

Mainstreaming of biodiversity into sectoral development plans, processes and programmes



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Biodiversity for Life



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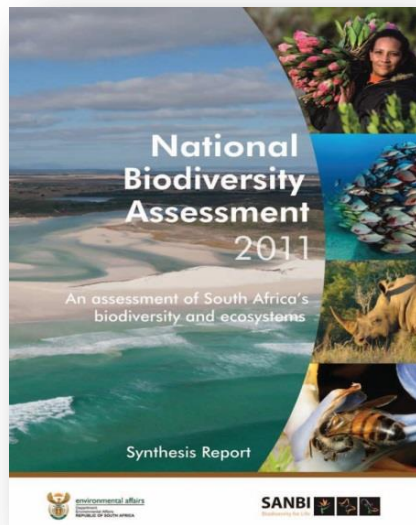
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- Government agency
- Falls under Department of Environmental Affairs
- **Bridging role between science and policy**
- Often work in partnership with other organisations



NBSAP role in our mainstreaming efforts

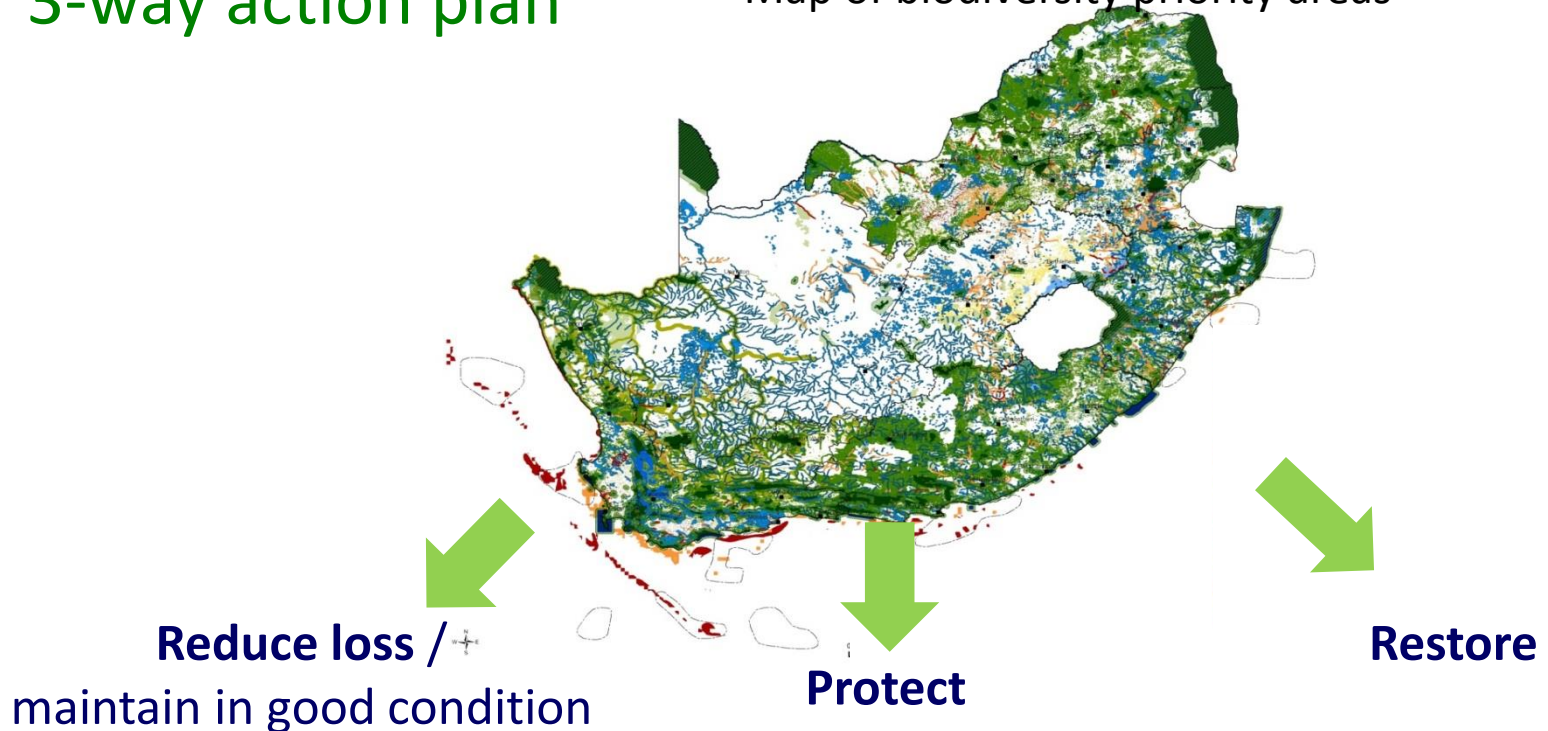


**NBSAP
2015 - 2025**

Mainstreaming interventions

3-way action plan

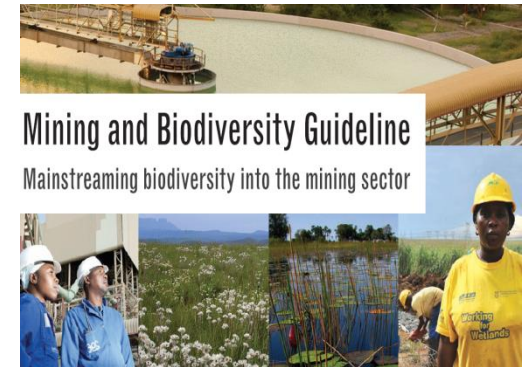
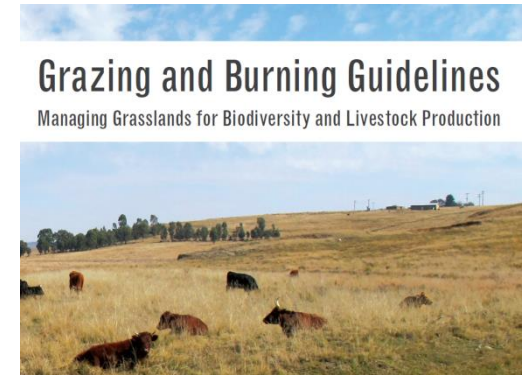
Map of biodiversity priority areas



Mainstreaming interventions apply to all 3

Biodiversity mainstreaming efforts in production sectors

- **Agricultural sector**
 - Grazing & burning guidelines
 - Biodiversity and Wine Initiatives
- **Mining sector**
 - Biodiversity and mining guidelines
 - Spatial planning tools



Biodiversity mainstreaming efforts in production sectors

- **Forestry sector**

- Environmental Guidelines for Commercial Forestry in South Africa
- Biodiversity screening tool



- **Fisheries**

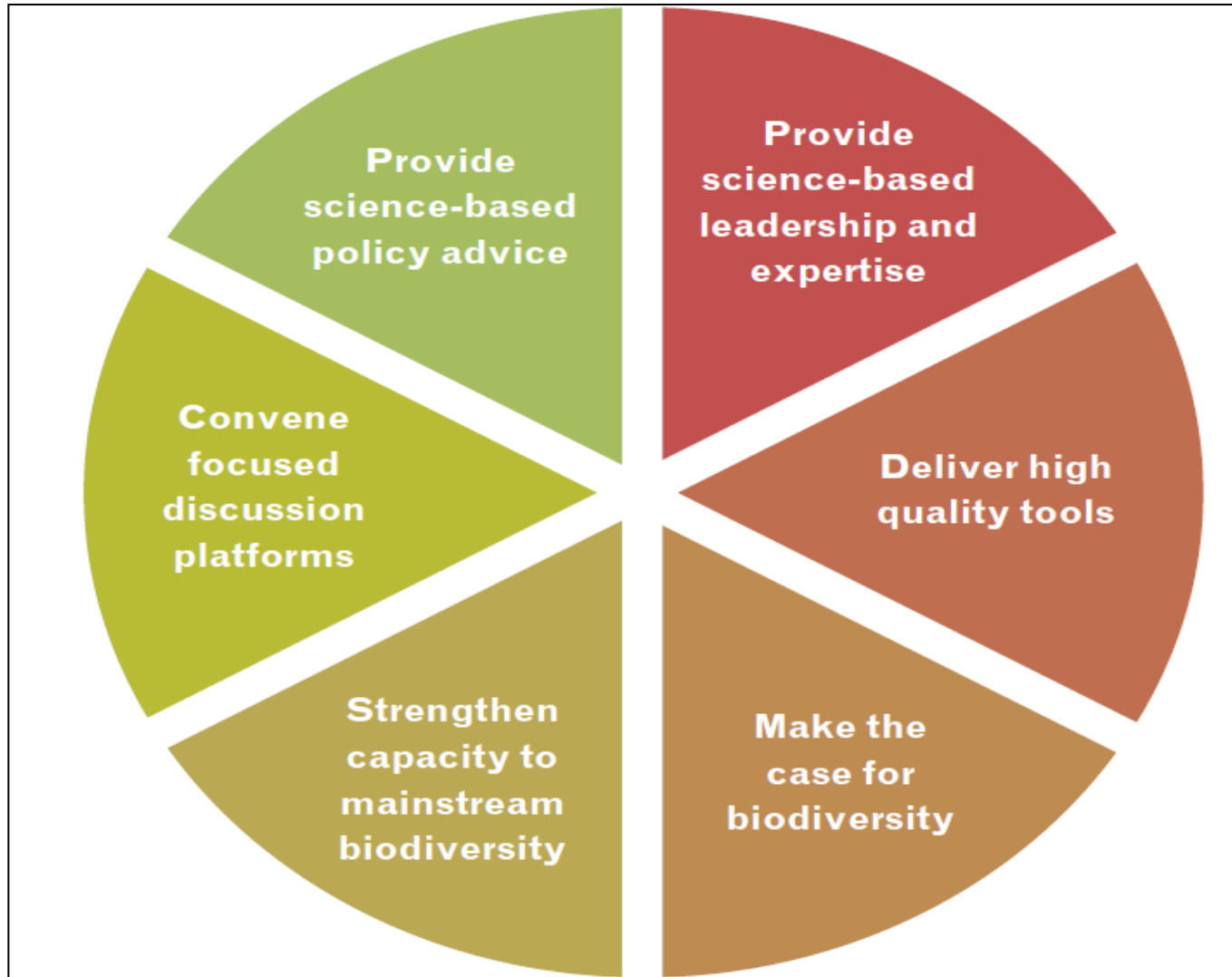
- Southern African Sustainable Seafood Initiative (SASSI)



Key lessons learnt

- Develop interventions in response to intimate understanding of the receiving policy environment
- Reframing the message of the biodiversity sector
- Influencing the policy environment requires flexibility and cannot be a tightly managed process
- Mainstreaming requires institutional changes which takes 7-10 years – beyond the lifetime of typical projects
- Spatial assessment of biodiversity is an essential foundation for effective protected area expansion, mainstreaming and restoration
- Partnerships between multiple stakeholders are key to achieving biodiversity goals at the landscape scale
- The need for greater realism about what is achievable in the time period between NBSAP reviews, particularly for mainstreaming activities

Critical success factors



Barriers to mainstreaming into production sectors

- **Human capacity challenge**
 - **Finding a champion** within the production sector
 - Takes **time** to develop good relations with the targeted production sectors

Future mainstreaming efforts

- Reviewed NBSAP has a focus on mainstreaming biodiversity
 - Production sectors and
 - National development plans



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SO 3. Biodiversity considerations are mainstreamed into policies, strategies and practices of a range of sectors

*South Africa's
2nd National Biodiversity Strategy and
Action Plan
2015 – 2025*

Useful links

- <http://www.sanbi.org.za/>
- <http://www.environment.gov.za/>
- <http://www.wwf.org.za/>
- <http://www.cbd.int/reports/search/?country=za>