

#### Green Hydrogen / Water Nexus study

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#### The Netherlands in South Africa

- Embassy in Pretoria and Consulate in Cape Town
- Focus on politics, trade, culture, human rights and education
- Economic sectors: agriculture, energy, water, green hydrogen, health care, critical minerals, circular economy, transport and logistics
- NL partner of the Just Energy Transition Partnership
  - Just Transition in Grootvlei
  - Green Hydrogen



# Netherlands' Green Hydrogen objectives

- Two objectives:
  - support the development of a Green Hydrogen Economy in South Africa and Namibia
  - Ensure energy security in the Netherlands
- Addressing societal challenges:
  - Climate mitigation  $\rightarrow$  move away from coal to clean energy
  - Employment and skills  $\rightarrow$  create jobs
  - Inclusion  $\rightarrow$  focus on women, youth and marginalised groups
  - Economy  $\rightarrow$  stimulate local economic growth
  - Water  $\rightarrow$  address water scarcity and access to water
  - Infrastructure  $\rightarrow$  development of large scale infrastructure
- While also strengthening trade and investment relations between NL and South Africa and Namibia and create opportunities for greening European economy



# Water / Green Hydrogen nexus

- South Africa is classified as a water-stressed country
- Rainfall unevenly distributed and seasonal rainfall
- According to the National Water and Sanitation Masterplan, South Africa will face a 17% water deficit by 2030
- Over 3 million South Africans lack access to reliable water sources
- Green Hydrogen production requires clean water:
  - 1 kg of green hydrogen requires 9 litres of purified water
  - But in reality this is about 18-24 litres of water
- Competition for water?



# Study Green Hydrogen / Water Nexus

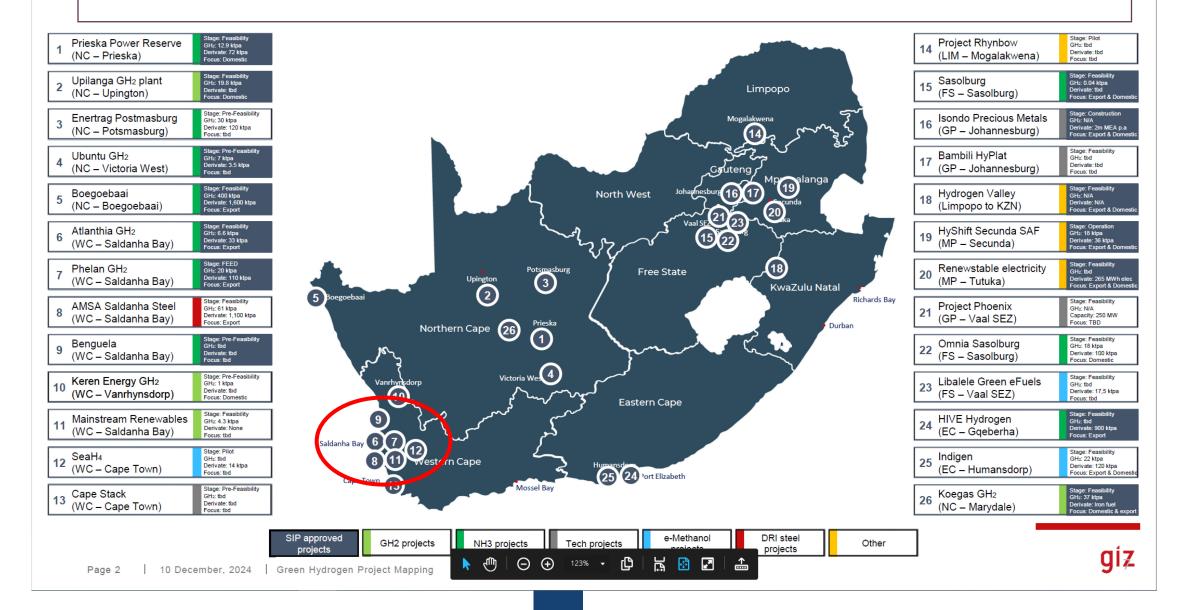
- Green Hydrogen cannot compete with other water uses
- Study to look at alternative water sources: desalination, waste water or mine water
- Business Development study in 3 parts:
  - Opportunities in South Africa  $\rightarrow$  Talbot
  - Opportunities in Namibia → Motsi Technologies
  - Match with Dutch knowledge, expertise and business interest  $\rightarrow$  NWP
- Result in concrete opportunities for project development
- Access to clean water for communities



#### Next steps after the study

- Identify partnership opportunities for NL and SA organisations
  - Such as desalination as part of shared infrastructure project
- Webinar for Dutch companies, March
- Workshop during African Green Hydrogen Summit, June
- Planning influential visit to the Netherlands

**What's next**: Check Interest in shared water infra in the Saldanha Hydrogen Hub Workshop during the SA Green Hydrogen Summit in Cape Town (11.June)





# Questions?

