

# BLUE FORESTS PROJECT

## Mozambique intervention



# Lessons Learned

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# Gaps and Challenges

- Lack of communication and coordination among and within government institutions;
- Turnover in Government departments;
- Lack of specific mangrove legislation;
- New concepts (blue carbon) hard to get government and communities engaged;
- Political unrest;
- Re-staffing and small size of project implementing team.





## Key Successes and Opportunities

- Government interest in mangroves and mangrove restoration - commitment at UN Ocean Conference in 2017 to replant 5000 hectares of mangroves in Mozambique;
- National Strategy and Action Plan being developed and in final stages of approval – First legal tool dedicated to mangroves in the country;
- Increased understanding of value of blue forests and Ecosystem services.



## Advice on Implementation

- Supporting policy and legislation;
- Develop activities in coordination with government needs and interest - Government support and engagement is key for success;
- Community involvement;
- Project accessibility.



An aerial photograph of a mangrove forest. A dark, winding waterway meanders through a dense, vibrant green canopy of mangrove trees. The water reflects the surrounding greenery, and the overall scene is a lush, natural landscape.

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