

Our Current Collaboration in Region

(Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, South Africa)



- ❑ Development of **Strategic Framework for Coastal and Marine Water Quality Management (C&MWQM)** in WIO Region (submitted Sep 2021)
- ❑ **Towards Sustainable Port Development in the Western Indian Ocean Region** including Toolkit for Green Port Development (commenced Sep 2021)

Projects under Nairobi Convention linked to Protection and Management of **Coastal & Marine Environment**:

- ❑ To harmonize monitoring and management - decided to develop **Strategic Framework for Marine & Coastal Water Quality Management (M&CWQM)**, including Guidelines to set Environmental Quality Objectives and Targets

In support....

- ❑ Region experiencing **unprecedented expansion in port development** - need to facilitate sustainable development and operations



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Supported by WIOSAP and WIO LME SAPPHERE (funded by GEF), as well as ACP-MEA Phase III (funded by EU)

Strategic Framework for Coastal & Marine Water Quality Management

Build on earlier development pertaining to C&MWQM...

Strategic Objectives & Targets
(as adopted in WIOSAP)

Basic Principles
(broad direction for C&MWQM)

Regional Support & Coordination for C&MWQM
(e.g., Regional Frameworks and Guidelines)

Institutional Arrangements for C&MWQM
(critical for facilitating coordination and execution of C&MWQM)

Country-level Implementation of C&MWQM Programmes

Recommendations for COP's consideration...

Policy:

- ❑ **Adopt Strategic Framework for C&MWQM for WIO Region, including Guidelines for setting Environmental Quality Targets, also at country-level as appropriate**
- ❑ **Formally establish Regional Task Force for C&MWQM (currently project-level task force under WIOSAP)**
- ❑ **Consider establishment of National and Local Task Forces for C&MWQM to facilitate and coordinate at country-level but also in marine pollution hotspots**

Technical:

- ❑ **Secretariat work with partners to develop capacity building programmes to support future effective implementation of Strategic Framework for C&MWQM in WIO Region**