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NCRST hosts a Quiz Night at the National Science Fair

The National Commission on Research, Science and Technology (NCRST) in partnership with Nampower, hosted the first ever Quiz Night at the Nampower National Science Fair 2014. The Quiz Night, which took place on Wednesday, 10 September at the SKW Hall in Windhoek, was aimed at demonstrating that science, engineering and technology underpin our everyday activities and to demystify popular misconceptions that science cannot be fun; and to create a new mind set about engineering, science and technology.

Local radio personality Josy facilitated the quiz as the Quiz Master and put competing learners through their paces as they thrashed their way through a series of tough science-related questions. The competition was a series of knock-out rounds comprised of learners from each region, competing in four different categories.

The winning team from the Erongo Region, consisting of Maurice Hinterholzer, Tiffany Wittmann, Eusebio Omar van Reenen and Johannes Benhard, proved to be the overall winners and walked away with book vouchers, promotional items and hampers, while the second runner-up was the Zambezi team.

“Through initiatives like the Quiz Night we promote science and technology to the public, giving them an eye-opener to the world of science. People seemed very amazed by what science actually is; that it’s not necessarily that boring and an abstract subject which they may have experienced in school. There is a need for people to touch, feel and experience science, to take apart and build, to test and to experience what fun science could really be, and we look forward to the Quiz Night next year again”, said Ms Angelique Philander, Manager: Human and Institutional Development, Science Promotion at the National Commission on Research, Science and Technology.

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