

Call for Exhibitors: Circular Innovation Showcase at the AAUN Conference

Theme: Circular Economies for Inclusive and Sustainable Futures

2026 AAUN Africa Forum | 08–11 June 2026 | Nelson Mandela University

As part of the 2026 AAUN Africa Forum, Nelson Mandela University will host a Circular Innovation Showcase to spotlight cutting-edge innovations that embody circular economy principles across sectors and disciplines. We invite universities, start-ups, community organisations, designers, researchers, entrepreneurs, government departments, and public–private initiatives to exhibit the following:

- Prototypes of circular products or materials
- Interactive demonstrations or process displays
- Immersive or visual exhibitions (including VR) showcasing CE practices
- Art, fashion, and design installations rooted in circular principles
- Tools, services, or research outputs that advance circularity in Africa and/or Australia

Why Exhibit?

- Visibility among continental and global thought leaders, academics, and policymakers
- Opportunities for collaboration across sectors and institutions
- Demonstration of innovation and impact in circular economy transitions
- Amplification of creative and community-based solutions aligned to CE principles

Submission Guidelines

Deadline: 13 April 2026

Submission Requirements:

- A 250-word description of your exhibition
- Any setup or technical requirements
- Contact name, affiliation, and details

Shortlisted exhibitors will be notified and provided with detailed logistics and support for showcasing their work at the forum.

Queries? Contact the AAUN Africa Forum Secretariat at sussy.munialo@up.ac.za