

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
- Email submissions to: sussy.munialo@up.ac.za

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