

Biodiversity and Conservation

BioProducts Advancement Network South Africa (BioPANZA)



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BioPANZA is a coordinating network which blends partnerships to optimise development and enhance growth in the biotrade and bioprospecting sector.

BioPANZA	 Client contact: 80 % online + 20 % face-to-face Interactive Website/Email/Instagram Leverage existing public resources
Virtual	• 3 years
BioPANZA	 If still public lead, BioPANZA is legislated as a legal body. If not, the sector will determine legal status. 1-4 years
legal	
BioPANZA	 BioPANZA offices established + online presence enhanced. Client contact: 50 % online + 50 % face to face.
office	

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INITIATIVES - BIOPANZA- BIO PRODUCTS ADVANCEMENT NETWORK SOUTH AFRICA

BioPANZA will close these gaps and coordinate the sector to address the innovation chasm



- Link and officiate existing players in the sector.
- 2. Collaboratively create change.
- Collaboratively
 identify and
 resolve gaps in
 the sector.

BioPANZA Virtual – linked to Operation Phakisa Biodiversity Economy



1. Operational Model

- Develop and Approve a network Operational Model.
- Bring potential members on board.

2. Baseline

- Conduct baseline studies on the sector.
- Develop a status quothrough gap analysis.

3. Implementation

- Facilitate/ drive the implementation of the 3-ftplan.
- Monitoring and Evaluation.

BioPANZA OPERATIONAL MODEL: PUBLIC-PRIVATE SECTOR COLLABORATION



BioPANZA PUBLIC-PRIVATE SECTOR COORDINATION AND COLLABORATION Proposed Operational Model





Chairman Secretariat

Action Group Members

- Industry Representative
- Public Sector
- SOE

BioPANZA Implementation

Clusters

- BioPANZA@Finance
- BioPANZA@Market
- BioPANZA@Innovation
- BioPANZA@Policy
- BioPANZA@Supply
- BioPANZA@Network



- Entrepreneurs
- Communities/ CPAs/ Cooperatives/ community basedorganisation
- Incubators
- Councils/ Associations

Clientele

- Approaches the network through the Secretariat.
- Clients may also be identified by members of the network.
- Selection/ approval Criteria to be developed and approved.
- Short turn time for responses to requests.



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Objectives:

- Blend resources from various organisations to unlock and enhance local value addition in the biotrade/bioprospecting sector.
- Conceptualise and establish a Bioprospecting/Biotrade Sector Fund targeted to address the needs of Southern African SMMEs

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Mechanism offerings:

- For new entrants/start-up/up-scalling in the sector.
- Quick method to identify funders and deals with or without diverse funding needs;
- Quick method to link funders with deals.
- Funder is accountable for area of funding in deal.
- Zero cash exchanged in cluster, instead, linking agreements finalised within the cluster.
- Deal does not loose equity.
- No legal implications to cluster

Cluster Functions:

Blended Finance

Blended finance implies the mixing of funds (private and public) through a common investment deal, with each party using their expertise in a complementary way.

Crowd Funding

Crowdfunding is the practice of funding a project or venture by raising small amounts of money from a large number of people, typically via the Internet.

https://www.thundafund.com/

Is simply a platform for the linking of funder(s) and deal owners which may or may not have diverse funding needs as a start-up or upscaling enterprise.

Process (Pilot):

1) **Identify the deal** (4 per annum)

Call for deals conducted at the start of a quarter on BioPANZA website. Finance cluster evaluate deals and selects 1 deal per quarter to identify funding.

Action: Criteria to select deal must be developed.

2) Identify funders

Secure funding depending on the mechanism to blend complimentary funding for the deal (if the deal has various funding needs). (Funding network-Public and Private (CSI)) Action: Funding network needs to be established and officiated

3) Finalise the Agreement (4 per annum)

Cluster to finalise the agreement between deal owner and funder(s). Due diligence to be completed between the funder(s) and deal owner. Action: Agreement needs to be drafted

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Proposed Percentage of Fund

Component	Purpose Fu	nd
Commersialisation funding	 Financial assistance to purchase plant machinery and equipment required for commercialisation or for outsourced production Funding of hubs or shared processing facilities to support the natural products Provision for capital expenditure, working capital and operational costs The latter could include the cost of setting up a distribution hub in the export market, to reduce costs and be more competitive, costs to overcome regulatory and market access/growth hurdles, such as PIFs and efficacy tests. It should also cover salary cost to appoint new staff, to improve systems and procedures and the cost to develop marketing material/social platforms/online sales, as well as training. 	■ 70% of Funding
Product and Process Development and Business Support	 Technical assistance for natural product crop development and/or bioprospecting Development and commercialization of competitive preprocesses technologies. and quality assurance e.g. setting up HACCP/GMP/GlobalGap certification and other certification to address other markets such as kosher/Halal. Laboratory tests to do claim tests, sample testing, obtain quality data sheets of raw materials and finished goods, safety and efficacy data, etc. Purchase of equipment is support of pre-commercial product and process development (lab equipment, pilot plants) Support to test and launch products into new markets Support to reduce business risk and to facilitate access to finance, such as registration of IP and Trademarks or the development of a business plan, Assistance to SME's to address ABS compliance issues and regulatory challenges and barriers and obtain the necessary permits Provision of specific business support to SME's whether financial, technical or marketing, including training Acquiring/improving systems: (cybersecurity, IT, certification, CRM – customer relationship management, financial, etc.) 	 30% of the funding

The fund will be made up of blended finance such that concessionary pricing can apply

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