



# SADC TFCA FINANCING FACILITY



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# Introduction

- A grant-making facility established to support development of TFCAS in the SADC region
- A culmination of a negotiation process involving the German Government (BMZ), SADC Secretariat and Member States to establish a regional fund for TFCAs.
- The Regional fund to be financed by various International Cooperating Partners (ICPs) in support of SADC TFCAs
- Establishment of the fund is well aligned to Component (2) of the SADC TFCA programme and other SADC Regional Policies and Protocols
- The initial phase of the FFs is funded by the German Government through KfW.

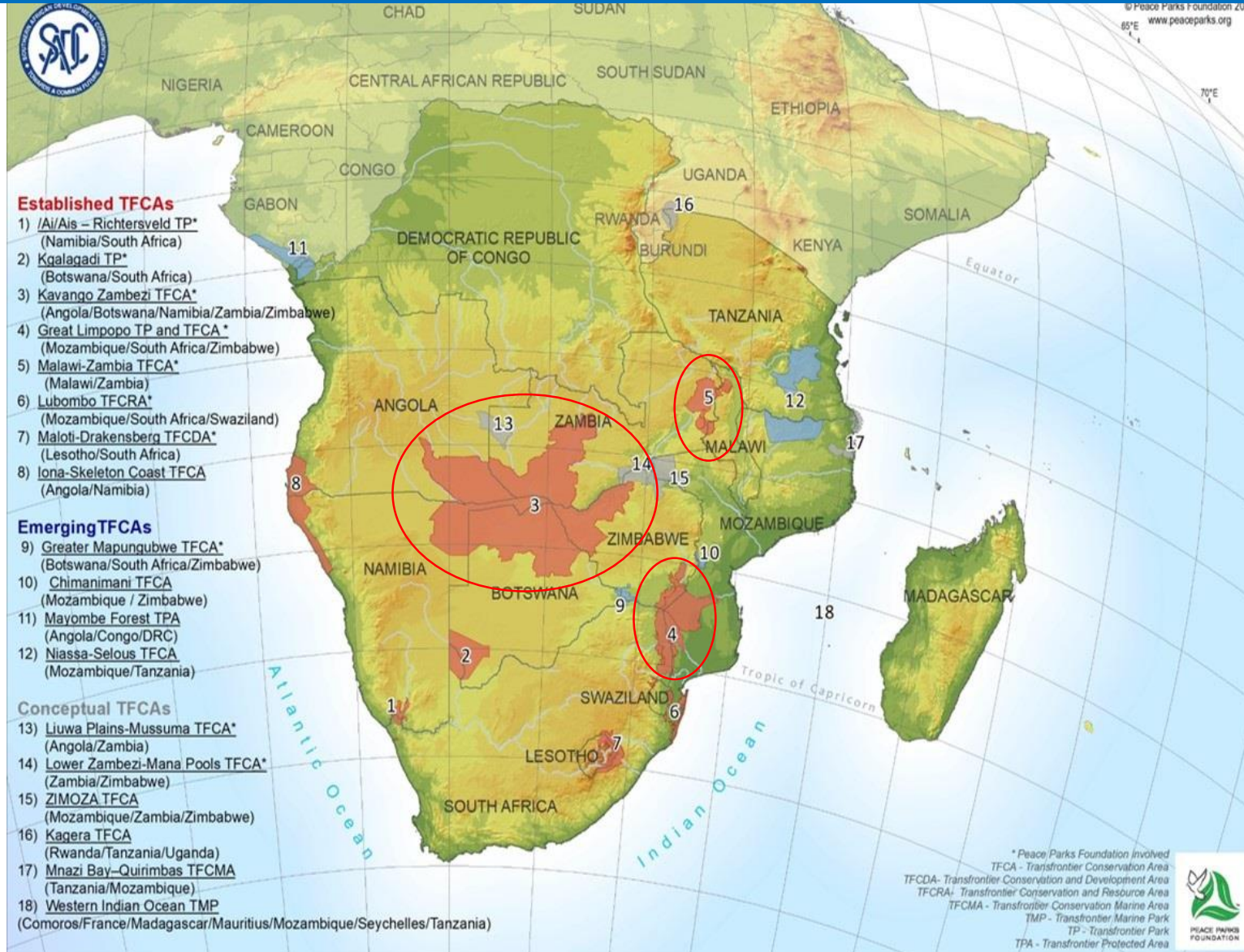
# Purpose of the TFCA Financing Facility

- To provide the basis for long-term and more sustainable investment in tangible measures that strengthen ecological, economic, cultural and institutional connectivity within SADC TFCAs.
- The intention is to leverage additional funds from various partners, including further commitment from Germany, in order to reach an operational funding volume of approximately EUR 100 million in the medium to long term.

# The SADC TFCA Financing Facility

- Initial phase of the project : 6 years (April 2020 – June 2026).
- Initial budget of €12m, with an additional commitment of €11m from KfW
- In the lifetime of the 6 years – it is anticipated that 10 - 20 grants will be awarded;
- The size of individual projects is expected to range between €300,000 - €3m in the form of large/medium/small grants – subject to approval by SC.
- A number of agreements were signed between SADC & German Government and between SADC & IUCN on the 5<sup>th</sup> November 2019; 17<sup>th</sup> of December 2019 and 3<sup>rd</sup> of July 2020 respectively - paved way for the Inception phase of the TFCA FF.

# Scope of the TFCA FF



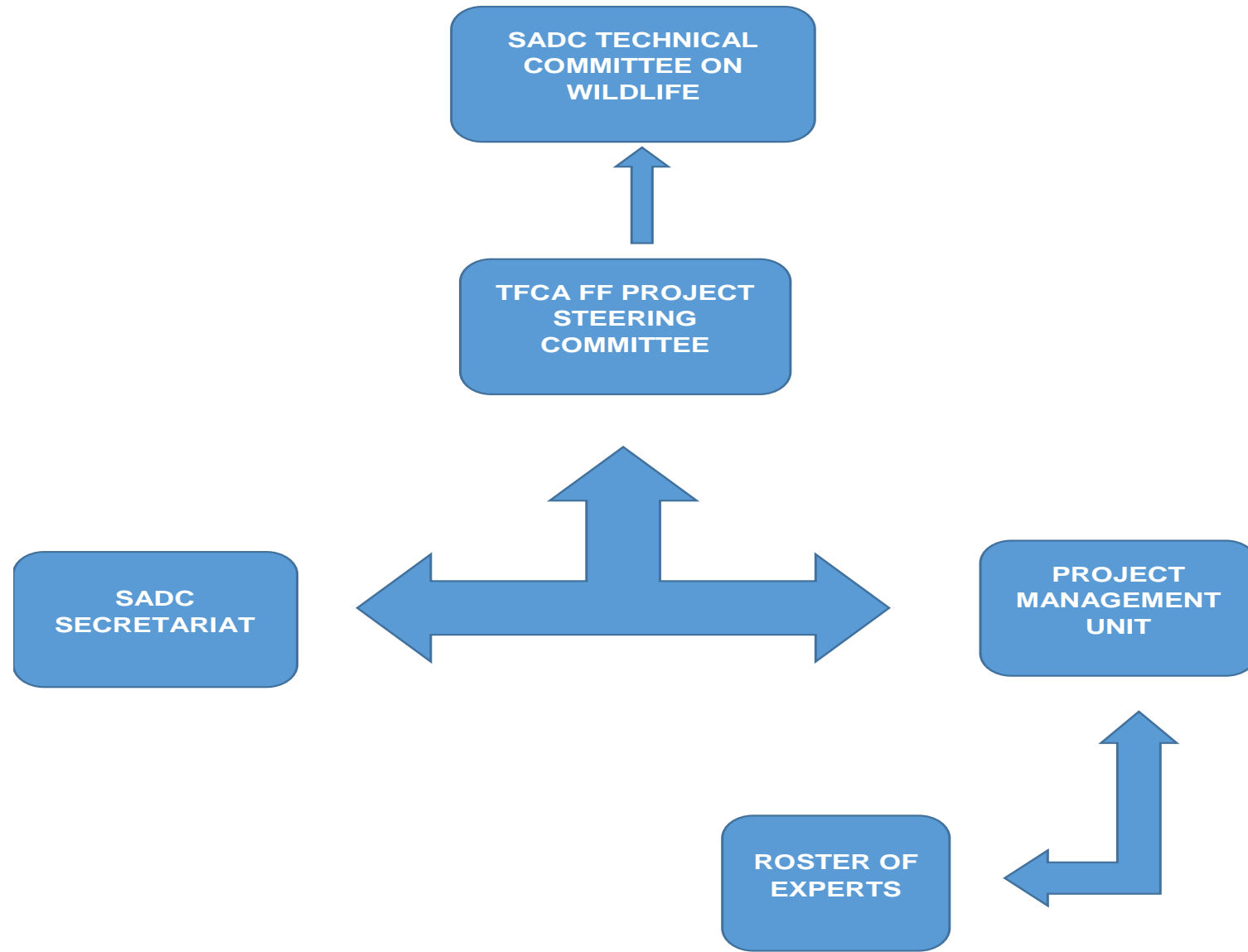
# Implementation Modalities

- IUCN Eastern & Southern Africa Regional Office (ESARO) is the Executing Agent for TFCA FF
- IUCN is setting up a PMU based in Pretoria, South Africa.
- A Steering Committee (SC) for the project is now in place (comprising of SADC TFCA Member States and ICPs)

Subject to further assessment of staffing needs and approval by the SC, the following positions are proposed for the PMU

- Team Leader
- Programme Officer – Grants
- Finance Officer
- ESIA Officer
- Administrator

# Project Governance Structure



# Inception Phase

- Expected to be 6-9 months
- The inception phase of the FF has seen initiation of a number of processes to put in place requisite systems for the awarding of the grants. These include:
  - Establishment of the PMU (staff recruitment);
  - Project Steering Committee now in place
  - Inception work plan & budget



# Key Project Mobilisation Steps

Summary of Key Inception Activities	TIMELINE						
	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Signing of Implementation Agreement (SADC&IUCN)							
Establishment of the Project Management Unit							
Steering Committee Inception Meeting							
Official launch of the TFCA Financing Facility							
Approval of Project Budgets by KfW; Funds disbursement from KfW to IUCN							
Development of Operational Manual							

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Develop a Branding & Communications Plan	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Procurement of ESMS consultancy	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Update Project Log frame			■	■	■		
Roster of Experts (identify required areas of expertise & appointment of experts)			■	■	■	■	■
Prepare launch of emergency relief call for proposals (in response to Covid-19)				■	■	■	■
Resource Mobilisation / Donor Coordination				■	■	■	■

# Next Steps

- Work plan yet to be approved by the Steering Committee at their inception meeting
- First call for proposals – anticipated to be published mid-2021 as a fast-tracking mechanism in response to the Covid-19 pandemic and mitigating its effects
- The call for proposals will be shared as widely i.e. SADC TFCA Network, SADC TFCA portal, TFCA websites, IUCN portals etc
- The FF PMU will build synergies with some of IUCN -managed grant-making facilities such as BIOPAMA Action Component and the Save Our Species Programme

# THANK YOU



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