



# **Green Growth for KAZA:** Leveraging KAZA's natural capital and cultural heritage for inclusive socio-economic development

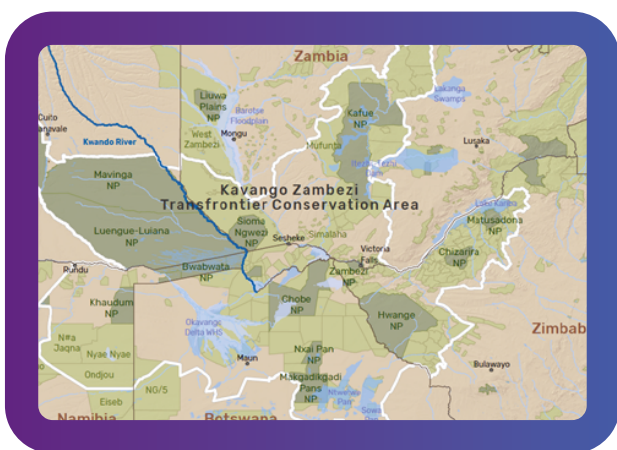


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## BACKGROUND

The Kavango Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area (KAZA TFCA) is the world's largest terrestrial TFCA. It covers parts of Angola, Botswana, Namibia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe. The Partner States have a shared vision for the landscape, anchored on the advancement of conservation and tourism development and a mission which commits them to the harmonisation of policies, strategies and practices.

- **Vision:** Establish a world-class trans frontier conservation area and tourism destination in the Okavango and Zambezi River basin regions within the context of sustainable development.
- **Mission:** To sustainably manage the Kavango Zambezi ecosystem, its heritage and cultural resources based on best conservation & tourism models for the socio-economic well-being of the communities and other stakeholders in and around the eco-region through harmonisation of policies, strategies and practices.



## EU NaturAfrica Support to KAZA TFCA

KAZA is prioritized under the EU NaturAfrica (NAF) Programme, focusing on green transition of the regional Multiannual Indicative Programme (MIP) for Sub-Saharan Africa, with the overarching goal to reduce biodiversity loss while improving the sustainable quality of life for local communities in priority landscapes.

As part of the NAF, the EU has awarded a grant of EUR 5 million to the KAZA TFCA Secretariat for a four-year (2025- 2029) project titled **Green Growth for KAZA: Leveraging KAZA's natural capital and cultural heritage for inclusive socio-economic development.** The project is led by the KAZA Secretariat, working in partnership with the World Wide Fund for Nature and the Sustainable Finance Coalition.

The project aims to deliver measurable conservation impact at scale, create livelihood opportunities through Bankable Nature Solutions (BNS) and innovative finance solutions, and improved governance through strengthening KAZA Secretariat structures and strategic partnerships. This project is based on a holistic framework that combines conservation, green economy, and good governance to drive sustainable development across the KAZA landscape.

## OUTCOMES

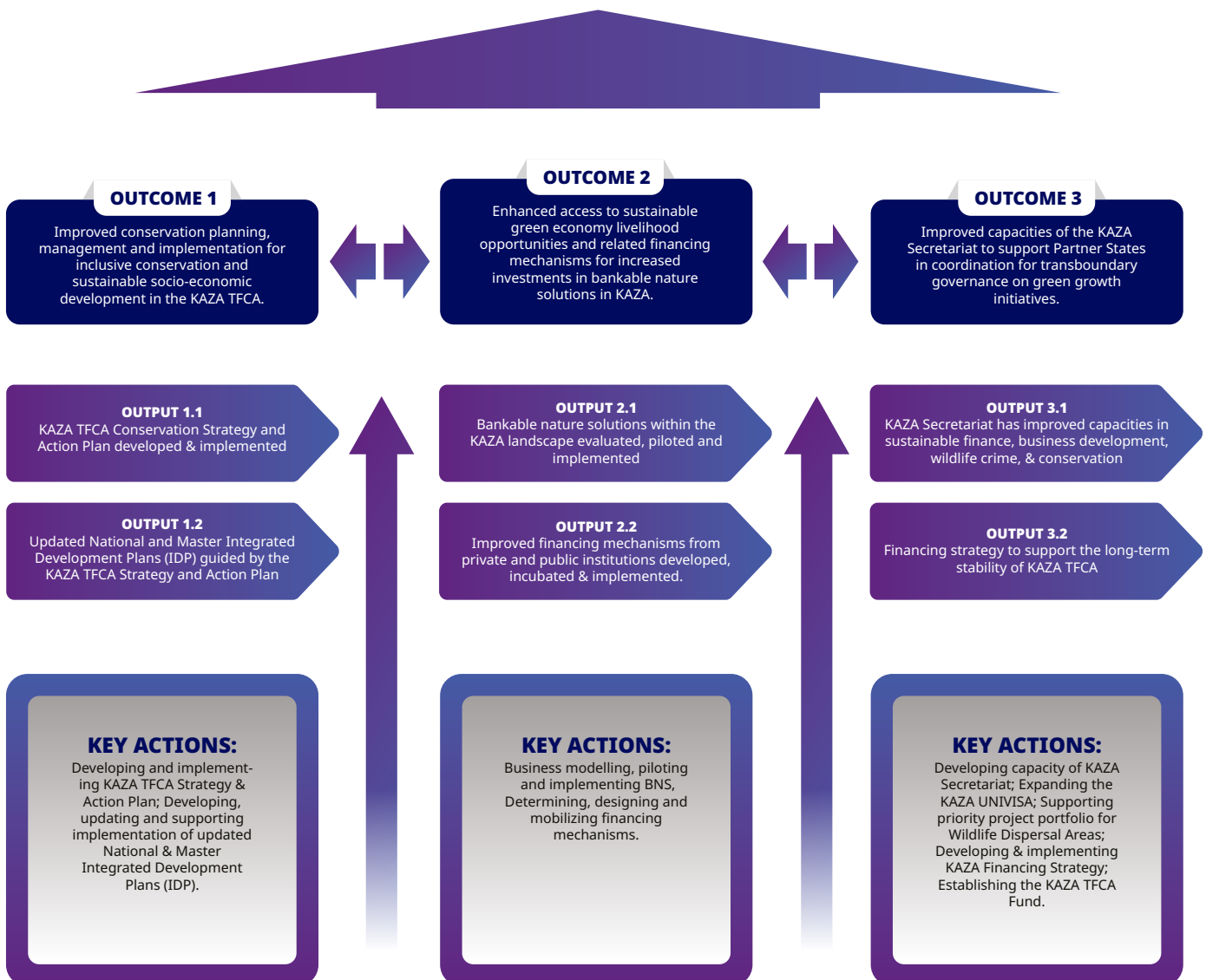
- **Conservation:** Improved conservation planning, management and implementation for inclusive conservation and sustainable socio-economic development in the KAZA TFCA.
- **Green economy:** Enhanced access to sustainable green economic livelihood opportunities and related financing mechanisms.
- **Governance:** Improved capacities of the KAZA Secretariat to support Partner States in coordination of transboundary governance on green growth initiatives.

The project will help prepare for and launch a second generation of KAZA TFCA's evolution founded on a new conservation strategy and action plan which is aligned with updated country and master IDPs. Together with the bankable nature solutions, sustainable finance options and a strengthened KAZA TFCA Secretariat, the various project outputs will help outline multi-scale priorities as well as strengthen efforts for conservation and development impacts in the landscape.



## PROJECT RESULTS FRAMEWORK

**Goal:** Improved transboundary conservation of KAZA's connected ecosystems and increased resilience of nature and livelihood opportunities for people living in KAZA, in particular women, youth and vulnerable groups by unlocking the potential of KAZA's unique natural capital and cultural heritage.



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