

Central project evaluation – at a glance

Transboundary Use and Protection of Natural Resources in the SADC Region (TUPNR II)

Title	Transboundary Use and Protection of Natural Resources in the SADC Region (TUPNR II)		
Country/region/global	Southern African Development Community (SADC)		
Sector and creditor reporting system code	41030 – Biodiversity (100 %)		
Project number	2014.2453.0		
Commissioning party	German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)		
Lead executing agency /partner organisations	SADC Secretariat/IAI-IAIS-Richtersveld Transfrontier Park (ARTP), Malawi-Zambia (Kasungu-Lukusuzi) TFCA, Lubombo TFCA (LTFCA), SADC Secretariat, TFCA Network		
Development cooperation (DC) programme	<i>Grenzüberschreitender Schutz und Nutzung natürlicher Ressourcen</i>		
Implementing organisations of the DC programme	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, KfW Development Bank		
Project value	EUR 13,296,000		
Project term	June 2015 - March 2021		
Reporting year CPE	2022	Sample year CPE	2019

Objectives and implementation of the project

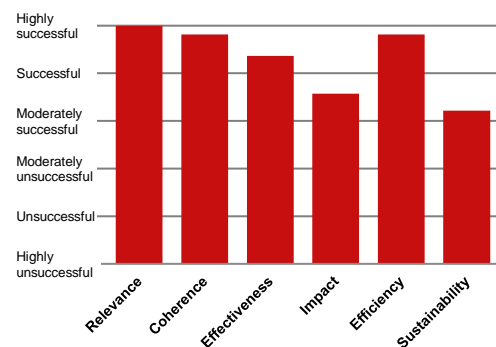
The project aimed to improve the implementation of SADC protocols and strategies for sustainable natural resource management in Transfrontier Conservation Areas (TFCAs) by local, national and regional actors. It should thus contribute to transfrontier conservation of biodiversity and functional ecosystems and the sustainable use of natural resources that secure the socio-economic and ecologic livelihood of the local population and future generations.

Key findings

The evaluation derived the following key findings:

- The project was well in line with regional and national development strategies.
- Its measures were adequately adapted to the SADC Secretariat's needs as regards both capacity development and technical and financial support.
- The project's multilevel capacity development approach, including collaboration with stakeholders at national, regional and local level, proved to be adequate for establishing a supportive framework for the development of the TFCAs.
- The project complemented the efforts of its political and implementing partners to develop the TFCA Network.
- The project duration was rated as too short and as lacking an exit strategy.

Overall rating: successful (84/100)



Conclusions

- In order not to end up with unsatisfied partners and beneficiaries, the project management should better manage expectations.
- To ensure sustainability of the project results, the partners should be supported in developing suitable strategies for further developing capacities and maintaining the infrastructure provided.
- The follow-up project's monitoring system should be improved. The main gaps are that the current system does not monitor unintended effects.

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