

Transfrontier Conservation and Resource Area

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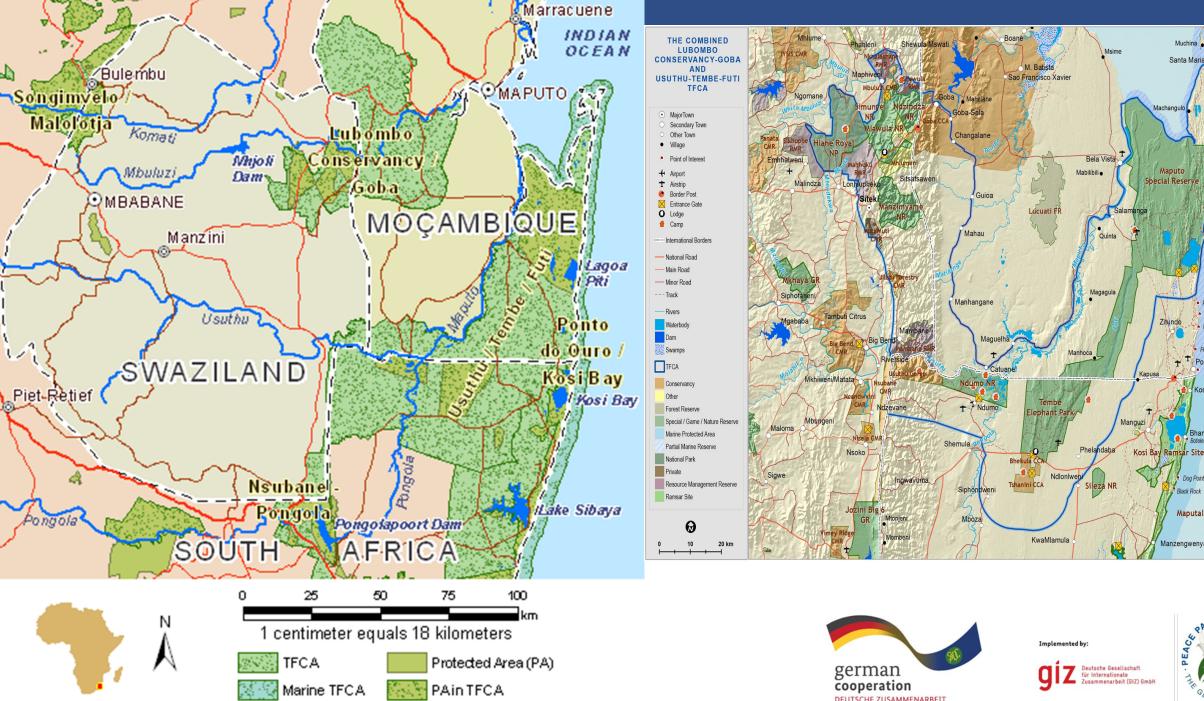
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Muchina

Maputo

Zitundo

Santa Maria Inhaca Point

Ponta Gomeni

Ponta Mucombo /

Ponta Membene

Ponta Milibangalala

Ponta do Ouro

Ponta Dobela

Ponta Techobanine Ponta Mamoli

Ponta Maderianine

Ponta Malongane

T Ponta do Ouro

Bhanga Neck Boteler Point

Maputaland MPA

PARKS FOUND

Dog Point

Black Rock

Manzengwenya

Introduction

- Lubombo Implementing the GIZ Support Porject
- Grant agreement signed in February 2017
- Key focus area:
 - LC-Goba TFCA
 - UTF TFCA
 - SMTFCA









Overall Objective(s)

- the strengthening of TFCA structures
- with improved participation by local communities, thus
- improving conservation of biodiversity and management of ecosystems, capitalising on outstanding ecotourism assets and
- increasing economic benefits to marginalised communities.









INSTITUTIONAL and STATUS UPDATE

- Lubombo TFCA General Protocol signed 2000
- Trilateral Commission Setup
- Coordination Unit Setup in Swaziland
- Situational Analysis completed in SA on going in Mozambique
- Crossborder Fire Management SOP draft developed
- Biodiversity Investment Platform development
- Development of a TFCA Youth Programme
- Setting up of Joint Management Committees
 - UTFTFCA
 - SMTFCA
 - LCGoba TFCA









ACTIVITIES

- Crossborder Institutional Meeting
 - 2 Trilateral Commission and Project Steering Committee Meetings held back to back
 - Minimum of two JMC meetings held in each TFCA
 - Facilitated the acquiring of passports for the Goba Community Trust to enable cross border collaboration

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- Crossborder Stakeholder Engagement
 - Held extensive consultation meetings with the numerous stakeholders in the TFCA.
 - Amakhosi: Tembe, Ngwavuma, Manyiseni, Salamanga, Catuane,
 - Chiefs: Shewula, Langa, Maphungwane, Tikhuba, Lukhetseni, Mambane
 - Municipalities: Siteki, Mhlabuyalingana,, Lavumisa, Ponta du Ouro
 - Regional Entities: Matola, Lubombo, Mpumalanga
 - NGOs: COSPE, VIDA, Space for Elephants, ELO, LC, Fundacao Minyembeti







Biodiversity Activities

- Capacity building and training
 - Crossborder project management training
 - Crossborder fire management training
 - Crossborder Wildlife Crime
 Scene Investigation
 - Community Trust training
- Setting up Jilobi Community
 Forest Reserve







- Concept developed and pilot excursion / field trip Organised with Boundless SA
- Traditional Leaders toured the 3-country corner at Usuthu Gorge for cross border product
- PMU and Boundless have toured some of the main points of the field trip especially: TEP, Usuthu Gorge, MSR, Catuane and Goba
- Goba-Mhlumeni Cross-border Trail under way. New Trust toured the campsite
- Toured the Cecil Mack's Pass Border









- Mhlumeni-Goba Hiking Trail
 - One camp developed
 - Trail under development
- Maputo Special Reserve (MSR)-Tembe Elephant Park (TEP) 4x4
 Adventure Trail
 - Existing trail
- Usuthu Gorge The Three Corner Rafting Adventure
 - Existing partial ratfing trail
- Maputaland Marine Adventure

LTFCA TOURISM PRODUCTS











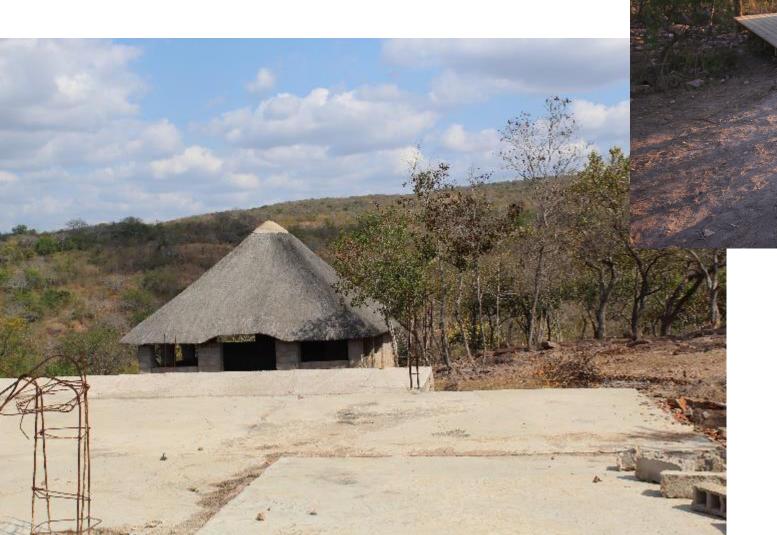








Goba –Mhlumeni Trail



- Marketing and Branding
 - Eswatini International Trade Fair
 - Tourism and Marketing Umhlabuyalingana Municipality
 - Maputaland Radio (KZN)





FUTURE PLANS

- Complete Eco-Business Plan for crossborder trail
- Launch and implement Crossborder Fire SOP
- Cross-border tourism product field trip and sensitization visit
 - Completed camps launch
 - Launch crossborder trails
- Brand and Marketing Strategy setup
- Develop Tourism Master Plan for UTFTFCA
- Finalise the Biodiversity Investor Catalogue
- Develop Monitoring Framework









SADC TFCA UNIT OPORTUNITY

- TFCA Financing Facility for continuity
- Monitoring and Evaluation
 - Guidelines and good practice
- Climate change intervention for ecosystem

