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Africa's first full-stack hydrogen hub powers up in Namibia – [ESI Africa]
20 August 2026

Namibia is demonstrating what is possible in Africa's energy transition with the continent's first fully integrated green hydrogen facility.
The CMB.TECH Namibia facility in Walvis Bay brings together solar power generation, green hydrogen production, and energy storage in a single operational ecosystem, demonstrating how clean energy can be produced at industrial scale while supporting industrial decarbonisation and long-term energy resilience.

Green hydrogen fund targets S.Africa's energy transition - [CNBC Africa]
6 August 2026

Southern Africa's green energy transition has gotten a R3 billion boost. This, as Climate Fund Managers and the Public Investment Corporation; reached the successful first close, of the SA-H2 Fund. The blended finance facility channels investment, to large-scale infrastructure projects, across the green hydrogen value chain. Joining CNBC Africa to unpack, that development; is Lucky Pane, Head of Research and Innovation at the PIC.

Namibia Secures $3.6 Million to Advance Green Fertilizer Production for Local Market – [Ecofin Agency]

Namibia's Dâures Green Fertiliser project has secured up to $3.6 million in development funding as it advances plans to produce fertilizer for the domestic market, an approach that contrasts with the export focus of most announced low-carbon ammonia capacity in Africa.

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Africa green hydrogen pipeline still awaits its first gigawatt-scale investment decision - Energy News Network
18 August 2026

Not one gigawatt-scale green hydrogen project in Africa has taken a final investment decision. The most advanced is Coega Green Ammonia near Nelson Mandela Bay, led by Hive Hydrogen South Africa, which targets front-end engineering and design in the third quarter of this year, a decision by the third quarter of 2027, and commercial operation in late 2029 or 2030.

South Africa's $5.8-billion green hydrogen-ammonia project is 'going really well – Mining Weekly
18 August 2026

– The $5.8-billion green hydrogen-ammonia project in South Africa's Nelson Mandela Bay has been a hard slog but there is light at the end of the tunnel.

South Africa's SA-H2 Green Hydrogen Fund Closes R3-Billion With Pension Money – The Rio Times
7 August 2026

The SA-H2 green hydrogen fund, managed by Climate Fund Managers, announced a first close of R3-billion (about US$182 million) on 6 August 2026. The money came from five committers: the European Commission through its Global Gateway strategy, the Dutch state investor Invest International, the Public Investment Corporation (PIC) on behalf of the Government Employees Pension Fund, Sanlam Life Insurance and the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC). The Development Bank of Southern Africa also supports the fund.

The European Union's push to build a hydrogen-based economyr – LinkedIn
13 Aug 2026

The European Union's push to build a hydrogen-based economy is raising concerns that it could divert solar and wind investment away from Africa, even as many African countries are still working to develop their own renewable energy sectors.
Africa's abundant solar and wind resources make it an attractive target for European companies chasing renewable power for their hydrogen ambitions, but analysts warn large-scale export of that energy to Europe could leave local needs unmet in countries that already lack reliable, affordable electricity.