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for sustainability
in africa

GDSA PRESENTATION AT A SIDE EVENT ON NCA IN SUPPORT OF LAND DEGRADATION NEUTRALITY (UNCCD COP14)

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BACKGROUND

GOAL

To support the transition to a green economy for sustainable development in Africa, whereby natural capital continues to enhance economic growth, social capital and human well-being.



FOUNDERS



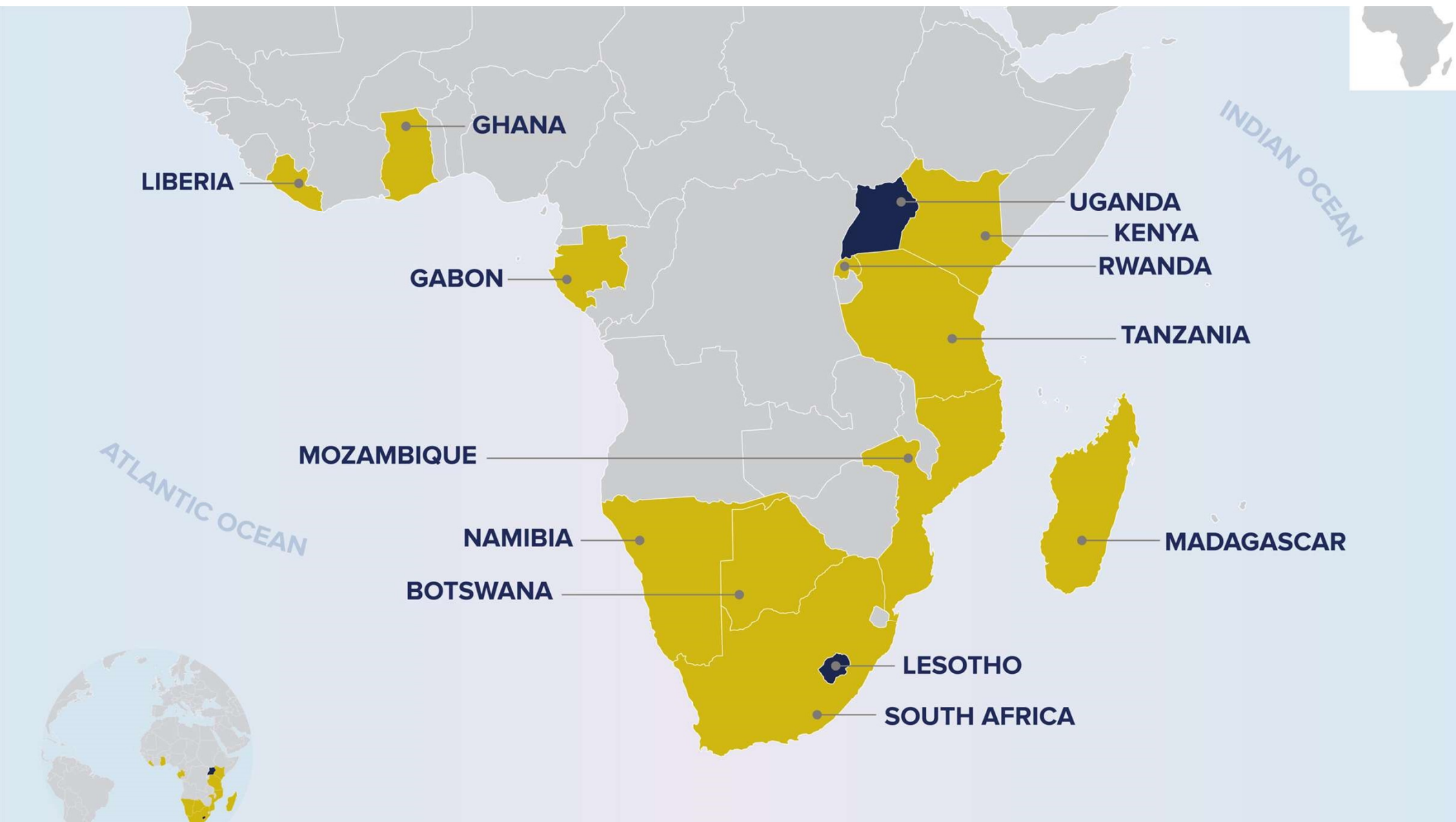


ORIGINAL SIGNATORIES



Food and Agriculture Organization
of the United Nations





LIBERIA

GHANA

GABON

MOZAMBIQUE

NAMIBIA

BOTSWANA

LESOTHO

SOUTH AFRICA

UGANDA

KENYA

RWANDA

TANZANIA

MADAGASCAR

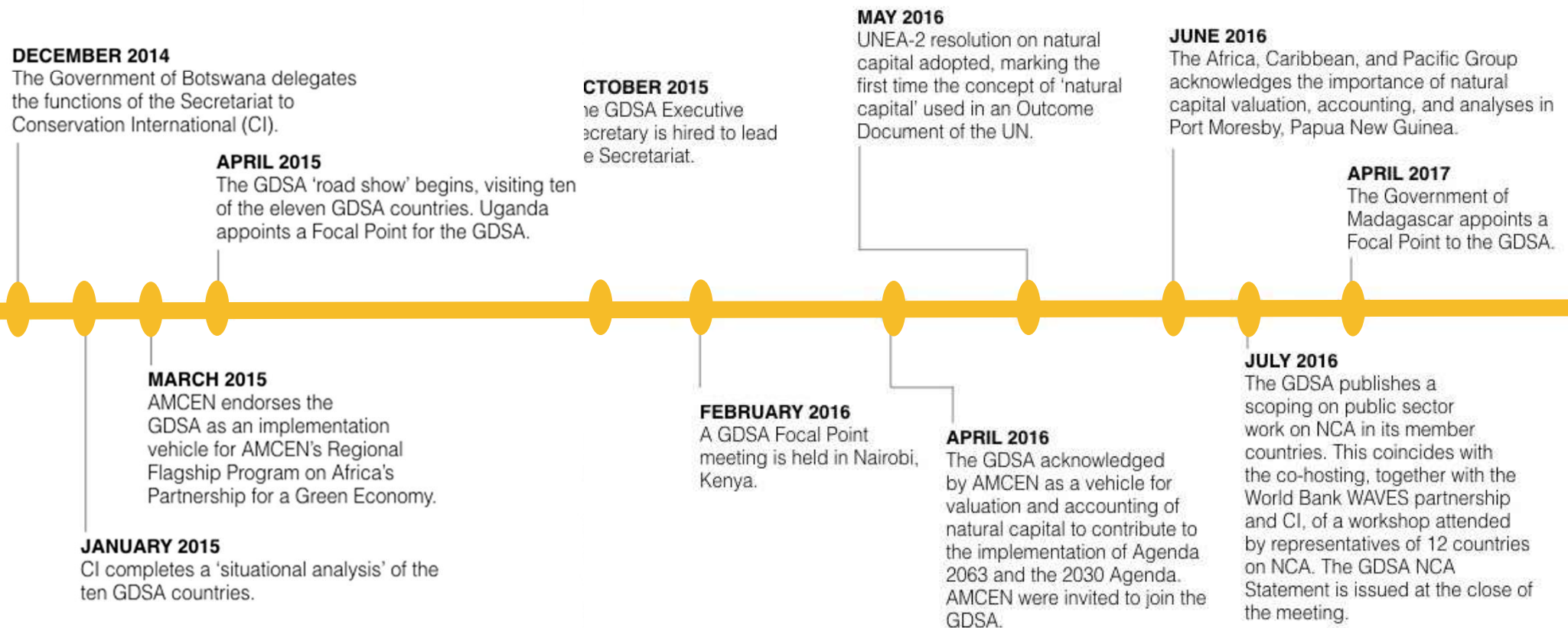
INDIAN OCEAN

ATLANTIC OCEAN



THE GDSA ACTION STATEMENTS

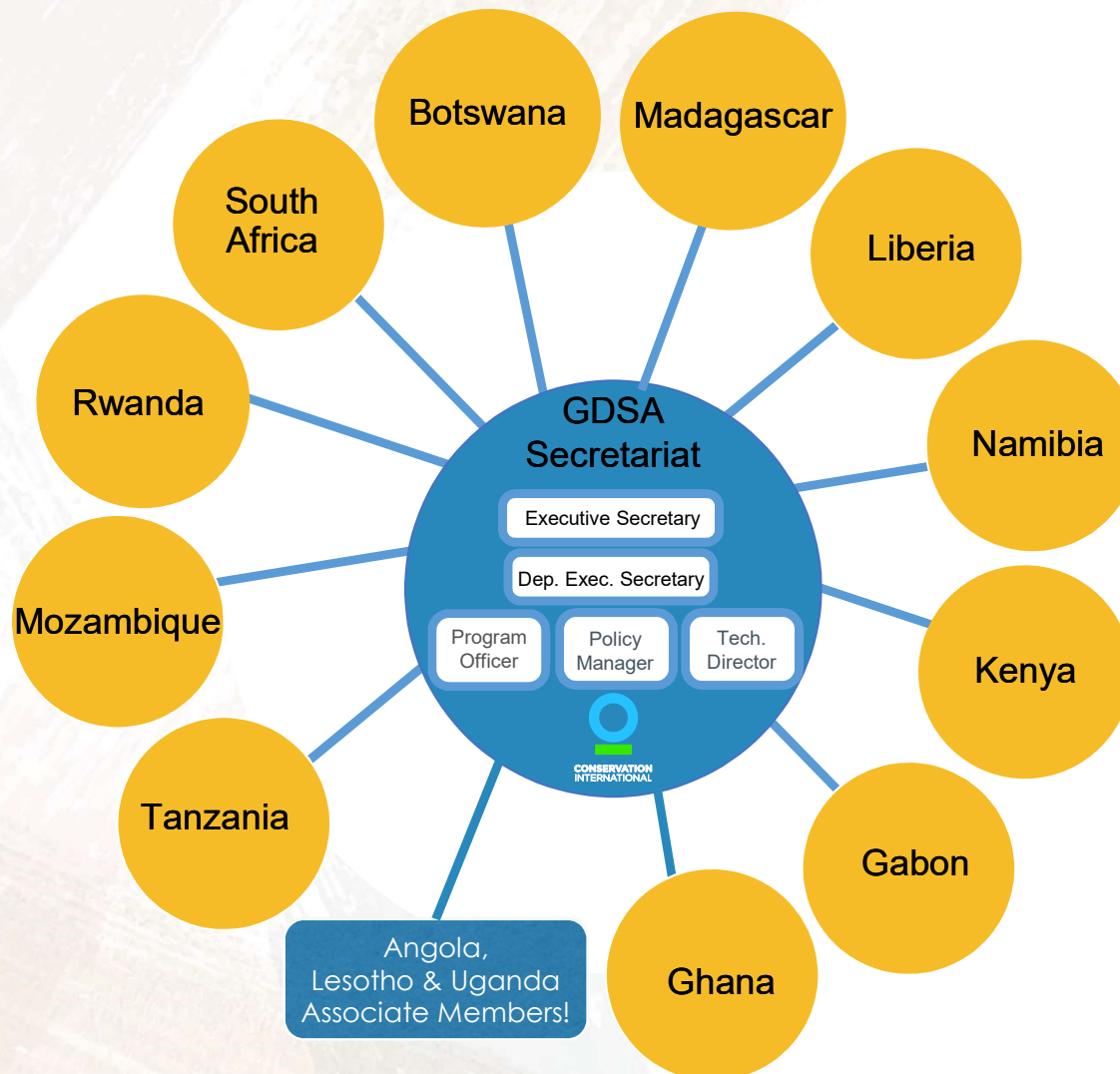
- 1 **Action Statement 1:** Integrating the value of natural capital into national accounting and corporate planning and reporting processes, policies and programmes.
- 2 **Action Statement 2:** Building social capital and reducing poverty by transitioning agriculture, extractive industries, fisheries and other natural capital uses to practices that promote sustainable employment, food security, sustainable energy and the protection of natural capital through protected areas and other mechanisms.
- 3 **Action Statement 3:** Building knowledge, data, capacity and policy networks to promote leadership and new models in the field of sustainable development, and to increase momentum for positive change.





Functions

- Serve members
- Supports Implementation
- Progress + Results
- Facilitates Partnerships



Partners + Advisors

Funders

Partners

A person wearing a red and white patterned dress is working in a field of green plants. The person is bent over, and their hands are visible near the ground. The field is filled with dense green vegetation, and there are some brown patches of soil visible. The text "WORK ON NCA" is overlaid on the image in a large, bold, green font.

WORK ON NCA



WORK ON N.C.A.

- Recognised as regional platform for NCA and Sustainability in Africa and globally.
- Endorsed as an implementation vehicle for AMCEN's Regional Flagship Program on Africa's Partnership for a Green Economy in 2015 (Re: Cairo Declaration)
- Worked together with GOB to get UNEA 2 to accede to including a resolution on Natural Capital (2016).
- Together with CI and WB led WAVES (2016) initiated a GDSEA Community of Practice on NCA.



WORK ON N.C.A. (cont)

- Capacity Building on NCA.
- More countries sensitised on NCA.
- South-South exchange programme for GDSA and other African countries (learning from Costa Rica experience in PES).
- Natural Capital Mapping Project in Liberia and Gabon with support from NASA.
- Scoping work for a pilot project on ecosystem extent mapping in Botswana (GDSA/CI/NASA).



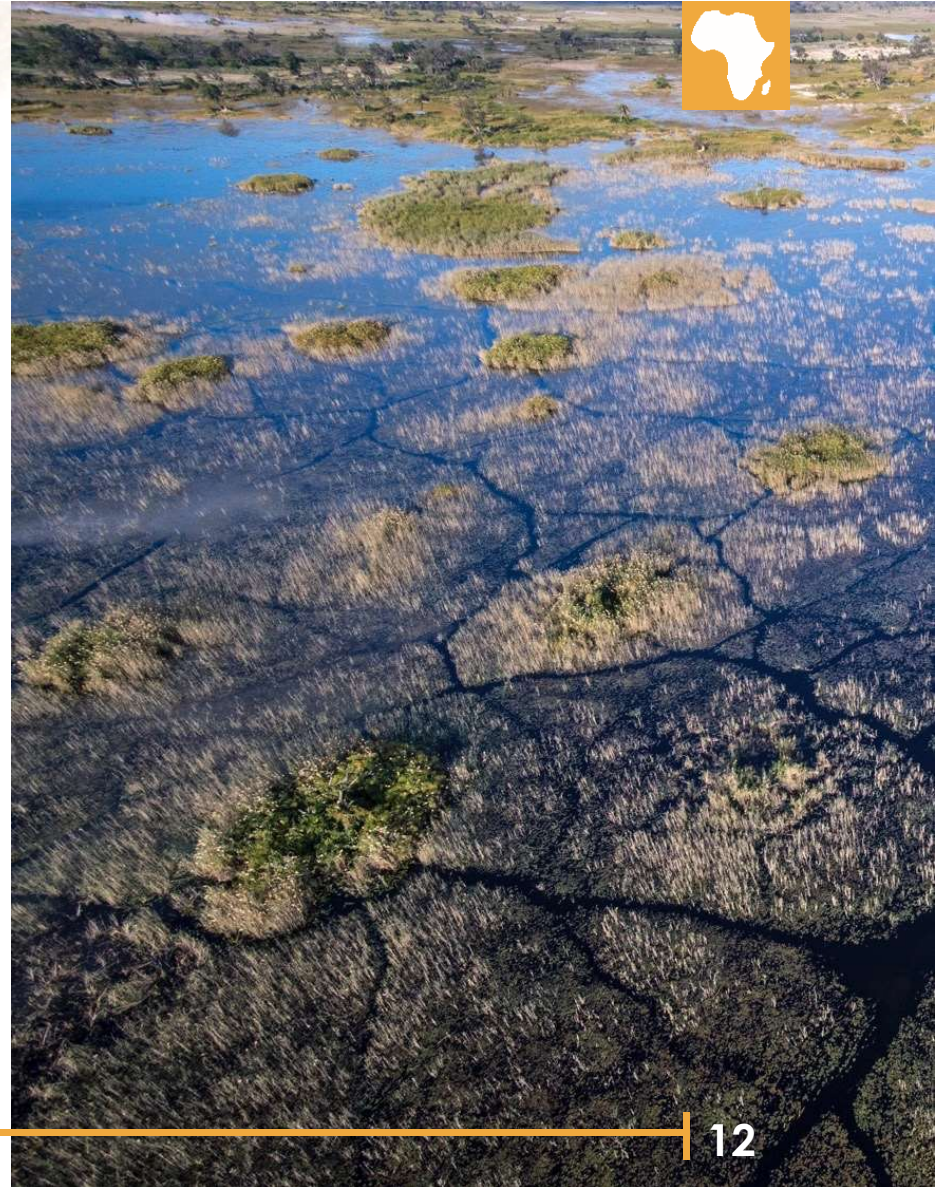
PARTNERSHIPS

They include:

- World Bank (WAVES)
- UN Environment
- INBAR
- UNSD
- IUCN
- World Forum on Natural Capital
- Natural Capital Coalition

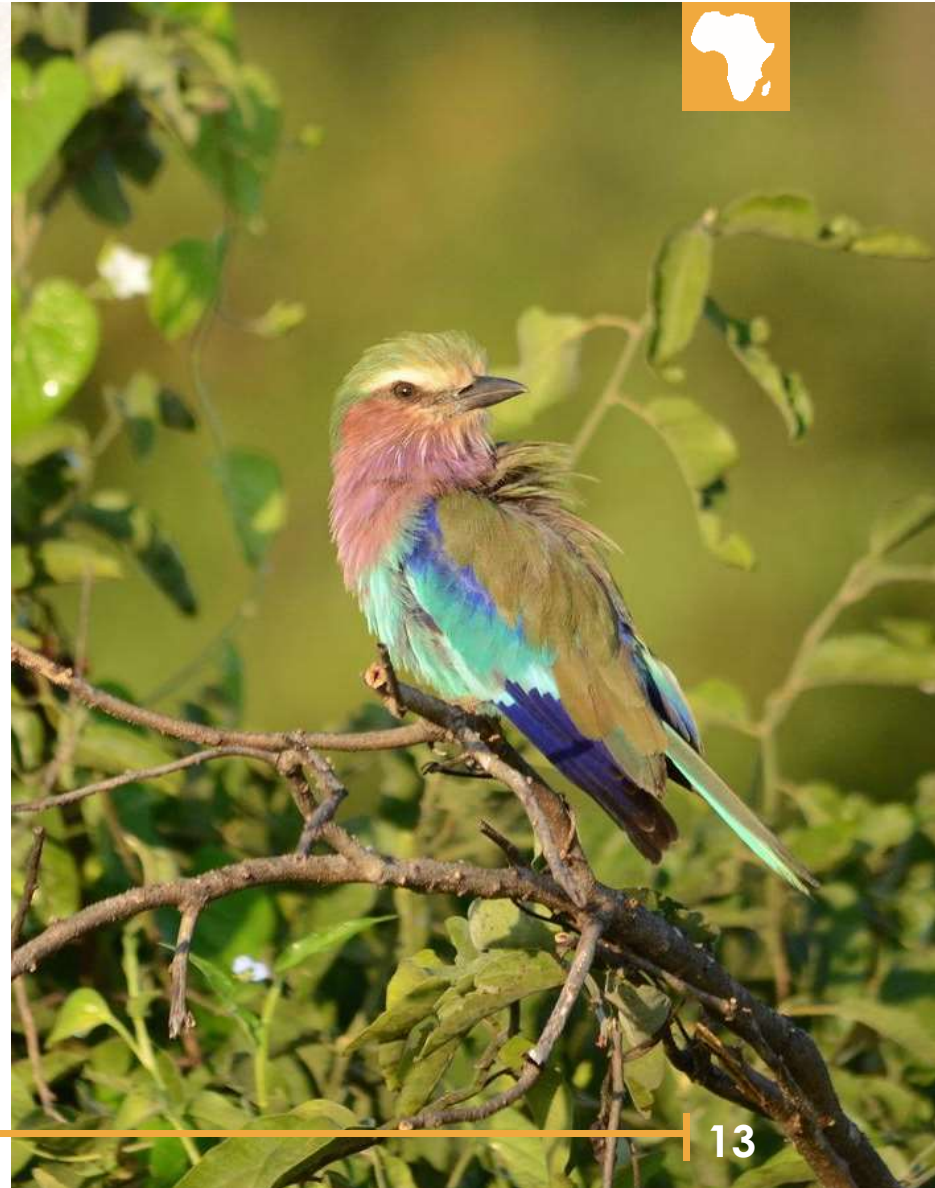
NATIONAL PLANNING FOR NCA

- Successful progression of NCA requires clear country-level roadmaps that are understood and endorsed by all stakeholders
- Across the GDSA
 - Varying degrees of understanding of what an NCA roadmap is
 - Several countries in the GDSA already have partial or complete NCA roadmaps



NATIONAL PLANNING FOR NCA (cont)

- GDSA Secretariat facilitates national planning for NCA in a range of ways
 - Botswana: member of the WAVES national steering committee
 - Resource mobilization
 - Liberia: supporting resource mobilization (first through pilot mapping and ecosystem project; then through NASA project; and now through USD\$4.4 million GEF-6 initiative)



NATIONAL PLANNING FOR NCA (cont)

- GDSA Community of Practice
 - GDSA 'readiness' scoping of 7 countries included review of national planning (available on the GDSA website)
 - GDSA NCA Statement – agreed to in mid-2016 during a 12-country workshop co-organized with WAVES and CI calls for the development **country-specific NCA roadmaps**



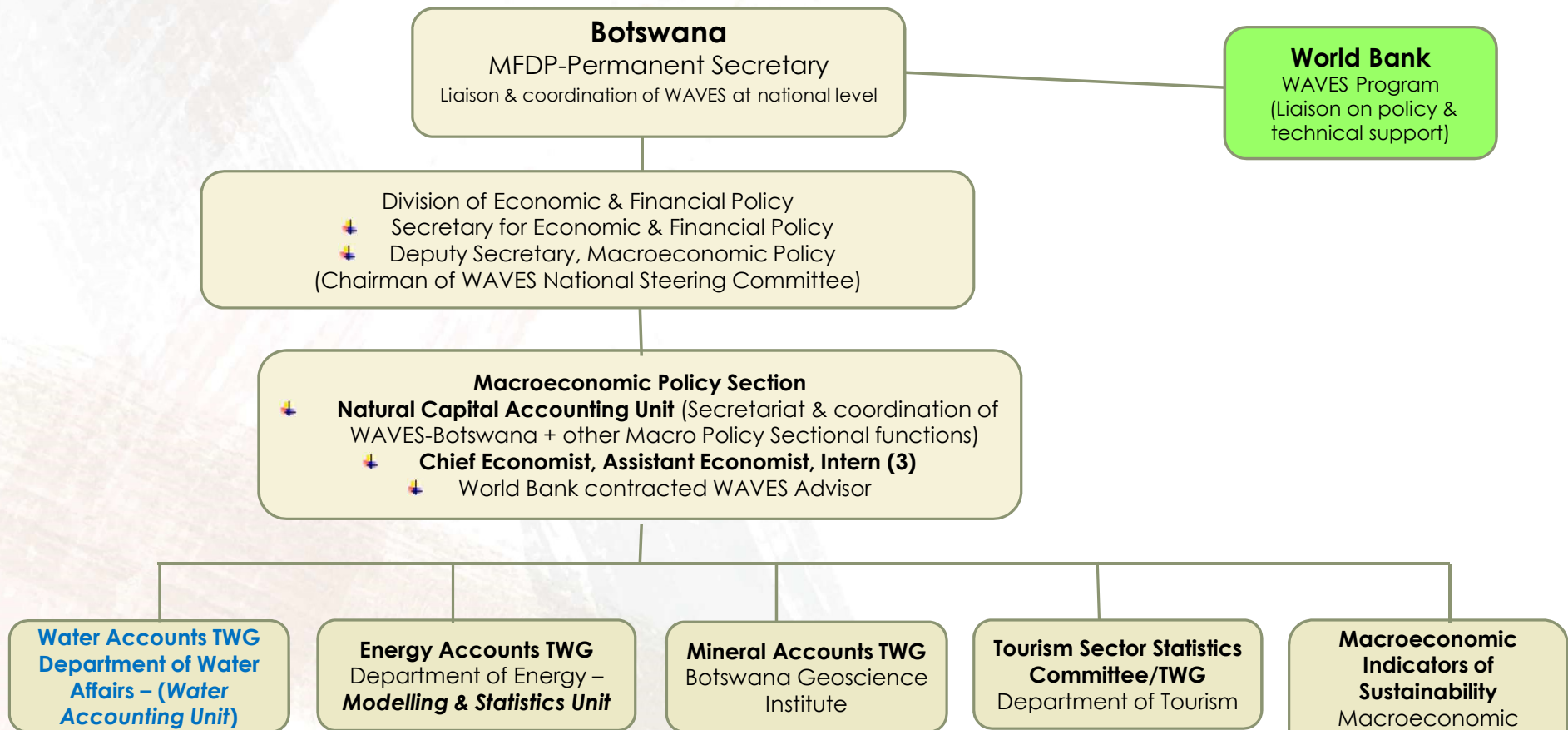


NCA IN BOTSWANA



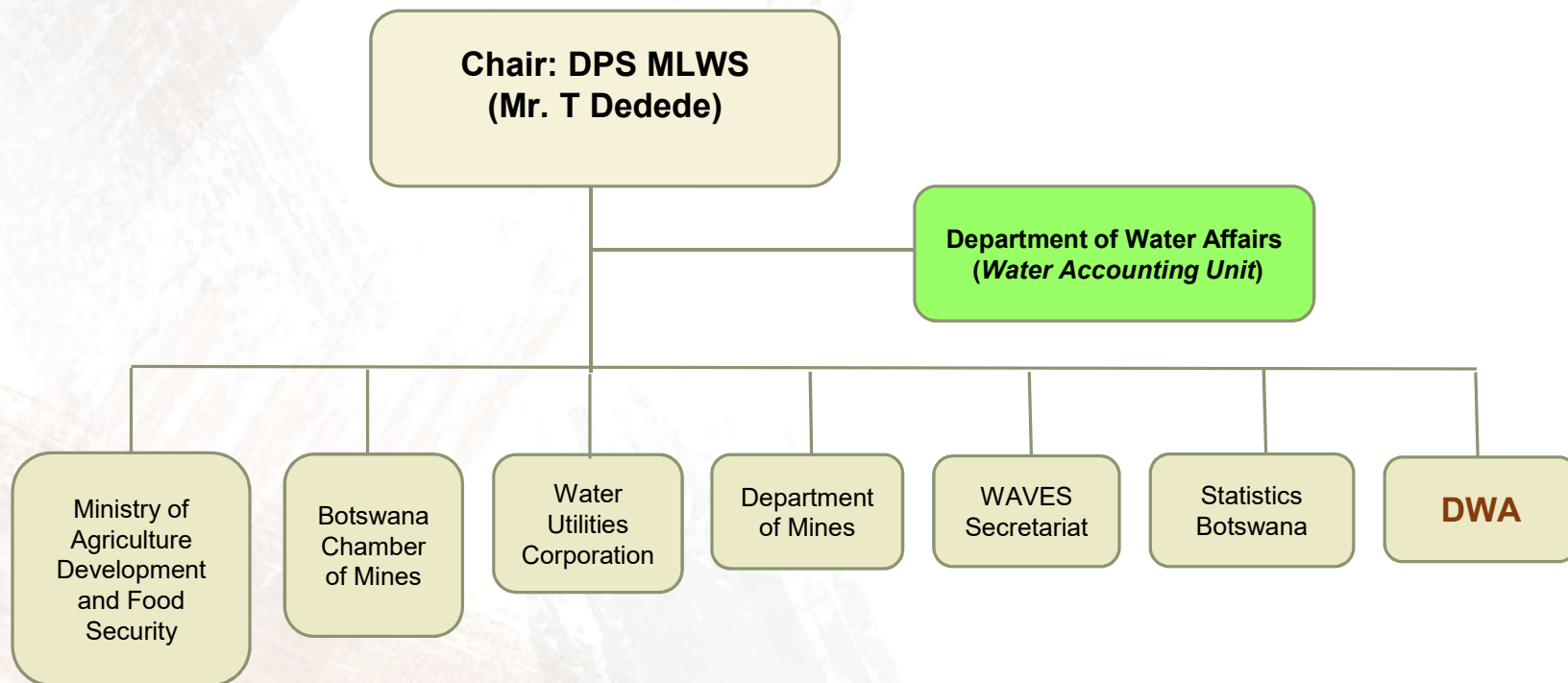


NCA IN BOTSWANA





SETUP – W.A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP (TWG)





ACHIEVEMENTS

- Institutionalisation at DWA
- Technical Reports
- Policy Briefs
- Case Studies and Academic Papers
- Stakeholders and DWA office workshops



CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

- High level buy-in
- Stakeholder buy-in





BENEFITS FROM THE W.A

- Community of WA practitioners.
- Water Accounts data has been used to inform:
- National Water Master Plan Update, using smart water management.
- Botswana's National Water conservation and Water demand management strategy.
- Sustainable Development Goal 6.4.1 and 6.4.2.
- Raw water abstraction strategy project.
- Catchment management committees.
- A Cost-Benefit Analysis Process of Water Demand Management as an Adaptation Strategy in the Limpopo River Basin.
- Establishment of (better) linkages between key stakeholders.
- Shared understanding among stakeholders for the need to allocate & utilize water efficiently.



CHALLENGES

- There is a need for accredited training/capacity building on environmental economics.
- Need for a better data management platform.
- Gaps still exist for other self providers.
- Waste water estimates should be improved.
- Agriculture data (irrigation) can be further improved.



FUTURE ASPIRATIONS

- Quantification of Waste Water
- Compile Physical Stocks for small streams and small dams
- Quantification of Ground Water Stocks
- Expansion of Water Accounts to include soil moisture experimental accounts
- Water Quality and Water Emission Accounts.

Therefore there is dire need for capacity building in the implementation of SEEA for practitioners.



THE END



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