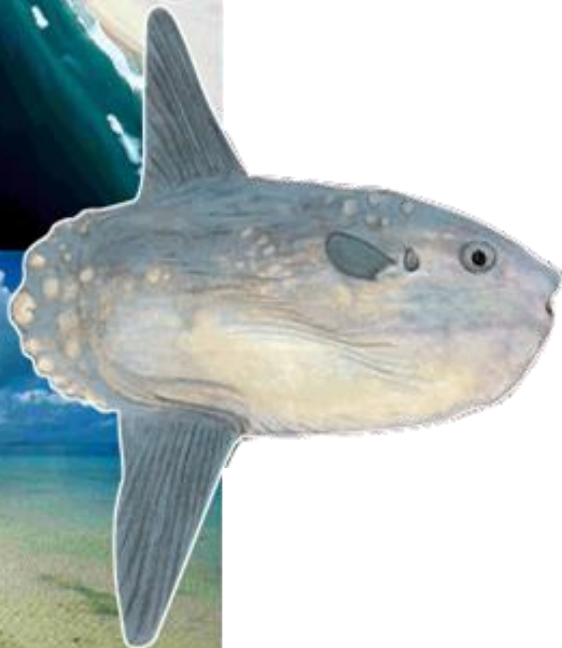




# From ASCLME to SAPPHIRE

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## *Knowledge*

- **Marine Ecosystem Diagnostic Analyses (MEDAs)**
- **Transboundary Diagnostic Analysis (TDA) for Western Indian Ocean (with SWIOFP)**

## *Science to Policy*

- **Strategic Action Programme for Sustainable Management of the WIO LMEs (with SWIOFP)**

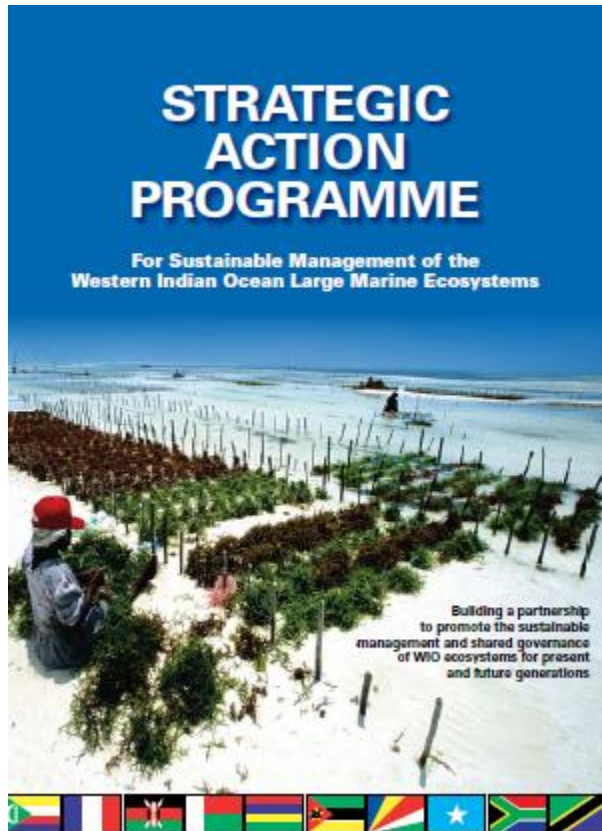
## *Capacity*

- Technical and Scientific **capacity** and **networks** built in the region
- A pan-African Centre for Capacity Building in Ocean Governance (**AfriCOG**)

## *Partnership*

- South-south cooperation, partnership agreements
- Western Indian Ocean Sustainable Ecosystem Alliance (**WIOSEA**, a multi-sectoral partnership platform, including private sectors)





## Four Main Areas of Concern:

1. Water Quality Degradation
2. Habitat and Community Modification
3. Declines in Living Marine Resources
4. Environmental Variability and Extreme Events

Within each main area of concern, several **specific issues were identified, analyzed, and prioritized** in light of the need for regional action by countries.

## Cooperative Programmes of Activities:

- A. Ecosystem Monitoring Programme
- B. Capacity Building and Training Programme
- C. Science-Based Governance Programme

**All 9 WIO countries endorsed the WIO LME SAP at the ministerial level.**

The Signing Ceremony on 23 June 2015

## Strategic Action Programme Policy Harmonisation and Institutional Reforms

- Aim to **implement priority activities** specified in the regionally agreed WIO LME SAP.
- Address the following **5 priority components**:
  1. Supporting **Policy Harmonization** and Management Reforms towards improved Ocean Governance
  2. **Stress Reduction through Community Engagement and Empowerment** in Sustainable Resources Management
  3. **Stress Reduction through Private Sector/Industry Commitment** to Transformations in their Operations and Management Practices
  4. Delivering Best Practices and Lessons through **Innovative Ocean Governance Demos**
  5. **Capacity Development** to Realise improved Ocean Governance in the WIO region
- **Close coordinate** with various ongoing and upcoming investments in WIO
- **Strengthen capacity of national and regional institutions** to achieve improved Ocean Governance in the WIO region
- Promote **sustainable Blue Economy** in the WIO region
- Start implementation in late 2015





**Thank you  
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***Building a partnership to promote  
the sustainable management  
and shared governance  
of WIO ecosystems  
for present and future generations***