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**BCLME PROGRAMME**

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# **BCLME**

## **Programme Goal**

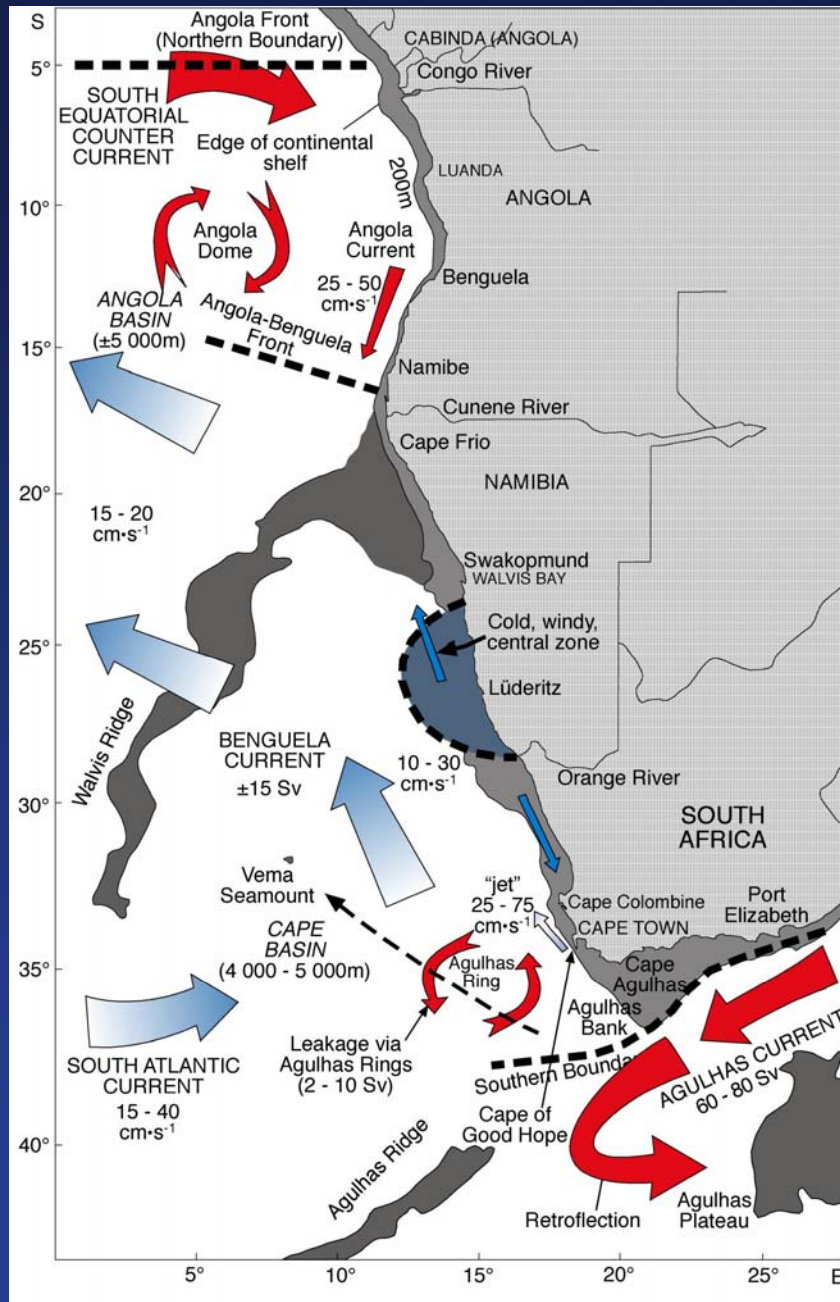
- **Integrated management, sustainable development and protection of the Benguela Current Large Marine Ecosystem**



# Benguela Current LME Programme

- **Countries: Angola, Namibia and South Africa**
- **Duration: 2002 - 2007**
- **Implementing agency: UNDP**
- **Executing agency: UNOPS**
- **GEF: US\$ 15,000,000.00**
- **In-kind: US\$ 18,000,000.00**





# BCLME Programme

## Focus of Activities

- **Productivity and Fisheries**
- **Environmental Variability and Predictability**
- **Seabed Mining (e.g. diamonds)**
- **Oil and Gas Exploration and Production**
- **Ecosystem Health and Pollution**
- **Socio-economics and Governance**
- **Capacity Building**

# Needs and Requirements for Region

- **Development of environmental early warning system**
- **Establishment of baseline**
- **Improving predictability of extreme events**
- **Harmful algal blooms**
- **Climate change**



# Addressing These Needs

- **A suite of priority projects have been developed and implemented**
- **Regional modelling capability is being developed**
- **Remote sensing capability are being developed**
- **Development of an EWS for BCLME is being fast-tracked**
- **Close links between the BCLME and GOOS and GOOS-Africa have been developed**
- **Partnerships with other regional and international organisations are being built**



