

# SADC TFCA Network: A Recap

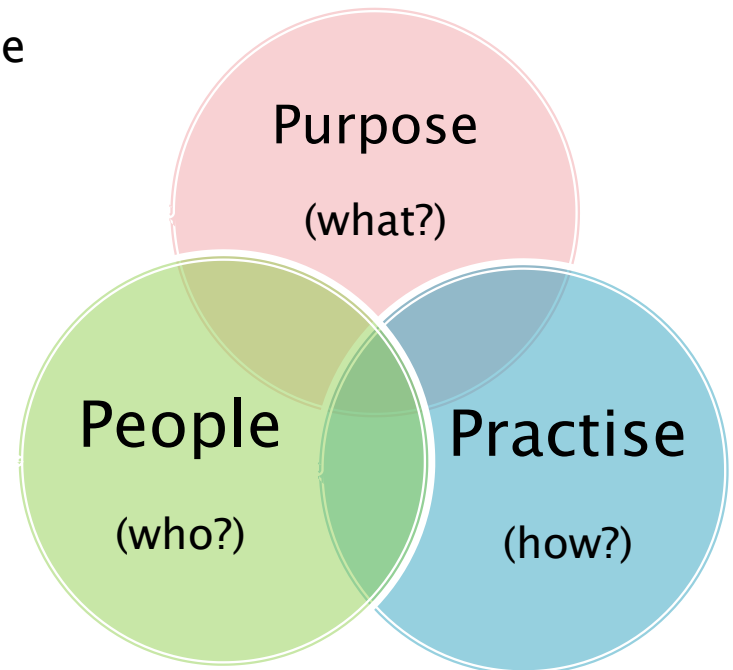


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# “Network”

- ▶ A form of cooperation
- ▶ Group of people connecting
- ▶ Guided by a common purpose
- ▶ Other forms exist
- ▶ Networks characterised by being:
  - more loose, open & fluid with larger membership
  - represent interests, agendas & resources of organisations
  - more topic & interest oriented forms
- ▶ The form is just a tool – not the goal
- ▶ Name isn't as important as the purpose, the people & the practise
- ▶ End goal is to see the lessons learnt within the network, applied outside
- ▶ Has the cooperation added value? – measure & evaluate
- ▶ Diversity within communities make them stronger – heterogeneity is better
- ▶ These forms of cooperation are live, dynamic and evolving
- ▶ Experiment, learn, improve & iterate – ~

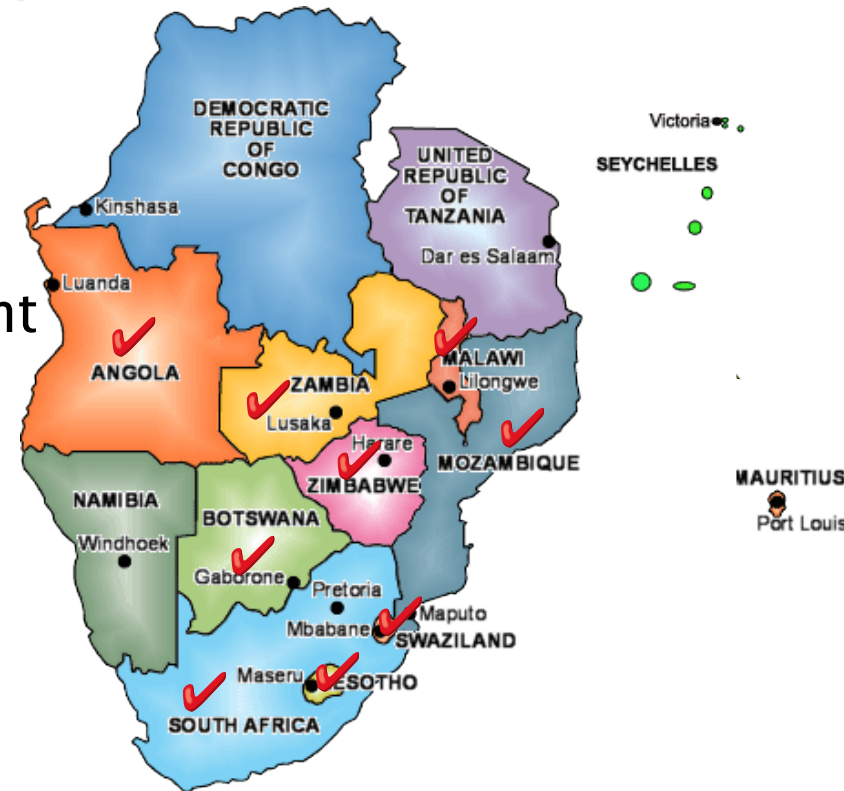
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# Inception Workshop

25–26 September, Johannesburg, RSA

- ▶ Inspired by the SADC TFCA Programme (2013):
  - Component 4: Establishment of Data and Knowledge Management Systems
  - Information exchange, learning and innovation network which facilitates the gathering, processing and dissemination of TFCA related information
- ▶ Attended by 9 SADC MS



# Common Challenges identified:

1. Developing a cross sectoral approach to TFCA development – nationally and regionally
2. Effective governance of TFCA at the level of
  - Institutions
  - Policies & legislation
3. Sustainable financing mechanisms for TFCA
4. Enhancing community benefits and capacity development
5. Demonstrating the value of TFCA at the local, national and regional levels



# Themes most relevant to TFCA development:

1. Governance
  2. Legal provision
  3. Policy harmonisation
  4. Cross border law enforcement
  5. Conservation management
  6. Tourism development
  7. Community involvement
  8. Benefit sharing
  9. Sustainable financing
  10. Research
  11. Monitoring and Evaluation
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# Value Added of Network for SADC MS

- ▶ Finding common solutions to common challenges
- ▶ Sharing experiences
- ▶ Developing a regional repository of TFCA related information
- ▶ Enabling peer review and feedback
- ▶ Developing linkages with TFCA stakeholder groups
- ▶ Strengthening collaboration and relationships
- ▶ Conducting field visits to enhance understanding of local contexts
- ▶ Facilitating empowerment at the level of the TFCA



# Purpose of SADC TFCA Network:

*To overcome TFCA challenges through shared learning, knowledge management and collaboration*



# Membership & Governance:

**Core Membership** of the network shall be drawn from:

- ▶ National level: TFCFA Focal Points/Nat'l Coordinators
- ▶ Local level : Agency Focal Points
- ▶ Regional level: TFCFA Int'l Coordinators/Secs
- ▶ SADC Secretariat

3–5 nominees from each SADC MS

**Extended Membership** from other stakeholder groups on **invitational basis**

**Champions** to drive both TFCFA development and network activities

**Steering Committee** to provide strategic guidance & report & advise SADC TC on Wildlife on key recommendations & network activities

- ▶ Malawi: Sam Nyanyale
- ▶ Zimbabwe: Alec Dangare
- ▶ Mozambique: Afonso Madope
- ▶ SADC Secretariat: Bartolomeu Soto



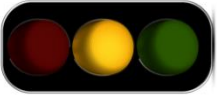
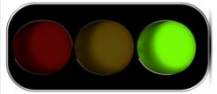
# Focus of activities for period Oct 2013–Mar 2014

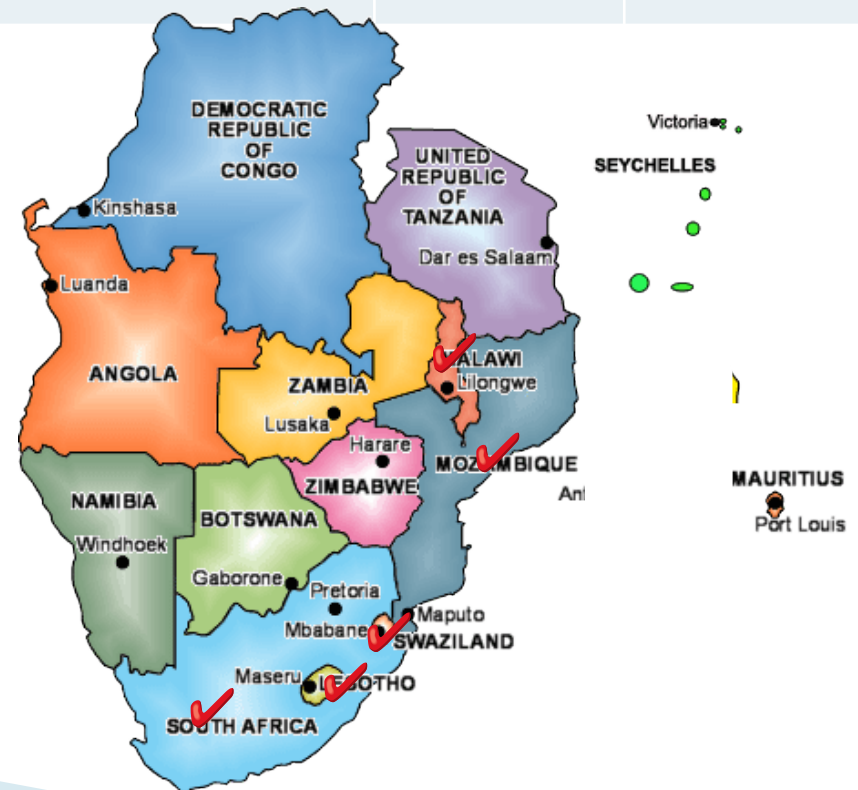
- ▶ Building relationships
- ▶ Data and content publishing
- ▶ Meetings



# Activity Plan


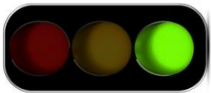
## 1. Immediate next steps

|  |   |                   |   |
|--|---|-------------------|---|
| Submission of names by each MS for Champions and core network members                                | Core membership and Champions for the network confirmed             | 30 September 2013 | MS<br>               |
| Presentation of TFCA network at upcoming SADC Ministers of Environment meeting in Maputo, Mozambique | Noting by the SADC TC and SADC Ministers of Wildlife of the network | 3 October 2013    | SADC Secretariat<br> |



# Activity Plan contd..

## 2. Organising further meetings (online & face-to-face) of core membership

|  |                             |                   |   |
|--|-----------------------------|-------------------|---|
| SC and network Champions to meet at the upcoming meeting in Maputo, Mozambique | First meeting of network SC | 30 September 2013 | SC<br> |
| Meeting of network core members  |                             | March 2014        | SC<br> |

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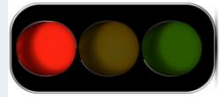
## 3. Data & content publishing through portal development

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|---|--|------------------|----------------|--|
| Portal Specification Document (cycle and approval by network members) | Approved Portal Specification Document       | 30 November 2013 | MindQ, GIZ, SC |  |
| Approval for funding for development of the portal                    | Funding made available for development       | 30 November 2013 | GIZ            |  |
| Brand and logo design for the network                                 | Approved brand and logo for the network      | 31 December 2013 | SC, Core       |  |
| Content submissions by core members                                   | Appropriate content submitted for the portal | 15 November 2013 | SC, Core       |  |
| Design and development of the public portal                           | Public portal available                      | 31 January 2014  | MindQ          |  |
| Design and development of the restricted portal                       | Restricted portal for core members           | 24 March 2014    | MindQ          |  |
| Handover and administrator training (self-sufficiency)                | Portal handed over and administrator trained | 31 March 2014    | MindQ          |  |

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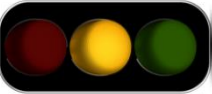
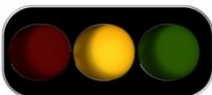
## 4. Building relationships amongst network members & other TFCA personnel

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| Conduct stakeholder mapping for each TFCA  | Stakeholder mapping document with comprehensive listing of stakeholders for each TFCA available | 31 December 2013 | National Focal Points, Consult.                 |
| Develop basic database of the stakeholders identified in 4.1 and core members  | Information database available  | 31 December 2013 | Consult.  |
| Encourage more joint activities at various levels of TFCAs (e.g. monitoring, research, law enforcement, cultural activities) | More opportunities for stakeholders to interact & develop relationships                         | Ongoing          | National Focal Points/<br>Coords<br>Focal Int'l |



# Activity Plan contd...

## 5. Other activities

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| Explore synergies with the IUCN BIOPAMA initiative                                       | Increased synergies with other initiatives     | 30 November 2013  | SADC Sec<br>     |
| Extended membership to the network considered for each MS and TFCA based on Activity 4.1 | Membership of network extended beyond the core | End of March 2014 | Core members<br> |

## Key recommendations from Inception Workshop

1. To fill the position of the SADC TFCA Focal Point within the SADC Secretariat as soon as possible.
2. To develop a specific SADC Protocol on TFCAs.

# Description Doc

## ▶ Comments received from:

### ◦ WWF

- An opportunity for the network to promote more of a bottom-up approach to TFCA development i.e. through engagement of communities
- Specify what “empowerment” entails in section 1.2.2
- Specify in section 1.2.3 that the network recognises and acknowledges that local communities WILL be engaged in the network and that require organisation, institutional strengthening and awareness raising in order to play their role effectively
- Include the issue of equity in the Section 1.2.3

### ◦ GLTP-AHEAD Network

- Financing of Champions should be considered
- No need for additional formal structures such as working groups, task teams etc.

# Workshop Report

- ▶ Comments received from:

- WWF:
- GLTP–AHEAD Network
- Lubombo

All incorporated into the current document

