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Small but Expanding Network of MPAs in Eastern Africa

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Current Status

- More secure livelihoods for 22M coast-dependent people in Kenya, Tanzania and Mozambique
- Rapid progress in past 20 years:
 - # MPAs in WIO = 72
 - # MPAs in EAME = 24
- Percentage of marine shelf declared as MPAs in EAME:
8.7% in Kenya, 7.7% in Tanzania, 4.0% for Mozambique.
- Good representation of sites of high species diversity and coral reefs.
- More effectiveness on MPAs management in each country.



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WWF Contribution via GCP

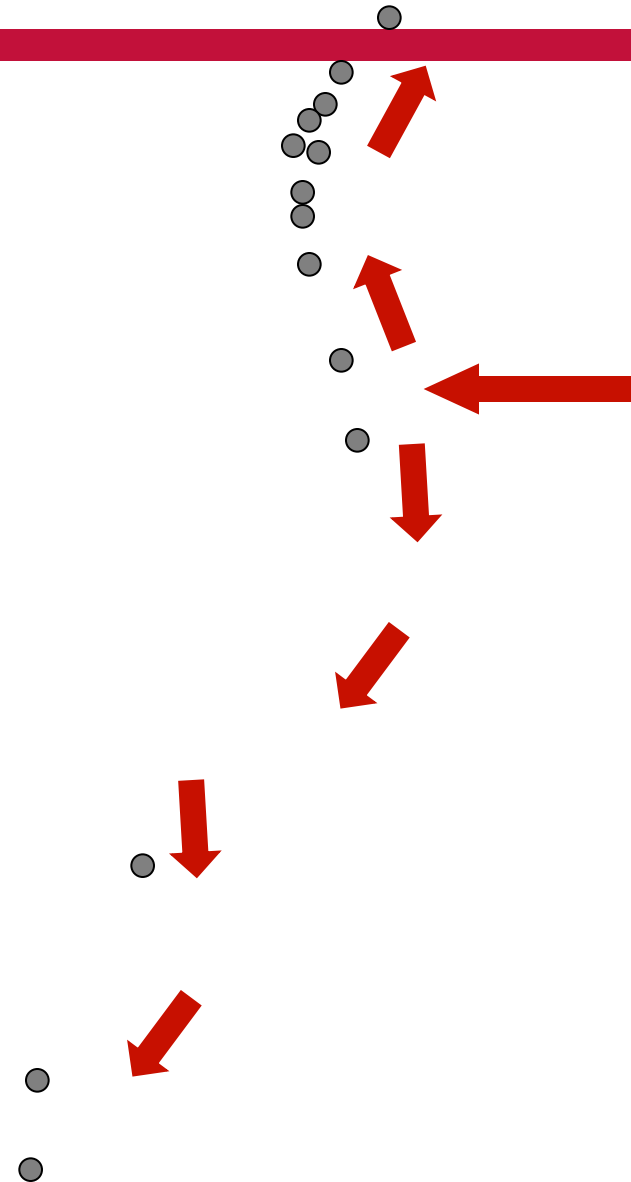
- WWF – MPA establishment and support (70% of all MPAs in EAME); capacity building of managers through MPA learning programme and dissemination of management tools
- Effective Management of:
 - Kiunga NMR
 - Menai Bay CA
 - Mafia Island MPA
 - Quirimbas NP
 - Bazaruto NP
- Progress for establishment of Primeiras and Segundas National Park in Mozambique.
- Scaling up of Mafia Island MPA to RUMAKI Seascape
- Support implementation of Mnazi Bay MPA
- Declaration of Zambezi Delta and Rufiji Delta as Ramsar sites.



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EAME Network of Marine Protected Areas

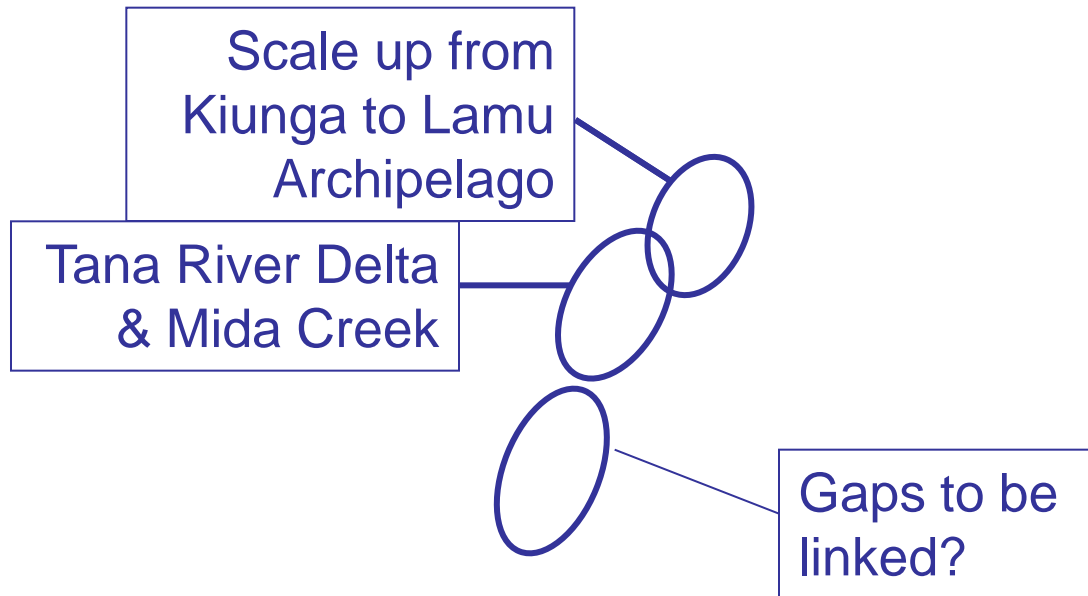
Network properties:





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Filling the Gaps in Kenya



- Tana River Delta proposed Ramsar Site
- Discussion about scaling up from Kiunga to Lamu seascape.
- Transboundary MPA planned at the boarder with Tanzania



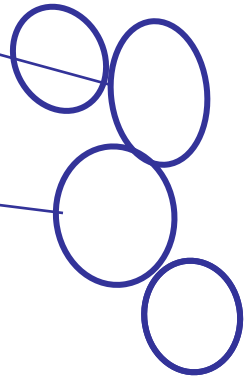
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Filling the Gaps in Tanzania

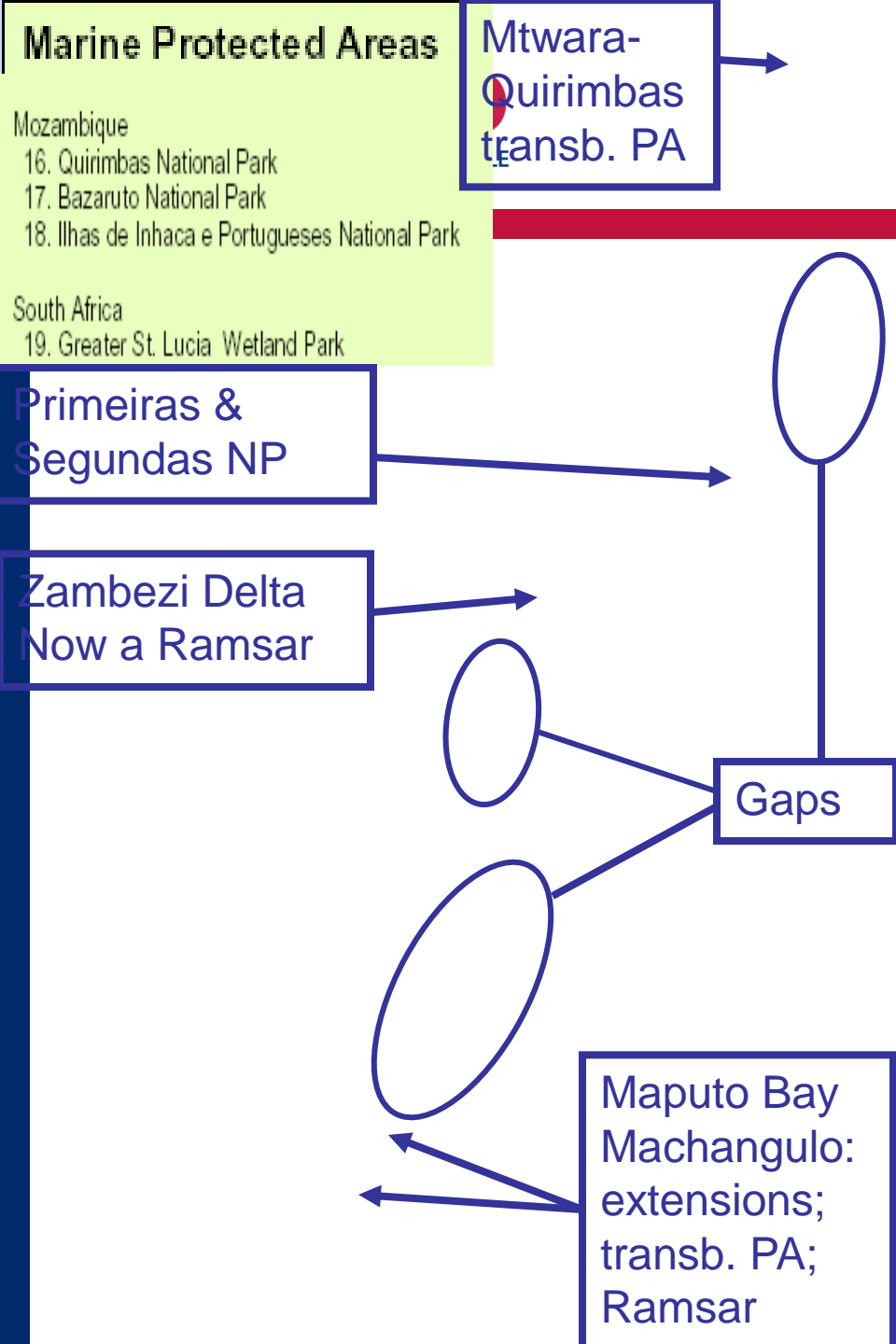
**Pemba:
additional MPAs**

**Unguja:
additional MPAs**

Transb. MPA



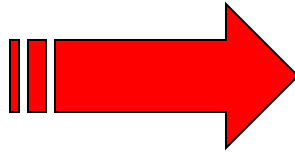
Filling the Gaps in Mozambique





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FUTURE WORK - Scaling up from MPAs to Seascape Conservation





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Challenges

- Many habitats and species are not yet fully represented in the MPA system.
- Improvements are needed before the MPA systems can be said to be effectively managed.
- Need to establish better monitoring systems for measuring and assessing progress towards the targets.
- Developments in Fisheries (fish export and processing plants) and Oil & Gas sectors is threatening conservation efforts in MPAs.
- Agricultural Development in Priority Areas (Wetlands/Deltas) e.g., Tana River Delta is a new challenge.