



Global Fire Monitoring Center



Regional Sub-Sahara Wildland Fire Network (Afrifirenet)

2002 – 2004

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Introduction

July 2002

- Established as a voluntary network of interested individuals and institutions in Subsahara Africa
- Wildland Fire Training Center Africa
 - **GFMC involvement**

Education and Training Materials

- Afrifirenet website @ www.fire.uni-freiburg.de/GlobalNetworks/Africa/Afrifirenet.html



- Wildland Fire Management Handbook for Sub-Sahara Africa

Capacity Building - Training Courses

- **Prescribed Burning, Kruger National Park** (May 2003, ongoing)
- **Advanced Wildland Fire Management Course –
A Joint UN Inter-Agency Training Course for the SADC Region** (June 2004)
- **Incident Command System, ICS Traing Course** (March 2004, March 2005)
- **Integrated Fire Management for Fire Managers in Mozambique**
(August 2004, ongoing)
- **FAO / GFMC Training Course for Instructors in
Community Based Forest Fire Management (CBFiM)** (November 2004)
- Basic Firefighting, Conservation Fire Management, Prescribed Burning, Proto Teams, Advanced Firefighting (Fire Boss level 1,2,3 and Crew Leader), Aerial Attack, Incident Command System, Wildland Fire Investigation, Integrated Fire Management, Community Based Fire Management, Fire Modeling, Fire Monitoring

Regional Consultations

- Fire Management Action Plan for the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries of Mozambique

- **Nelspruit Declaration, June 2004**

Assistance and Consultancy

- Bilateral Agreements (Botswana, Swaziland, South Africa, in progress)
- Development of a Fire Policy for Botswana (in progress)
- Development of a Fire Policy for Zimbabwe (in progress)
- Regional Fire Management Plan for the SADC region (in progress)
 - Invitation to present the Regional Strategy at SADC Forestry Secretariat, Botswana

Institutional Cooperations

- **UN-FAO**
- **SAFNET, GOFC-GOLD**
- **Working on Fire Programme, South Africa**
- **National Disaster Management Centre, South Africa**
- **Department of Water Affairs and Forestry, South Africa**
- **Ministry of Environment, Wildlife and Tourism, Botswana**
- **Zimbabwe Forestry Commission**
- **Fort Hare University, South Africa**
- **Nelson Mandela University, South Africa**
- **University of Ghana**
- **SADC Forestry Secretariat**

Outlook, Future Needs

Regional coordinated Fire Strategy and international cooperation

Harmonizing activities between AfriFireNet and SAFNET

Pro-active Network due to dedicated Network members, please carry on!

Political Support to secure finances

From individuals to institutions and organisations to ensure sustainability

Community Involvement

Point ignition exercise







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**COMMUNITY BASED
FIRE MANAGEMENT**
Neispruit, South Africa
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The members would like to use the opportunity to express their hope that this activity will continue!



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