In view of the announcements of commercial discoveries of oil and gas in the Orange Basin offshore Namibia in Q1 of 2022, the revival of the long-awaited Kudu Gas Power Project and renewed interest in Namibia’s exploration acreage and related drilling campaigns, the Petrofund Board of Trustees has embarked on a strategy to ramp up the training of skills to support the further development of the petroleum industry; namely: appraisal, field development and eventual production of these economy transforming natural resources.

The Board of Trustees is therefore pleased to announce the availability of postgraduate petroleum sciences specialization scholarships for the year 2023, immediately required by the upstream petroleum industry to support the current activities in anticipation of the evolving stages of industry development.

1. **Available scholarships:**

The following scholarships are available to high performing and motivated Namibians who are already working in the oil and gas industry or have an interest to work in the oil and gas industry intending to undertake full-time studies in the following fields only:

1.1 **Postgraduate Scholarships (UNAM and RSA only) – January intake:**
   - MSc. Petroleum Geosciences

1.2 **Postgraduate (Overseas – September intake):**
   - MSc. Petrophysics
   - MSc. Carbon Management
   - MSc. Oil and gas management
   - MSc. Sustainability and Environmental Management
   - MSc. Subsurface Energy Systems
   - MSc. Decommissioning

1.3 **Requirements for postgraduate's scholarships:**
   - Namibian citizenship;
   - Relevant honors or undergraduate degree with an average pass of 60% and above;
   - Willingness to commence studies in January 2023 for the SADC region and in September 2023 for the overseas scholarships;
   - Pass relevant English tests where applicable;
   - Provide proof of admission for the desired course for the overseas scholarships;
   - Provide certified copies of all the required documents;
   - Complete a relevant on-line Petrofund scholarship application form on the website: www.petrofund.org/esas/

2. **Chevening/Petrofund Joint Scholarships (UK only):**

MSc. Postgraduate Scholarships below can also be applied through the Chevening/Petrofund Joint Scholarship program at the Chevening website: https://www.chevening.org/namibia/

   - MSc. Carbon Management
   - MSc. Oil and gas management
   - MSc. Sustainability and Environmental Management
   - MSc. Subsurface Energy Systems
   - MSc. Decommissioning
   - MSc. Process Safety
   - MSc. Drilling and Well Engineering

Applications for Petrofund Scholarships must be submitted through the Petrofund website - www.petrofund.org/esas/ while applications for Chevening/Petrofund joint scholarships must be submitted through the Chevening website: https://www.chevening.org/namibia/

Applicants are reminded that applications for courses other than those mentioned herein will not be considered.

3. **Important information for applicants:**

   - Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted and invited for oral interviews on dates that will be communicated to the applicants;
   - No scholarship application will be considered unless completed online at the website - www.petrofund.org/esas/ for Petrofund Scholarships or https://www.chevening.org/namibia/ for the Chevening/Petrofund scholarships.
   - Petrofund will provide information about universities that offer the advertised programs upon request.

4. **Enquiries:**

All enquiries should be forwarded to the Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Elizabeth Shimwafeni; Tel: +264 61 400 443; E-mail: eshimwafeni@namcor.com.na

5. **Deadline for completing and submission of online application forms:**

The closing date for submission of Petrofund Scholarships is Monday, 31st October 2022 @ 24:00 hours while the closing date for submission of Chevening/Petrofund joint scholarships applications is Tuesday, 1st November 2022 @12:00 pm GMT (midday UK time).