

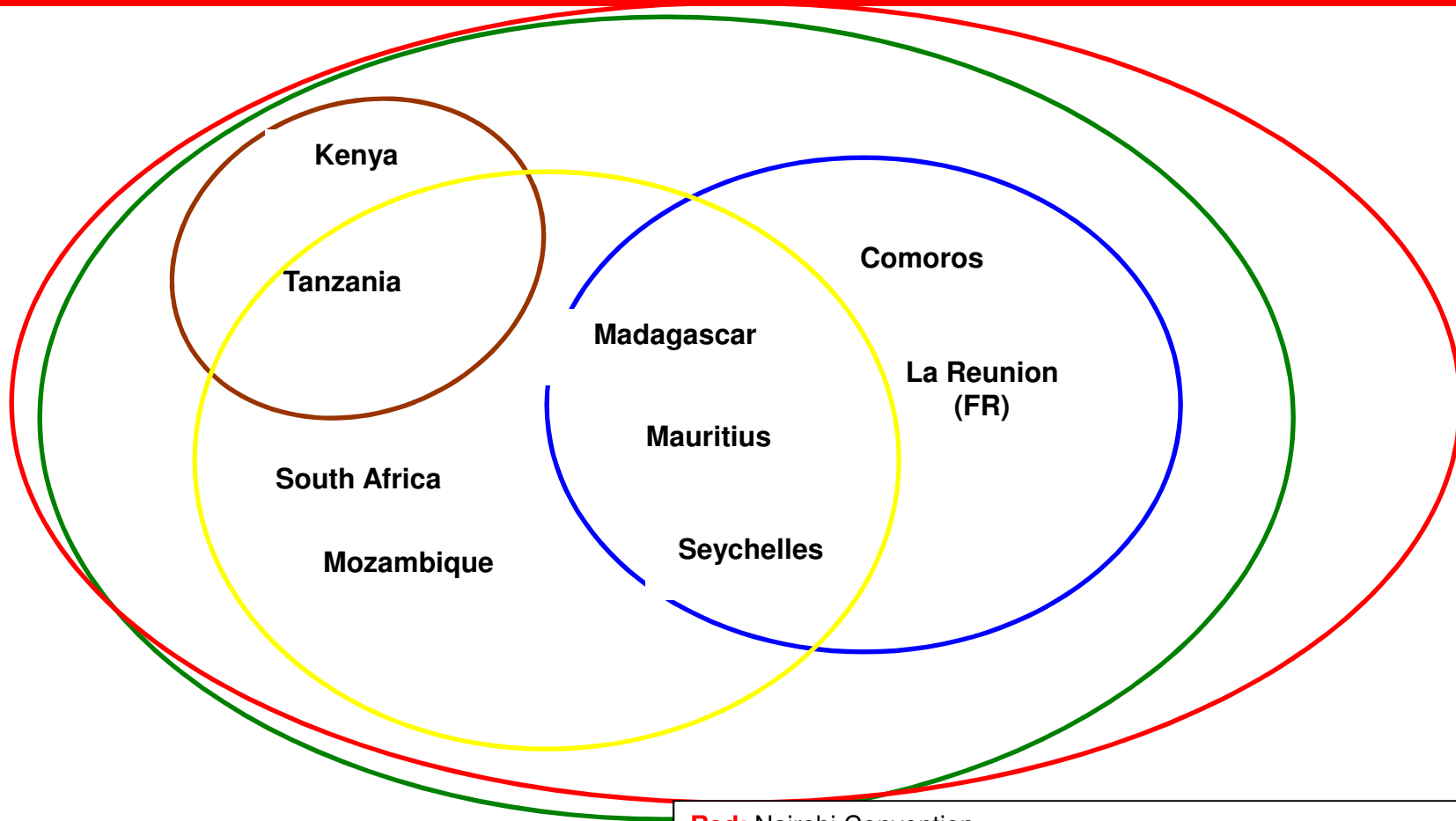
A satellite-style map of the Western Indian Ocean region. The map shows the eastern coast of Africa on the left, the island of Madagascar in the lower-left, and the Laccadive Sea and Indian Ocean to the right. The text "Western Indian Ocean: What's Already Happenings?" is overlaid in the center in a large, white, sans-serif font. The map features a color gradient from light blue (shallow) to dark blue (deep), with yellow outlines of landmasses and a red rectangle on the African coast.

# Western Indian Ocean: What's Already Happenings?

# Who belongs to what?

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**Red:** Nairobi Convention  
**Green:** WIOMSA – Western Indian Ocean Marine Science Association  
**Blue:** IOC – Indian Ocean Commission  
**Brown:** EAC – Eastern Africa Community  
**Yellow:** SADC – Southern Africa Development Community

# Some Key Actors and Ongoing Work

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Note: The actors and ongoing work described in this presentation does not represent a full and comprehensive view of all actors and activities in the Western Indian Ocean Region. This is for illustrative purposes and show that the WIO Partnership can be built on ongoing work.

# WIOMSA

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- A leading regional institutions on scientific and capacity building issues related to marine and coastal resources. Key projects
  - i) Marine and Coastal Management for Science (MASMA) Programme and
  - ii) Climate Change in coastal and marine environment of the WIO
  - Through these two projects a number of research projects on climate change are being supported.
- Organizing, together with the IOC, UNEP Nairobi Convention and Gov of Mauritius a **Regional Conference on “Impacts and adaptation to climate change in the WIO region: Solutions to the Crisis” March 2011.**

# UNEP Nairobi Convention

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- Key regional mechanism for cooperation, coordination and collaborative actions, and enables the Contracting Parties to harness resources and expertise from a wide range of stakeholders and interest groups towards solving interlinked problems of the coastal and marine environment in the WIO Region.
- UNEP Nairobi Convention Strategic Action Plan
- Co-organizer of **Regional Conference on “Impacts and adaptation to climate change in the WIO region: Solutions to the Crisis” March 2011.**



# IOC

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- Key regional mechanism for cooperation among islands states and jurisdiction in the Indian Ocean.
- Key projects in adaptation, MPAs (WIOMER Strategy with WWF) and others.
- Co-organizer of **Regional Conference on “Impacts and adaptation to climate change in the WIO region: Solutions to the Crisis”** March 2011.

# UNDP and GEF

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- ASCLME – Agulhas and Somali Current Large Marine Ecosystem
- Extensive GEF and other projects portfolio throughout the region on biodiversity and climate change adaptation.
- WIO-SEA

# Bilateral Partners

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- France – Key partner in the region
  - FFEM projects portfolio on biodiversity and adaptation
  - French Marine Protected Area agency
  - Importance of engagement of French overseas jurisdictions
- Others – UK, Italy, Germany, US, etc.



# CORDIO

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- Regional work on biodiversity, genetics, connectivity, reef health and resilience, coral bleaching, fisheries, socio-economics, management, policy, climate adaptation, climate hazards, capacity building and education

# Other NGOs

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- National/Local NGOs
- Birdlife International and BirdLife Partners
- Conservation International
- IUCN
- WWF – EASPRO
- WWF-Madagascar IO
- WCS
- TNC