



Joint Focal Persons Coordination Meeting for WIOSAP and SAPPHIRE Projects

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The Western Indian Ocean Large Marine Ecosystems Strategic Action Programme Policy Harmonization and Institutional Reforms (WIO LME SAPPHERE) Project

Outline

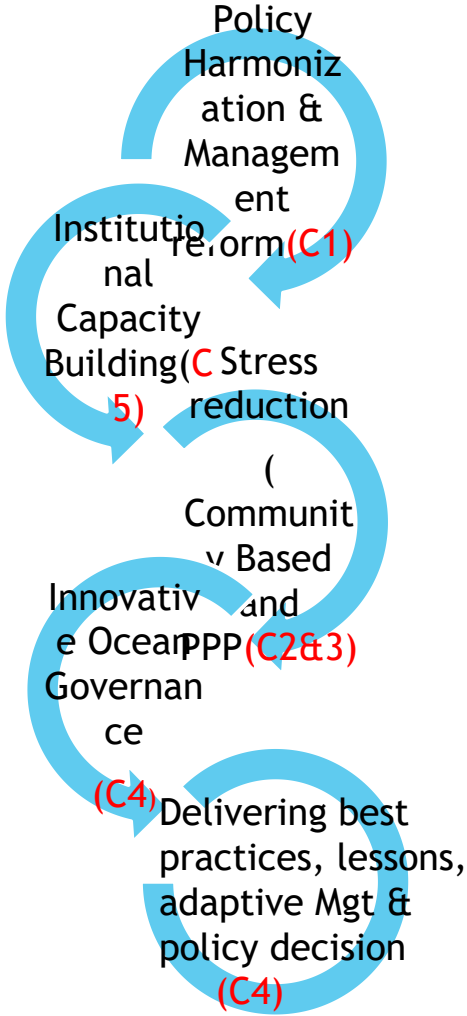
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- u Project Coordination Bodies(Structure)



Overview

- u The **overall Objectives**: to achieve effective long-term **ecosystem management** in the Western Indian Ocean LMEs in line with the Strategic Action Programme as endorsed by the participating countries.
- u **Component 1**: Supporting **Policy Harmonization and Management Reforms** towards improved ocean governance
- u **Component 2**: **Stress reduction** through **Community Engagement and Empowerment** in Sustainable Resources Management
- u **Component 3**: **Stress reduction** through **Private Sector/Industry** Commitment to transformations in their operations and management practices
- u **Component 4**: Delivering **best practices and lessons** through innovative ocean governance demonstration(particularly strengthening partnerships for management ABNJ)
Joint Management Area(JMA) Demonstration project - **Mauritius and Seychelles**(\$2.2m)
- u **Component 5**: **Capacity development** to realize improved ocean governance in the WIO region

SAPPHIRE Project Outcomes Inter-linkage: SAP Implementation



Support the **integration of ecosystem based management(EBM)** approach in to local economic development(LED) plans, national and regional policies, strategies and programmes including the Blue Economy in WIO LMEs



Blue Economy

Sharing Success Stories to Inspire Change



Progress

- **Project inception** workshop 16-17 Nov 2017
- **Project Steering Committee(PSC)** - countries assigned focal persons(including an alternate) who will serve as PSC member
- **PCU** Seychelles set up on progress
- Finance Officer(Nairobi) - shared with WIOSAP project
- Communication and Policy Officers(shared position with WIOSAP project)- recruitment process ongoing
- Project Admin Assistant(Seychelles) - recruitment process ongoing(UNDP)
- Nairobi Convention Secretariat team supporting both WIOSAP and SAPPHIRE implementation

Project Organization and Set up

- Establishment of Project Steering committee(PSC)
- **Frist PSC meeting** : agree on TOR and review and endorse 2019 AWP (March 2019)
- Discussion with participating countries and preparation of **2019 AWP**
- Presentation, discussion and endorsement of 2019 AWP by the PSC
- In collaboration with WIOSAP, (SWIOFC & SWIOFish) establish relevant **technical working group** or adopt the existing once
- **Identification of key partners and organize** discussion on possible partnership for the implementation of different components of the project(WIOMSA, WWF, Birdslife International, WIOSEA, IOTC, WOC, IUCN, academic and research institutions and etc.)
- **Regional Policy Steering Committee** and **STAP** meeting

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Fast Track Activities

1. Regional **Ecosystem Monitoring guideline** developed, adopted and implemented in selected 4 communities/countries
Support harmonization of national monitoring activities with regional monitoring programme
2. Develop regional methodology/strategy for **Marine Spatial Planning(MSP)**
Stock taking → developing → launching → capacity building → pilot implementation in selected countries
3. Support countries to adopt regional and global standards for **marine water quality parameters and contaminants/pollutants** (technical and material/financial support: in collaboration with WIOSAP)
4. Support pilot studies/**valuation of ecosystem goods and services** and deliver cost-benefit analyses at both national and regional level(including relevant financial mechanisms such as **PES**)
5. Pilot demonstration projects on **ecosystem based management(EBM)** approach into the Local Economic Development (LED) plans and blue economy

AWP 2019 incorporates more activities including capacity building and trainings

Cross Cutting Thematic Areas for WIOSAP and SAPPHIRE

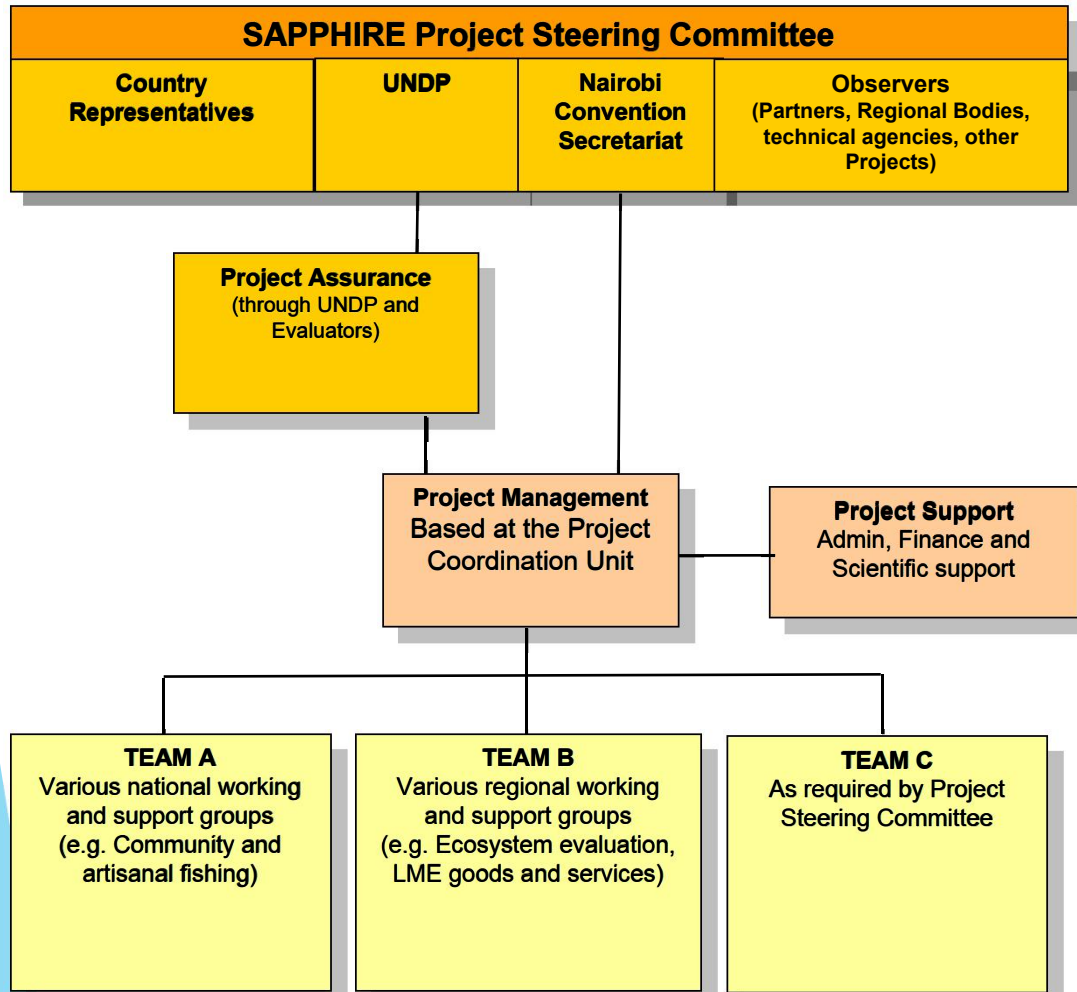
- u WIOSAP and SAPPHIRE projects will jointly plan and implement cross cutting activities across the two projects
 - (to ensure cost effectiveness, enhance wider impact and national level harmonization of different initiatives)
- u Marine spatial planning(MSP)
- u Adoption of regional/global standards for marine water quality parameters and contaminants/pollutants
- u Implementation of pilot community-based management approaches to stress reduction
- u Institutional capacity building
- u Ecosystem economic valuation(including PES)
- u Ecosystem monitoring and surveillance (promote science - policy interface)
- u Support scientific platforms

Project Coordination Bodies

No	Committee	Role and Responsibilities
1	Project Steering committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The highest decision-making body • Overall supervision and guide project activities
2	Regional SAP Implementation Policy Steering Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guide and support national and regional bodies/institutions for realignments and changes in legislation, policy and associated institutional and administrative arrangements in line with the SAP requirements
3	Regional SAP Scientific and Technical Advisory Panel (STAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The major body for ensuring delivery of the ecosystem monitoring programme • Capacity building and training programme • Advise on any strong trends in the scientific data that need fast action at the management level
4	National Intersectoral Committees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate different in country initiative that contribute to SAP implementation
5	National Technical Committees/Working Groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handle SAP technical and scientific issues and activities in-country

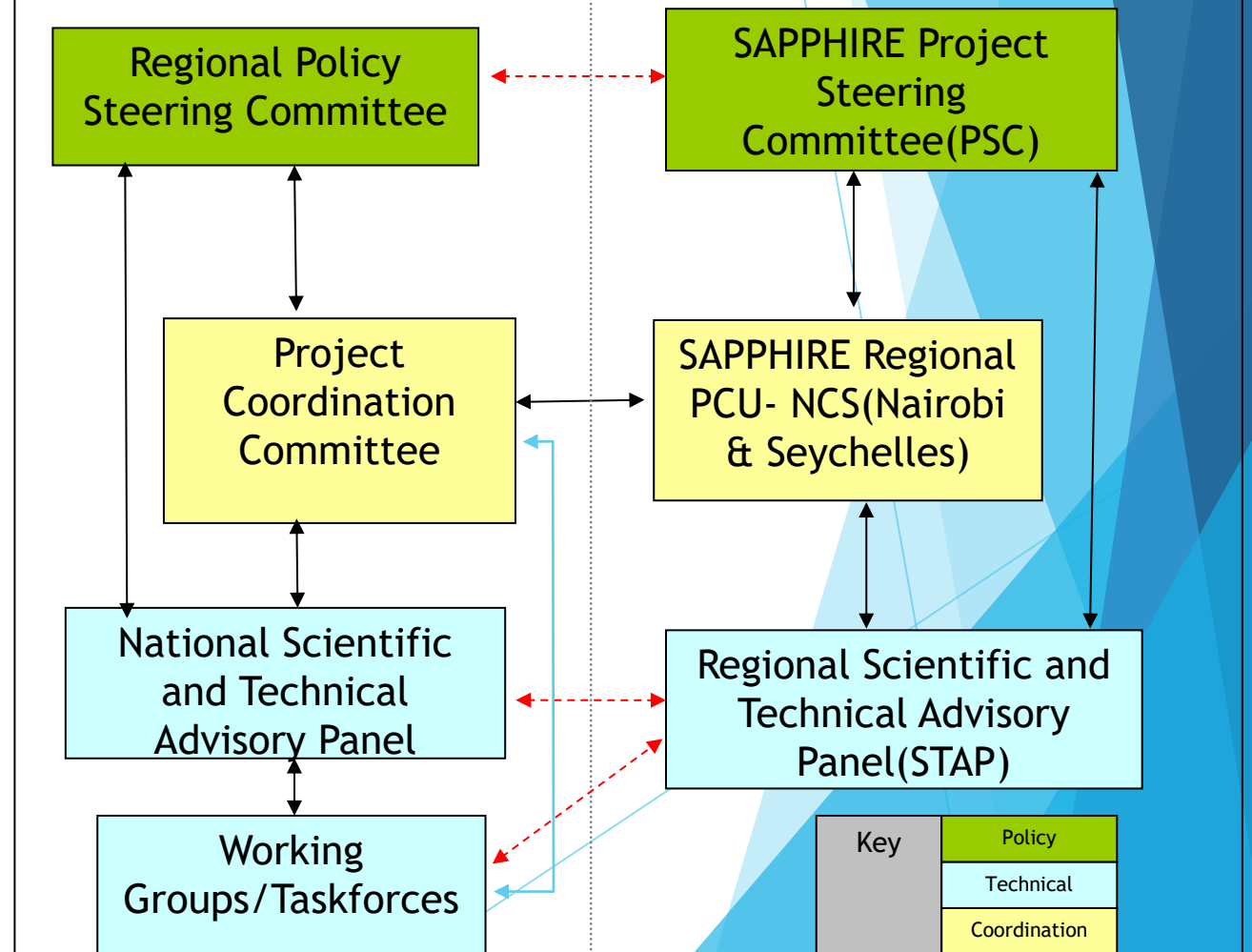
Proposed National and Regional Level Institutional Arrangements for SAPPHIRE Implementation

Project Management Structure - SAPPHIRE



Project Management Structure for SAPPHIRE

Regional and National level Committees and Working Groups



PART II

SAPPHIRE Demonstration Projects

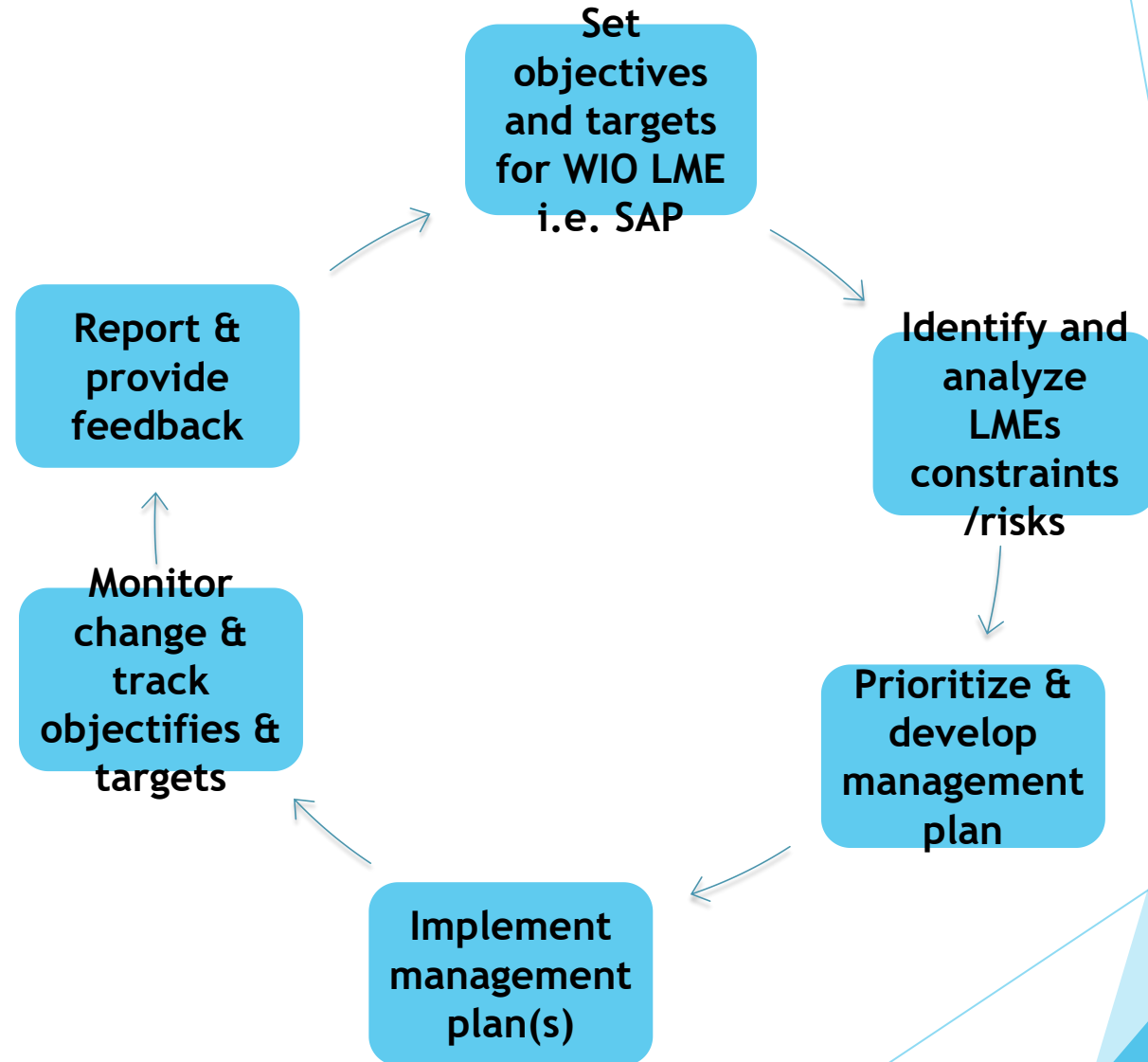


Introduction

- SAPPHIRE identified 14 demo projects to be implemented in selected countries through review and approval process by the PSC/Policy Steering Committee/STAP
- The overall objective is to scale up best practices and initiatives that contribute to SAP implementation in the participating counties
- Call for proposal will be send out to countries and relevant institution, technical committee will be established and review the proposals against the set criteria
- Throughout the demo projects implementation period;
 - Best Practice and lesson learned documentation for wider learning, scale up and replication
 - Policy brief will be prepared and shared(inform polices)
 - Adaptive management designed and implemented

Adaptive Management

AM: is a **process** for **managing uncertainty**, **incomplete information/knowledge** and **changing** and **dynamic natural systems** to **improve management responses**



Demonstration Projects

Component 1: Supporting Policy Harmonization and Management Reforms towards improved ocean governance

1.1. **Regional Ecosystem Monitoring** guideline adopted and implemented in selected sites-countries (approved by STAP)

(support harmonization of national monitoring activities with regional monitoring programme)

1.2. Support countries to adopt regional and global standards (e.g. as provided for by IMO Conventions and protocols) for **marine water quality parameters and contaminants/pollutants**

1.3. Support **pilot studies of ecosystem goods and services** and deliver cost-benefit analyses at both national and regional level (including relevant financial mechanisms such as PES)

1.4. Support **7 countries** (WIO LME) to implement **community-led participatory MSP** as best practice demonstration initiatives (joint planning with WIOSAP) project

Component 2: Stress Reduction through Community Engagement and Empowerment in Sustainable Resources Management



Demo Projects Cont.

Component 2: Stress Reduction through Community Engagement and Empowerment in Sustainable Resources Management

- 2.1. Promote integration of the ecosystem based management (EBM) approach into the Local Economic Development (LED) plans in selected demonstration communities - select LED plans developed during the ASCLME)
- 2.2. Stress reduction through ecosystem-based practices among artisanal and subsistence fisheries(4) communities will be selected: alternative livelihoods, capacity building and conflict resolution mechanism)
- 2.3. Community-led Artisanal Fisheries Management Plans developed and adopted
(incorporated in to the national plans)

Component 3: Stress Reduction through Private Sector/Industry Commitment to transformations in their operations and management practices



Demo Projects Cont.

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3.1. Development of the “Smart Ocean/Smart Industries” program as an International Ocean Science and Industry Platform(WOC)

- Develop stronger partnership with the private sector and maritime industries (particularly through the WOC) in order to reduce stress to the LMEs from their activities

3.2. Piloting of an ocean-industry initiative within the WIO LMEs (working closely with the WOC): The Private Sector “mainstreaming” LME approach in their everyday management practices and business activities (EQOs and SAP)

3.3. Support regional SEA to be conducted for the entire oil and gas development region (strong focus on the northern Mozambique Channel)

Demo Projects Cont.

Component 4. Delivering Best Practices and Lessons through Innovative Ocean Governance Demonstrations

- 4.1. Innovative management options for **Contiguous Adjacent High Seas Areas(CAHSAs)** and **ABNJ** within LMEs: support design and implementation of **Ecosystem Monitoring Strategy(EMS)**
- 4.2. Demonstrating innovative **ocean governance mechanisms** and delivering best practices and lessons for Extended Continental Shelf management within WIOLMEs (**JMA Demonstration project: Seychelles and Mauritius**)
- 4.3. **South Africa** intersectoral collaboration and management mechanisms demonstration initiative
- 4.4. Demonstrating Marine Spatial Planning within a Blue Economy framework in selected areas within participating countries(pilot integration of **MSP-LED-EBM-Blue Economy planning** in selected 4-5 communities) (**outcomes1,2&4**)



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