

# **BIOPAMA** priorities for **Eastern and Southern** Africa 2018-2023



From Knowledge to Action for a Protected Planet in Eastern and Southern Africa

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### What is BIOPAMA

The BIOPAMA partnership combines the protected areas and biodiversity conservation expertise of the IUCN with the scientific and information technology know-how of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission. The project will also be working in close collaboration with UN Environment World Conservation Monitoring Centre (UNEP-WCMC) to improve the capacity of ACP countries to collate, manage and analyse protected area data. In the Eastern and Southern African region, BIOPAMA works in 24 countries from the Horn of Africa to the Cape and including the Western Indian Ocean Islands

### Overall objective (2017-2023)

BIOPAMA aims at reinforcing the management and governance of protected and conserved areas in the 79 ACP countries through better use and monitoring of information and capacity development on management and governance.

This flyer shows a summary of the process for defining BIOPAMA priorities for the Eastern and Southern African region, including illustrative BIOPAMA activites, related to the identified priorities, for 2018-2023.

## **Process for defining BIOPAMA priorities**

Desktop review of National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (NBSAPs), regional strategies and other national commitments to implementing Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs)

Regional Inception Workshops for Eastern and Southern Africa held in 2018

### Southern Africa (14 countries) workshop

Government, intergovernmental and technical partners

### Eastern Africa (10 countries) workshop

Government, intergovernmental and technical partners

### MEAs to inform priority identification

### Government and intergovernmental participants identified:

- 1) Regional priorities in terms of protected area governance and equity (PAGE) and protected area management effectiveness (PAME); and
- 2) Capacity building and data needs related to these priorities

Technical partners identified potential areas for collaboration

**Aggregated results highlighted five focal areas** for BIOPAMA in terms of PAGE and PAME and related data and capacity needs



### List of acronyms:

ACP – African, Caribbean and Pacific

**BIOPAMA** – Biodiversity and Protected Areas Management

**COP** – Community of Practice

**EAC** – East African Community

ESA – Eastern and Southern Africa

**IGAD** – Intergovernmental Authority on Development

IOC - Indian Ocean Commission

**LEAP** – Law Enforcement and Anti-Poaching

MEAs - Multilateral Environmental Agreements

NBSAPs – National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans

**PAGE** – Protected Area Governance and Equity

**PAME** – Protected Area Management Effectiveness

**SADC** – Southern African Development Community

**TFCA** – Transfrontier Conservation Area

# Five focal areas based on regional inception workshops and consultation outputs Policy and legislation related to PAGE and PAME PAGE and PAME assessments (management planning and implementation)

### Illustrative activities for 2018-2023

**DATA COLLECTION:** Collect and analyse data on relevant policies and legislation in the region, as well as, where possible, implementation levels

**CAPACITY BUILDING:** Capacity building for policy development and revision, negotiations, management skills, engaging communities, etc.

**DATA COLLECTION AND CAPACITY BUILDING:** Protected area management category and governance type overviews and mapping; to use for capacity building in the region

**DATA COLLECTION AND CAPACITY BUILDING:** Using several pilot sites (marine and terrestrial) conduct Integrated Management Effectiveness Tool (IMET) assessments, support Social Assessments for Protected Areas (SAPA), manage protected area data and the World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA) and capacity building related to these

**IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT:** Training on SMART and other tools for PAME – linked to implementation of anti-poaching strategies below

**CAPACITY BUILDING:** Capacity building related to data collection, analysis, tools, reporting, development of policy briefs, etc. to inform management and policy

**CAPACITY BUILDING:** Strengthen PA staff capacity on planning, assessment, governance, monitoring, mapping and other technical skills, developing and adapting management plans and community engagement approaches

**CAPACITY BUILDING:** on negotiation skills, conflict resolution, managing partnerships, engaging stakeholders (stakeholder mapping, etc.), awareness raising, understanding contracts, communication, etc. - human and institutional capacity for protected area managers and local communities

**IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT**: Assisting with the implementation of the SADC LEAP strategy, and the EAC Anti-poaching Strategy and other related regional strategies

**COLLABORATION SUPPORT & IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT:** Ongoing support to SADC TFCA Network (data and capacity building) and sharing TFCA learnings across the ESA region

Innovative financing solutions and business capacity

**Practical action** 

**CAPACITY BUILDING:** Tourism concession trainings in Eastern and Southern Africa

**DATA COLLECTION AND CAPACITY BUILDING:** Research and data collection related to financing sources, revenue generation, visitation, etc.

**DATA COLLECTION AND CAPACITY BUILDING:** Research and capacity building related to tourism development in Southern Africa, with planned roll out to rest of the region

DATA COLLECTION AND CAPACITY BUILDING: Ecosystem services valuation and mapping

**Strengthening the integration of PAGE and PAME** into multiple sectors, relevant policies and across political boundaries

**COLLABORATION SUPPORT:** Ongoing engagement with SADC, IGAD, IOC and EAC to support mainstreaming and integration into multiple sectors, including contexts specifically related to transfrontier conservation areas

### About the Africa, Caribbean, Pacific Group of States

The African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP) is the largest trans-national intergovernmental organisation of developing countries in the international system, with 79 member countries from Africa, the Caribbean and the Pacific. Today, the main goal of the Group is to drive South-South solidarity and North-South cooperation for the sustainable development of ACP countries and their successful integration into the world economy.

www.acp.int

### About the European Union

The European Union is made up of 28 Member States who have decided to gradually link together their know-how, resources and destinies. Together, during a period of enlargement of 50 years, they have built a zone of stability, democracy and sustainable development whilst maintaining cultural diversity, tolerance and individual freedoms. The European Union is committed to sharing its achievements and its values with countries and peoples beyond its borders.

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### **About IUCN**

IUCN is a membership Union composed of both government and civil society organisations. It harnesses the experience, resources and reach of its more than 1,300 Member organisations and the input of more than 10,000 experts. IUCN is the global authority on the status of the natural world and the measures needed to safeguard it.

www.iucn.org

### About the Joint Research Centre and the European Commission

The European Commission (EC) is the executive body of the European Union (EU), which is the world's largest donor of official development assistance. As the in-house science service of the EC, the Joint Research Centre (JRC) provides EU policies with independent, evidence-based scientific and technical support, including policies and programmes at global level and specifically those focusing on the African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP).

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