

# Sangha Tri-National Foundation



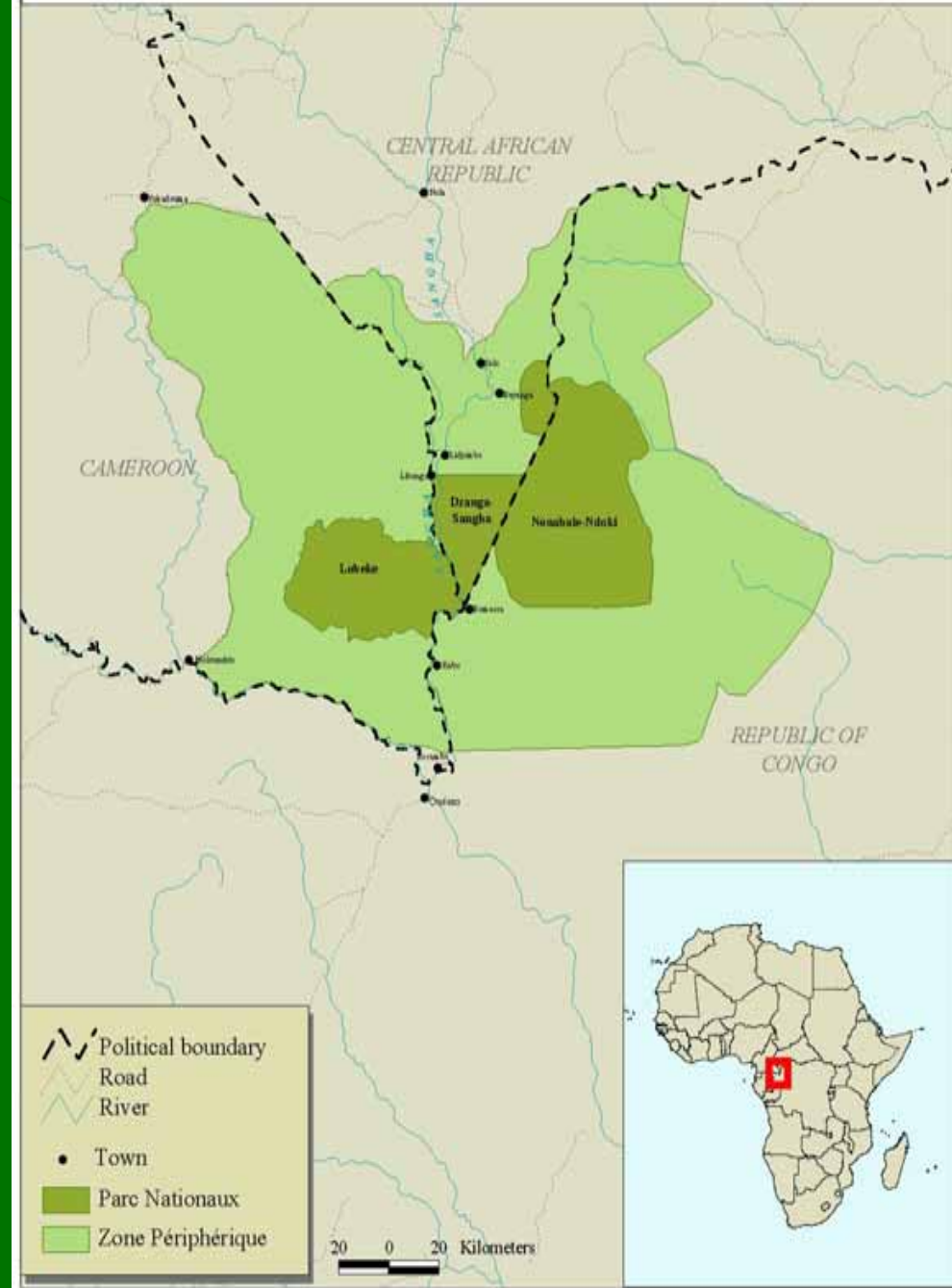
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# Context

**1999:**  
« Yaoundé Declaration » stipulating the need for sustainable financing for conservation and sustainable use

**2000:**  
« TNS Agreement » signed by Cameroon, CAR and Congo

**28000 Km<sup>2</sup>: protected areas and peripheral zones**



# FTNS – Objectives

- Contribute to the *specific priority financial needs to manage each of the three parks* as defined and approved in the management and business plans.
- Provide support to a number of well-defined *trans-border activities* linked to coordination, trans-boundary planning and information exchange, joint activities implementation.



# FTNS – Governance Structure

- One independent Board of Directors with a majority of members from the private sector
- 11 Board members ensuring representativity of the three countries :
  - Category A: GoCam, GoC, GoRCA, KfW, AFD, Rainforest Foundation, WCS, WWF
  - Category B: représentants from the subregional civil society
- Meetings twice a year always in one of the TNS countries
- Having expertise in the relevant areas
- Consultative role of local consultative committees existing around the three Parks
- Executive Director in charge of daily management and implementation of the Board's decisions.

# FTNS – Current level of Funding

- Regenwald Stiftung: 3,2 M Euros for Dzangha Sangha
- KfW: 5 M Euros (90% for Lobeke and 10% for transboundary activities )
- AFD: 3 M Euros

33 M Euros – 11,2 M Euros = 21,8 M Euros to raise



0.5 M Euros Start up funds

# Achievements and next steps

- Charity status granted in the UK at the end of March 2008, (tax-exempt status)
- Cooperation Agreement signed with Government of Cameroon (May 2008)
- Initial grants discussed with beneficiaries (to be allocated with KfW start up fund in June 2008)

## Next steps

- Finalization of legal recognition in Cameroon
- Recruitment of Assets Manager
- Funding agreements with KfW, AFD and Regenwald Stiftung
- Fundraising efforts