

## In Memoriam

### Obituary for the death of **Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa**

**Farewell to Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa.  
Patron of Pinocchio für Afrikas Kinder e. V.  
and Co-initiator of partnership project  
„Queens Community Kindergarten Omhedi, Royal Palace“  
Senior Headman as Omhedi District in the  
Oukwanyama Traditional Authority, Ohangwena Region**



In the early hours of 1 September 2023, I received a call from Elias Ndemuweda, who informed me of the sad news that his grandfather, Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa had passed away in Ongwediva, Namibia.





Since 2009, when I first met and got to know Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa, we had developed a deep friendship which resulted in a wonderful co-operation and partnership with our NGO, Pinocchio für Afrikas Kinder e.V. Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa became the patron of our first large Kindergarten project in Omhedi, in Namibias Ohangwena Region.



At that time, Matheus Shikongo, Mayor of Windhoek (Namibia), and Stephan Böhme, Mayor of Porta Westfalica (Germany) were the patrons of our association in Namibia und Germany. After Mayor Shikongo left office, Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa took over the patronage of our projects in Namibia.



I am deeply saddened by the news that Ambassador. T. Hishongwa passed away. Until his death he worked tirelessly with a big heart for the people of Namibia. Supporting and helping them was part of his unique life's work.

He wanted to provide for a better education for Namibia's children to enable them to have a more promising future. Pinocchio für Afrikas Kinder e.V. proudly supported him with great commitment and joy in Omhedi Village at the Royal Palace.



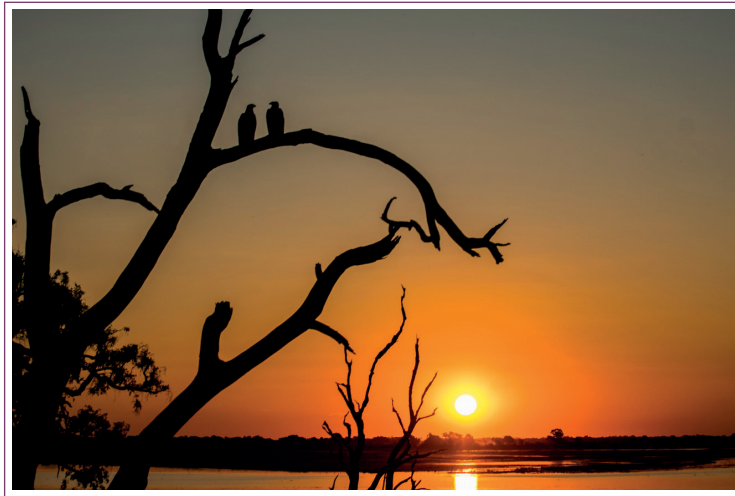
As Ambassador Hadino always said to me.....



QUOTE:

*„Birgitta, the children are our future, we have to support them. Namibia, our free and beautiful country, needs well educated children – we want to work for that, get involved – with all our strength and heart.“*





We are grateful that Ambassador Hishongwa's grandson Elias Ndemuweda continues to support us professionally, so we can hopefully soon hand over the construction project to the local people, the Omhedi community under the leadership of the Oukwanyama Traditional Authority. In the spirit of Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa, PINOCCHIO NGO will continue to pave the way for the Omhedi children to get a better education.

Ambassador Hishongwa will always have a place in our heart. I am certain he will proudly look down from heaven on „The Queens Community Kindergarten Project with Kindergarten, Extension Preschool and Teachers'Accommodation“ which we dedicate to him and his cause.





In loving memory of Ambassador Hadino T. Hishongwa – a friend and partner in improving the lives of Namibia's children.

*May his soul rest in eternal peace.*



My heartfelt condolences to his wife Esther, children, grandchildren and entire family.

*Brigit Kieß-Kundlenke*

Chairperson – Pinocchio für Afrikas Kinder e. V.

