



# **The Southern African Power Pool**

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**Meeting growing power demands through  
Southern African regional integration**

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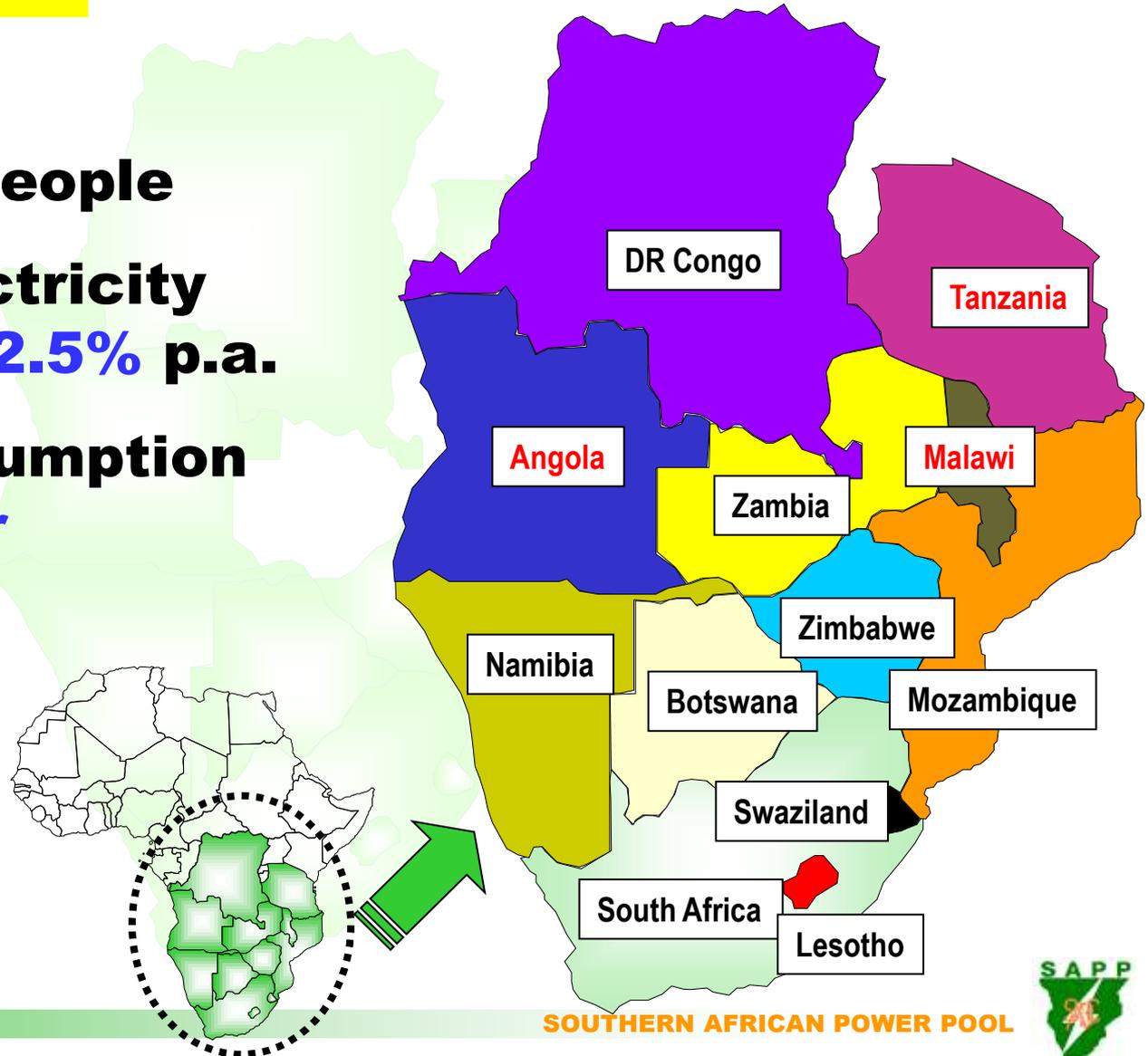
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# 1. OVERVIEW OF THE SAPP

## 1.1 Geographic

- ❑ **12 Countries**
- ❑ **280 Million people**
- ❑ **Average Electricity growth rate 2.5% p.a.**
- ❑ **Energy consumption 400TWh/year**

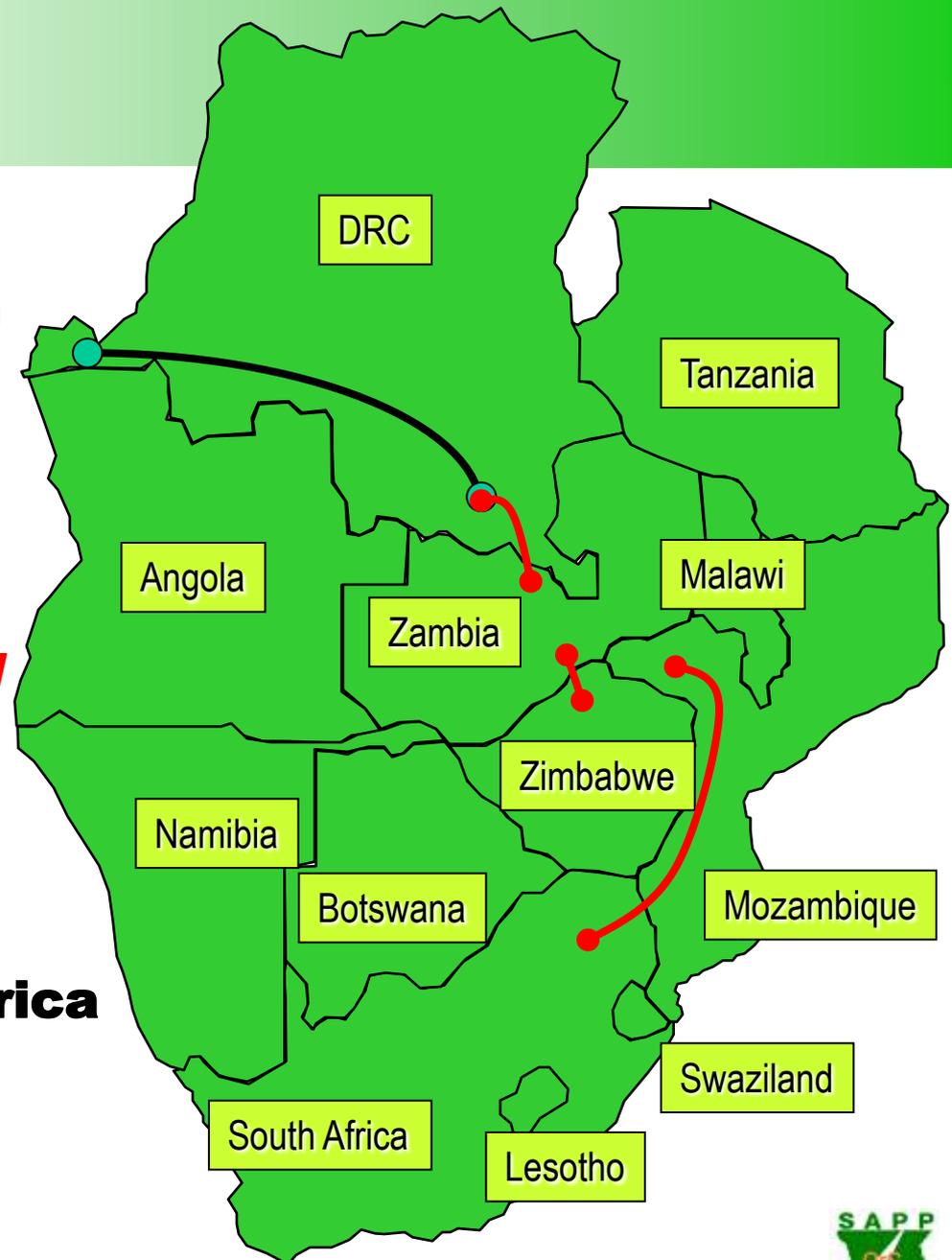


## 1.2 Historic (1)

**1950s: DRC-Zambia**  
**500kV HVDC 1700km**  
**1x220kV AC, 210MW**

**1960s: Zambia – Zimbabwe**  
**2x330kV AC, 1400MW**

**1975: Mozambique – South Africa**  
**533kV HVDC – 1400km**  
**2000MW**



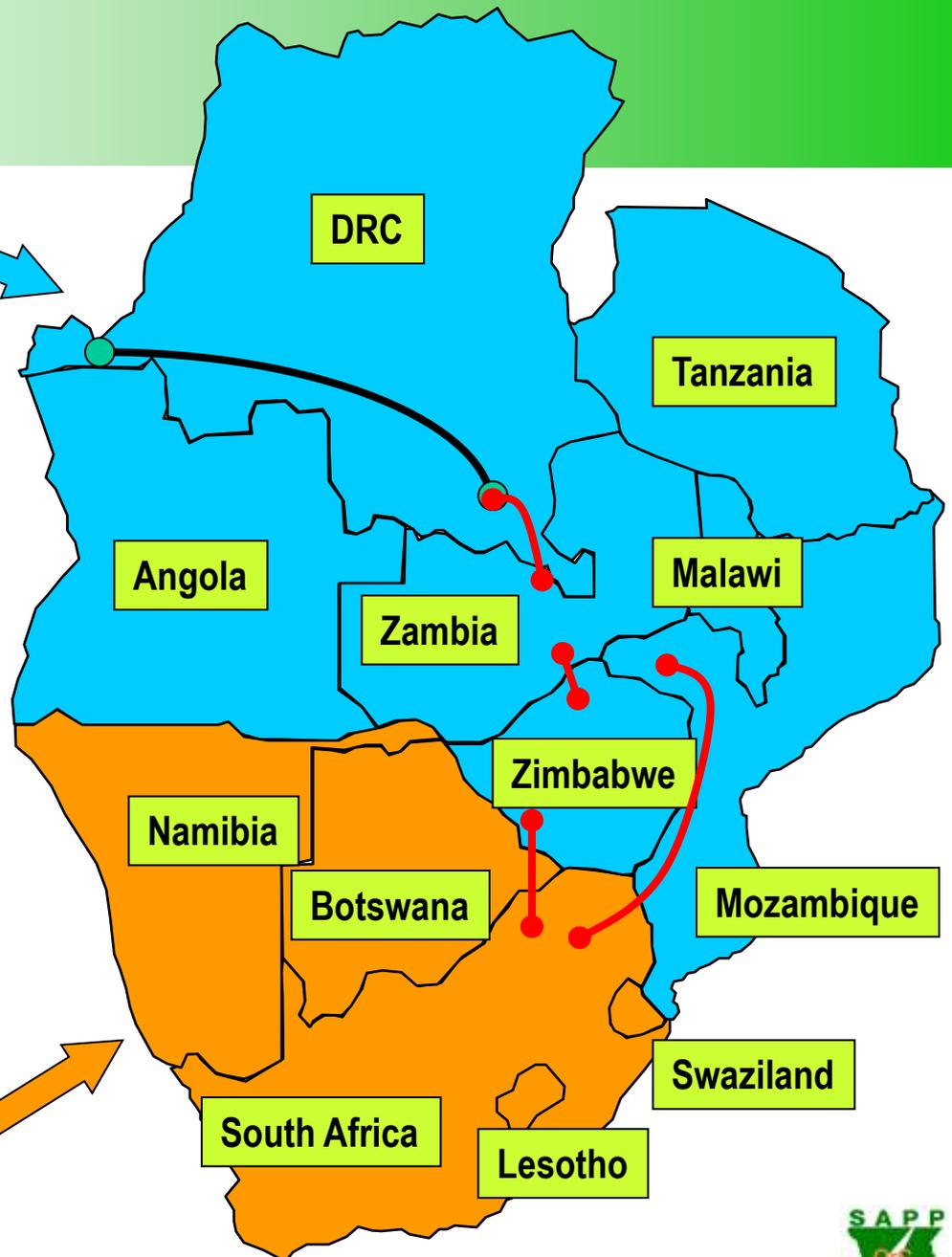
## 1.2 Historic (2)

Hydro Northern Network

Two networks linked by weak lines at **220kV** & **132kV** via Botswana

In **1995** the **400kV** was constructed from Zimbabwe to South Africa via Botswana.

Thermal Southern Network



## 1.2 Historic (3)

- The interconnection of the northern and southern networks created a platform for **regional trade and cooperation**.
- In **1995**, the Ministers responsible for energy in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) signed Inter-Government MOU that lead to the creation of a power pool under the name, **Southern African Power Pool (SAPP)**.
- The Aim was to **optimise** the use of available energy resources in the region and support one another during emergencies.



# 1.4 Governing Legal Documents

## ❑ Inter-Governmental MOU

- **Established SAPP.**
- **Signed by SADC Member Countries in 1995.**
- **Revised document signed on 23 February 2006.**

## ❑ Inter-Utility MOU

- **Established the Management of SAPP.**
- **Revised document signed on 25 April 2007.**

## ❑ Agreement Between Operating Members

- **Signed by Operating Members only.**
- **Review document signed in April 2008.**

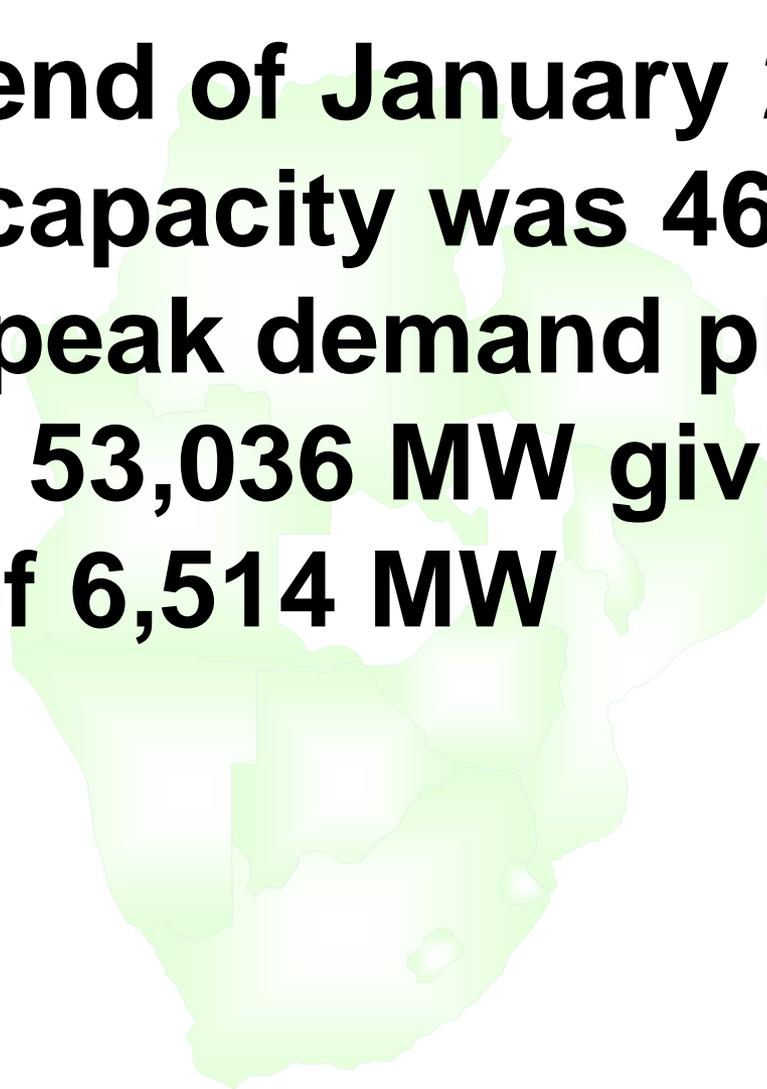
## ❑ Operating Guidelines

- **Signed in in 2013.**





**As at the end of January 2017  
available capacity was 46,522 MW  
against a peak demand plus  
reserve of 53,036 MW giving a  
shortfall of 6,514 MW**



## 2. Generation Projects Commissioned in 2016

No	Utility	Country	Name	Type	Capacity [MW]
1	RNT	Angola	Cambambe 1 & 2	Hydro	350
2	RNT	Angola	Cambambe 3 & 4	Hydro	350
3	RNT	Angola	Cambambe I Rehabilitation	Hydro	80
4	IPP	RSA	OCGT IPP	Gas	1070
5	IPP	South Africa	Renewable Round 3	PV,CSP,Wind	454
6	NamPower	Namibia	Ruacana	Hydro	15
7	IPP	Mozambique	Gigawatt	Gas	100
8	IPP	South Africa	Cogen	Gas	100
9	IPP	Zambia	Maamba Colliery	Coal	300
10	IPP	Mozambique	Kuwaninga	Gas	40
11	IPP	Mozambique	Nacala Power Ship	Gas	100
12	BPC	BOTSWANA	Morupule A	Coal	90
13	IPP	Malawi	Diesel	Diesel	10
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>3059</b>



## 2. Generation Projects to be Commissioned by 2022

No	Country	Committed Generation Capacity, MW							
		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
1	Angola	780	2571	200	0	0	0	0	3,551
2	Botswana	-	120	-	300	300	-	-	720
3	DRC	-	150	-	-	360	-	1,500	2,010
4	Lesotho	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	20
5	Malawi	-	36	12	132	340	310	100	930
6	Mozambique	140	-	100	-	-	900	1,900	3,040
7	Namibia	15	-	-	800	-	-	-	815
8	RSA	1,503	999	2,169	2,169	1,446	1,446	1,528	11,260
9	Swaziland	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	12
10	Tanzania	-	900	1,040	250	1,000	-	-	3,190
11	Zambia	420	15	113	300	790	930	1,200	3,768
12	Zimbabwe	200	120	540	630	600	2,210	1,200	5,500
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>3,058</b>	<b>4,931</b>	<b>4,174</b>	<b>4,593</b>	<b>4,836</b>	<b>5,796</b>	<b>7,428</b>	<b>34,816</b>



### 3. REGIONAL INTERCONNECTIONS

Since **1995**, the following transmission lines have been commissioned by the SAPP:

- 1.** The **400kV** Matimba-Insukamini Interconnector linking Eskom of **South Africa** and ZESA of **Zimbabwe** in **1995**.
- 2.** The **330kV** Interconnector between **Mozambique** and **Zimbabwe** was commissioned in **1997**.
- 3.** BPC Phokoje substation was tapped into the Matimba line to allow for **Botswana's** tapping into the SAPP grid at **400kV** in **1998**.

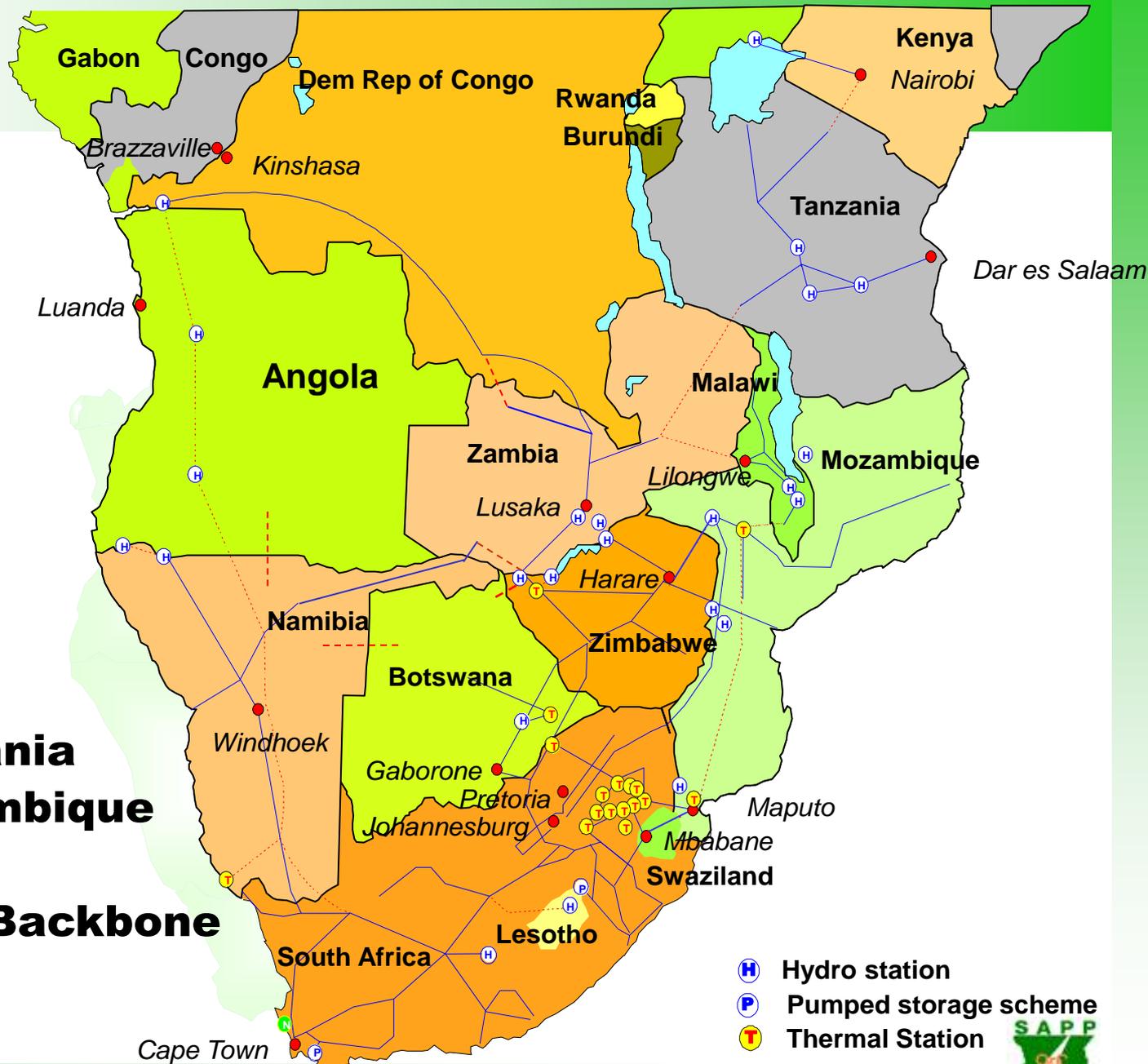


4. Restoration of the **533kV DC** lines between Cahora Bassa in **Mozambique** and Apollo substation in **South Africa** was completed in **1998**.
5. **400kV** line between Camden in **South Africa** via Edwaleni in **Swaziland** to Maputo in **Mozambique** in **2000**.
6. **400kV** line between Arnot in **South Africa** and Maputo in **Mozambique** in **2001**.
7. **400kV** line between Aggeneis in **South Africa** and Kookerboom in **Namibia** in **2001**.
8. **220kV** line from **Zambia** to **Namibia** in **2007**.

# Transmission Projects

Over **USD 5.6 billion** would be required to develop the identified transmission projects

- ZIZABONA**
- Zambia-Tanzania**
- Malawi-Mozambique**
- DRC-Zambia**
- Mozambique Backbone**



H Hydro station  
P Pumped storage scheme  
T Thermal Station



# 3. Planned Transmission Projects

## TRANSMISSION PROJECTS (PRE-FEASIBILITY)

No.	Project Name	Voltage Level , kV	Countries	Status
1	Angola - Namibia	330	Angola, Namibia	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
2	Botswana - Namibia	330 /400	Botswana, Namibia	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
3	Zambia - Malawi	330 /400	Zambia, Malawi	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
4	Zambia - Mozambique	330 /400	Zambia, Mozambique	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
5	Tanzania - Malawi	400	Malawi, Tanzania	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
6	Tanzania - Mozambique	400	Tanzania, Mozambique	Concept / pre-feasibility stage
7	Kolwezi - Solwezi	400	DRC , Zambia	Concept / pre-feasibility stage



# 4. POWER POOLING AND ENERGY TRADING

## 4.1 Power Pooling (1)

- Linking utilities electricity production facilitates the dispatch of **excess capacity** from one system to another.
- Thus the output from different power plants is **pooled**, scheduled according to **increasing marginal cost**, and dispatched according to **merit order** to meet demand.
- The **benefits** and platform created by power pooling include:
  - 1. Increased security and reliability of supply**
    - ✓ Provision of emergency support
    - ✓ Sharing spinning reserve capacity
    - ✓ Balancing generation mix (74% coal, 20% hydro, 4% nuclear, 2% gas/diesel)
  - 2. Improved sector investment environment**
    - ✓ Aggregation of individual power markets
    - ✓ Improved access to creditworthy
    - ✓ Diversification

## 4.1 Power Pooling (2)

### 3. Reduced operating costs

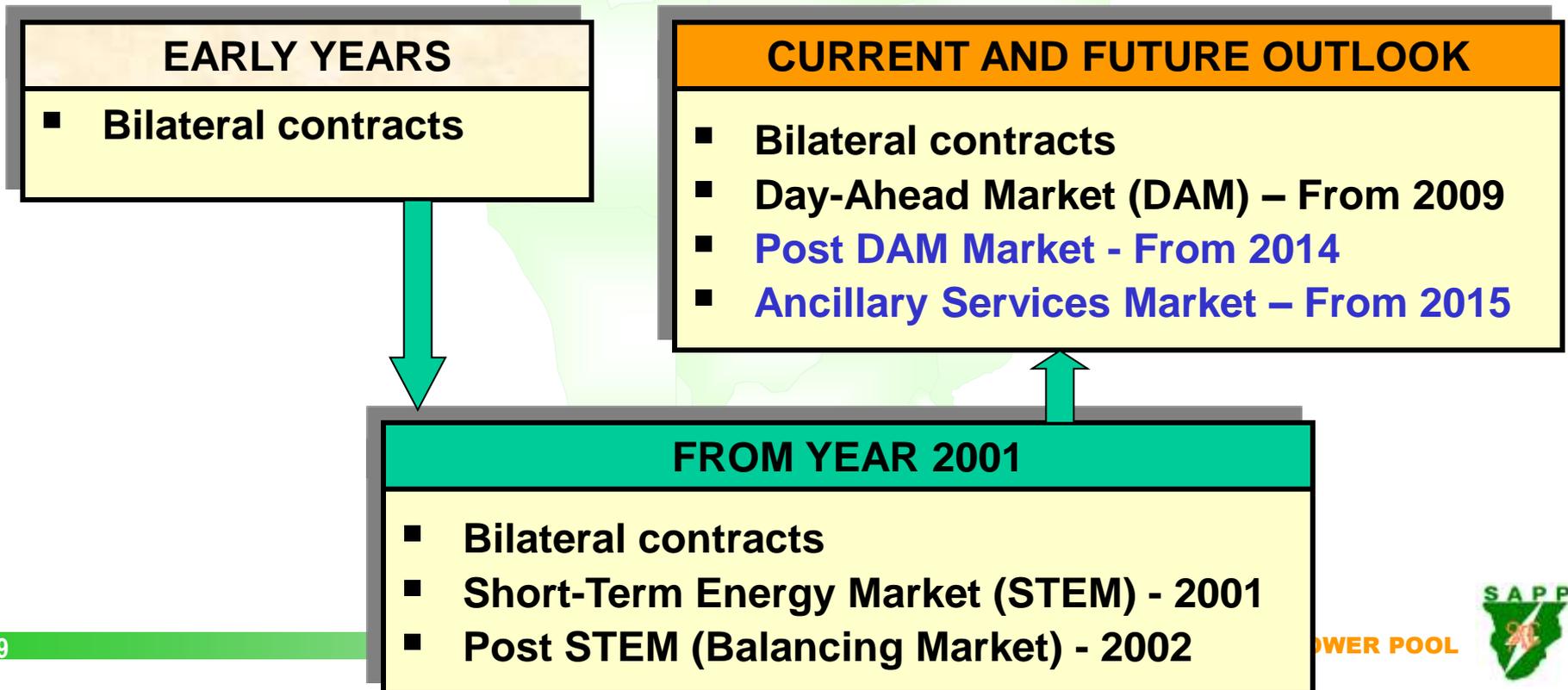
- ✓ Balancing non-coincidental peak-loads
- ✓ Optimization of generation resources

### 3. Reduced & deferred investment costs

- ✓ Advantage of economies of scale
- ✓ Reduced total reserve requirements (SAPP has managed from 20% to 10%)
- ✓ Postponed investments in new peak power capacity

## 4.2 Energy Trading (2)

- Energy trading has been facilitated by the fact that some members have **excess** power supply and others are in a **deficit**.
- Balancing **supply** and **demand** is done via **energy trading** arrangements:



## 4.3 Bilateral Market

All SAPP members are active on the bilateral market

➤ Bilateral Contracts registered in 2012 - **28**

Firm **18**

Non firm **10**

Active Contracts **15**

➤ Generation and transmission capacity constraints are noted as the key factors affecting bilateral trading in SAPP

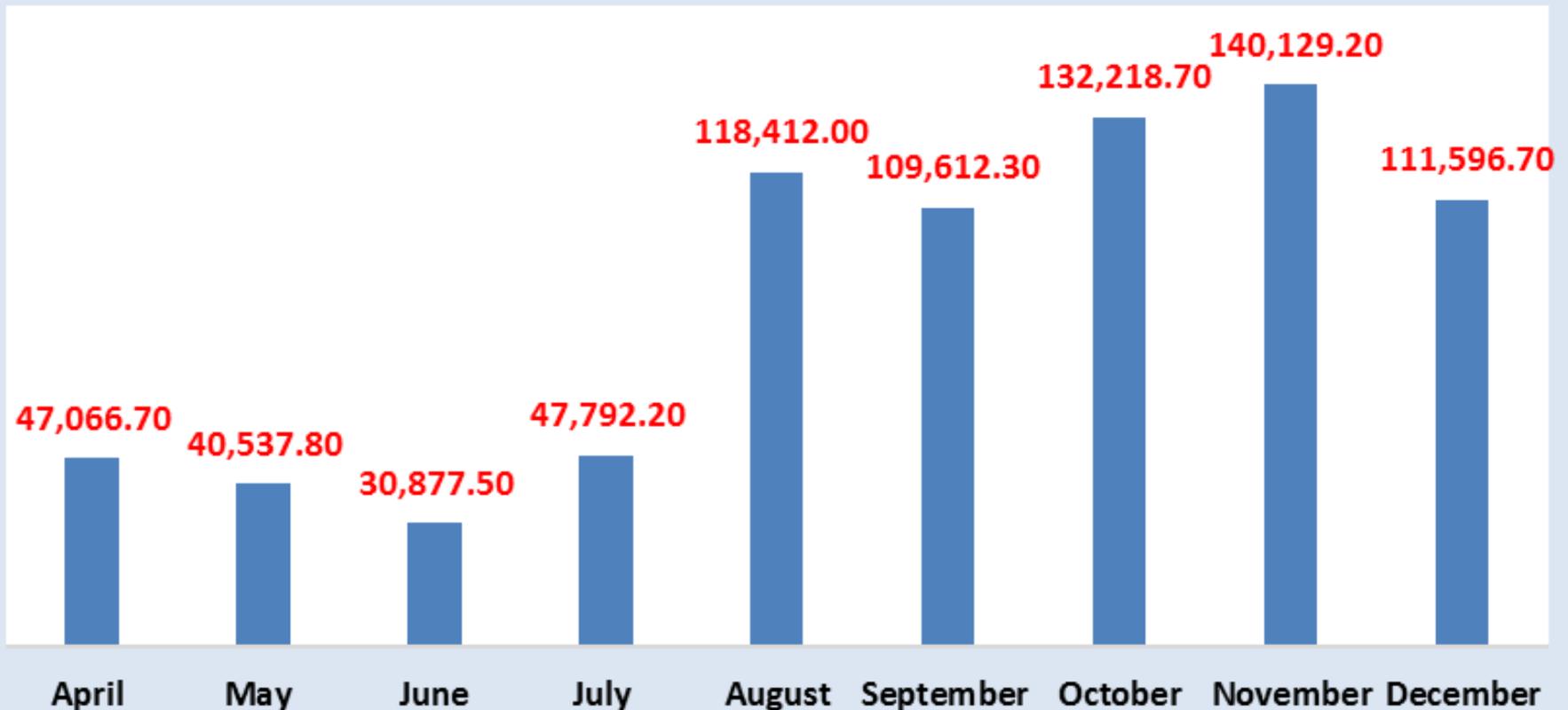
## 4.4 Day-ahead Market (DAM)

- The following members have been active on the market, BPC, CEC, EDM, ESKOM, SEC, NAMPOWER, ZESA and ZESCO.



## 4.4 Day-ahead Market (DAM)

Total Traded Volumes ( MWh)



## 4.6 Advantages of a Competitive Market

The creation of a competitive market would:

- ❑ Help to **optimise** the use of available regional resources
- ❑ Assist in determining correct pool electricity price
- ❑ Send signals for **investments** and real time utilization of existing assets; transmission, generation and consumption.
- ❑ Enable the demand side to respond to the supply side price signals.

## 5. CONCLUSION

1. Meeting a growing power demand in SAPP would require a **coordinated approach** in planning and implementation of both generation and transmission projects.
2. Generation and transmission **capacity constraints** are affecting bilateral and DAM trades.
3. SAPP has planned to commission approximately 18,000MW of generation capacity by **2019**. if commissioned, the **reserve margin will improve**.
4. A secure, reliable and developed regional integration would ensure **availability of power to all SAPP Members** via the established energy trading platforms.

# THANK YOU

