

# PARTNERSHIP MEETING WITH REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES AND COMMISSIONS IN THE WIO REGION

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# SADC Member States



- ❖ SADC was established as a development coordinating conference (SADCC) in 1980 and transformed into Southern African Development Community (SADC) in 1992.
- ❖ It is an inter-governmental organization 16 Southern African [Member States](#), as of August 2017 Comoros is member of SADC.
- ❖ Combined Population of close to 300,000,000 Inhabitants



# The RISDP Priorities for 2015-2020

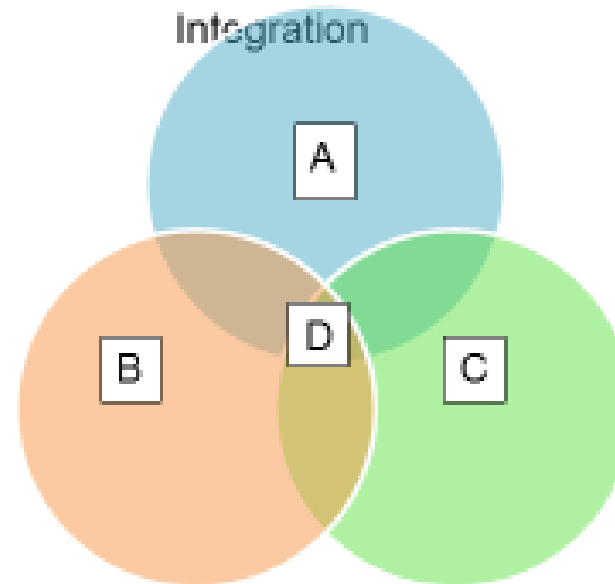


# Synergies and Interrelationships

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Priority A:  
Industrial  
Development &  
Market  
Integration



Priority B:  
Infrastructure in  
support of  
regional  
integration

Priority C:  
Peace and  
security  
cooperation

Priority D: Special programmes of regional dimension



# Environment and Climate Change

The overall goal of this intervention area is to ensure **equitable** and **sustainable** use of the environment for the benefit of present and future generations. Sustainable management of environment also supports the **Climate Change, Green and Blue Economic Strategies**.



# SADC Protocols and Strategies on Ocean Governance

- **Dedicated Blue Economy Strategy**
  - Development of a Blue Economy Strategy is currently underway
- **Overarching Frameworks**
  - SADC Industrialisation Strategy and Roadmap (2015) and related Action Plan (2017)
  - SADC Regional Indicative Strategic Development Plan 2005-2015 (RISDP) (adopted in 2003)
  - Revised RISDP 2015-2020 (adopted in 2015)



# SADC Protocols and Strategies on Ocean Governance

- **Thematic / Sectoral protocols and strategies**
  - Protocol on Fisheries (2001)
  - Statement of Commitment by SADC Ministers Responsible for Marine Fisheries on Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing (2008)
  - Regional Plan of Action for IUU (2008)
  - Regional Aquaculture Strategy and Action Plan 2016-2026 (2016)



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- **Thematic / Sectoral protocols and strategies**
  - Protocol on Forestry (2002)
  - Protocol on Tourism Development (1998).
  - Protocol on Transport, Communications and Meteorology (1996)
  - Transport Sector Plan, developed as part of the Regional Infrastructure Development Master Plan (2012)
  - SADC Protocol on Wildlife Conservation and Law Enforcement (1999)





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- **Thematic / Sectoral protocols and strategies**
  - Protocol on Environmental Management for Sustainable Development (2014)
  - SADC Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan (2014)
  - Green Economy Strategy and Action Plan for Sustainable Development (2015)



# Programmatic interventions related to coastal and marine resource management

- SADC processes to support implementation of frameworks and protocols (Summit, Council of Ministers, sectoral Ministerial meetings)
- Tripartite Free Trade Area
- Regional Value Chains
- Integrated Institutional Capacity Building (IICB) Programme
- Task teams and workshops (e.g. natural gas, transfrontier conservation, fourth industrial revolution)



# Programmatic interventions related to coastal and marine resource management

## • Fisheries:

- IUU Task Force
- Regional Monitoring, Control and Surveillance Coordination Centre
- Collaborations (FAO, WWF, Stop Illegal Fishing and other partners)
- Various workshops and capacity building



# Partnerships

- Taking advantage of SADC's geographic position
- Connectivity as key theme
- SADC Blue Economy Strategy
- Conservation and benefit sharing
- SADC Green Economy Strategy
- Knowledge sharing across Southern African region
- Marine spatial planning and regional value chains / industrialisation, etc.
- MOU with UN Environment



# Opportunities

- Strategic geographical position of SADC
- Alignment of key strategies, frameworks and protocols with the objectives of the Nairobi Convention and major projects (WIOSAP, SAPPHIRE)
- Existing structures and processes (e.g. on IUU fishing or regional gas infrastructure)
- Political will



# Challenges

- Capacity
- Research and knowledge gaps
- 'Domestication' of policies, protocols and action plans
- Monitoring to support implementation of action plans and other commitments



# Future Direction

- Strengthened collaboration and joint implementation of programmes/initiatives
- Strengthened knowledge sharing
- Exploiting synergies in work programmes





# THANK YOU!

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