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## **PRESS RELEASE**

**Public Dialogue “The NEEEF bill is it a vital tool to address Workers Co-Ownership within the Namibian Economy?”**

**23 February 2017, 18h00 – GZ Function Centre**

### **Speakers**

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Media reports that the New Equitable Economic Empowerment Framework (NEEEF) is one of the tools which is used by the Government of Namibia to address poverty, promote equitable, inclusive and shared economic development, to narrow income disparities between the rich and poor over the next 25 years - from 2011 to 2036.

NEEEF consist of policies designed to restructure the private business sector through empowerment pillars that are aimed at addressing a variety of needs of the previously disadvantaged persons. These empowerment pillars include ownership, management, control and employment equity, human resources and skills development, entrepreneurship development, marketing and access to finance, community investment, as well as technology and innovation.

According to the media, government expects all businesses to proactively embrace the national transformation framework and participate wholeheartedly in its implementation. The NEEEF recognises that there may be differences in approach between the different sectors of the economy due to their differences in approach between the different sectors of the economy due to their different characteristics and strategic importance.

It is against this background that the Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung in partnership with Trade Union Congress of Namibia has the honour you to share and exchange views on the subject matter.

Due to limited seats, we kindly urge participants to confirm attendance in advance with **Ms. Cheryl Kahambea at [office@fesnam.org.na](mailto:office@fesnam.org.na)/Tel 061 417 500**