

The Saker Falcon Task Force

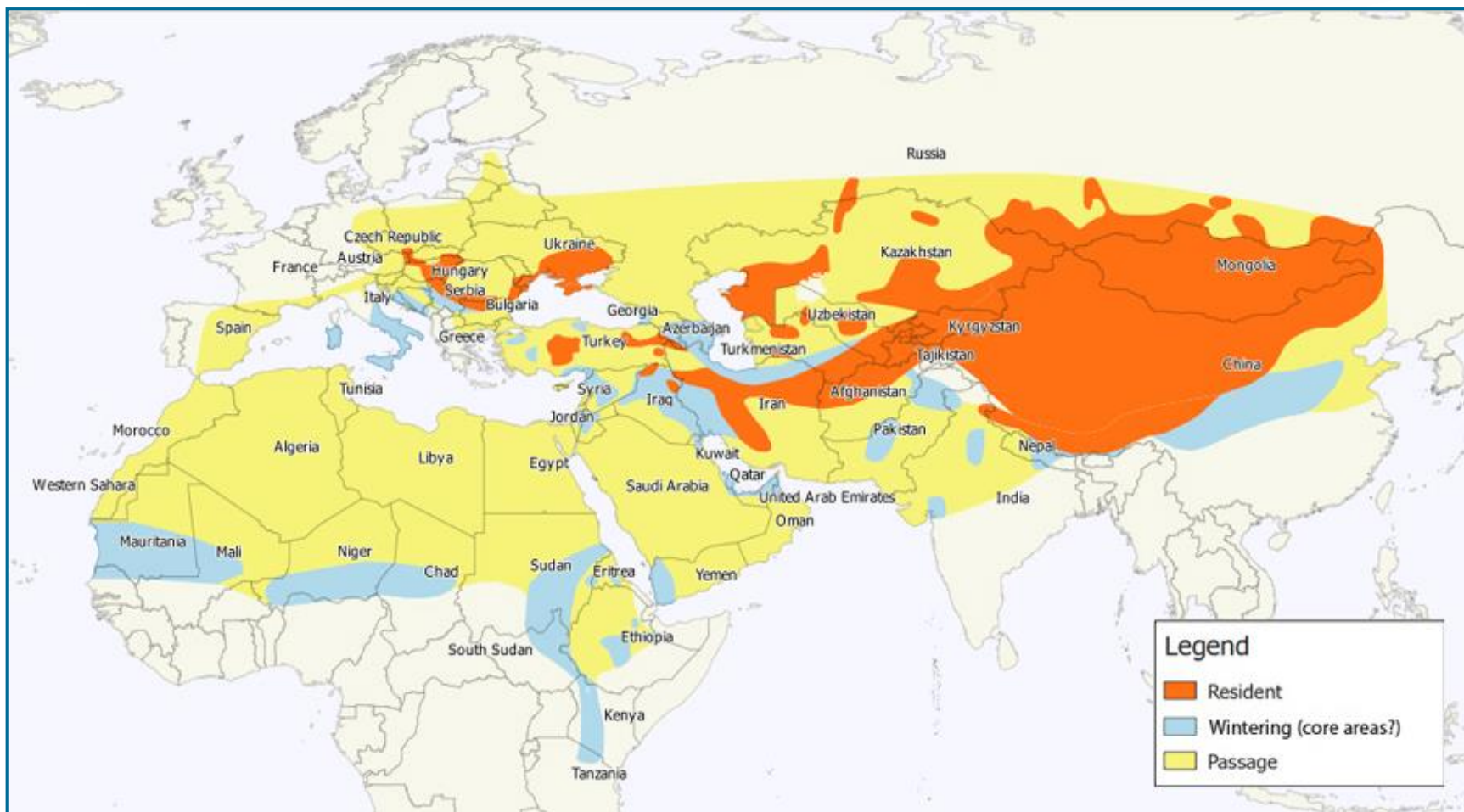


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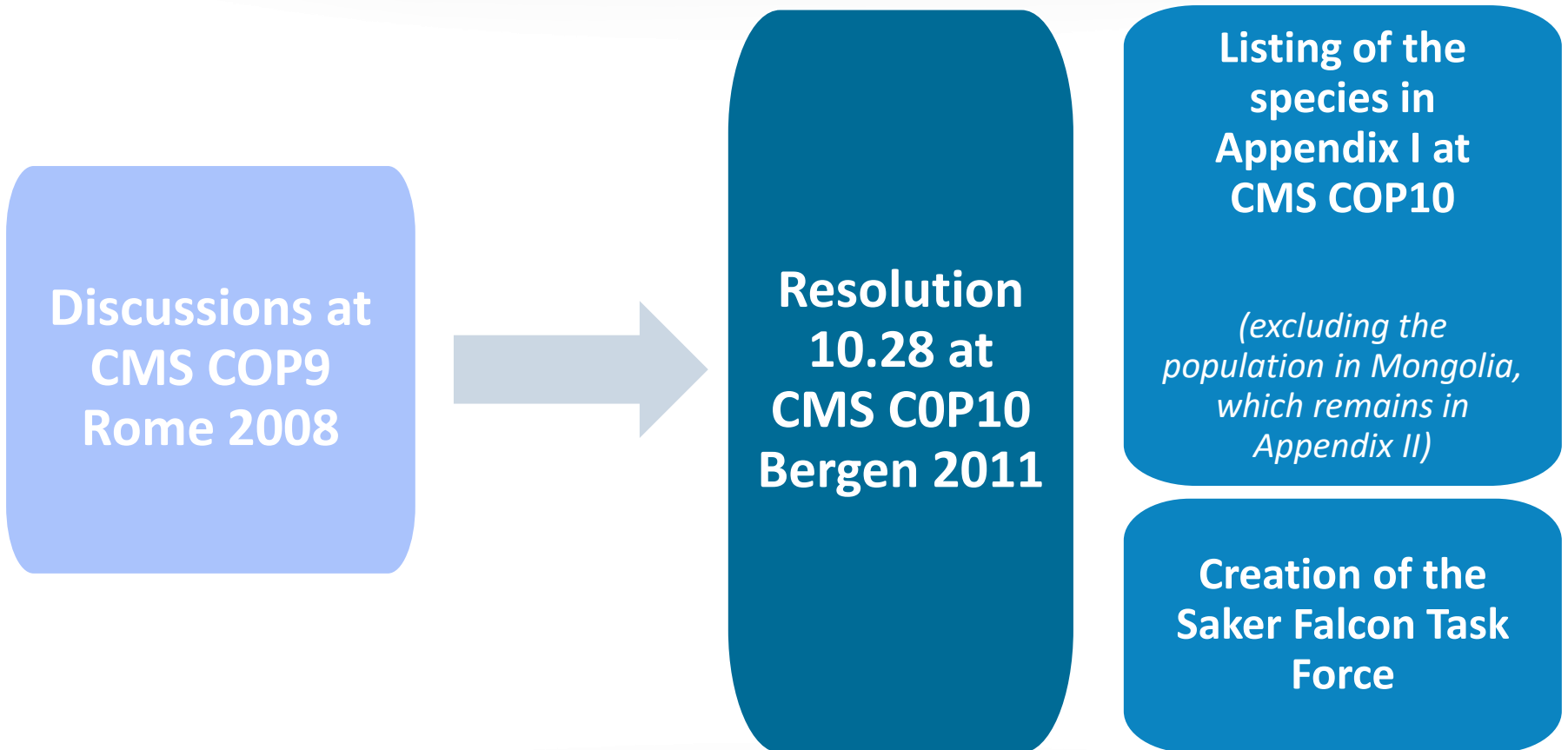
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Distribution Map of the Saker Falcon



Development of the Saker Falcon Task Force



CMS Resolution 10.28

Purpose of the Saker Falcon Task Force

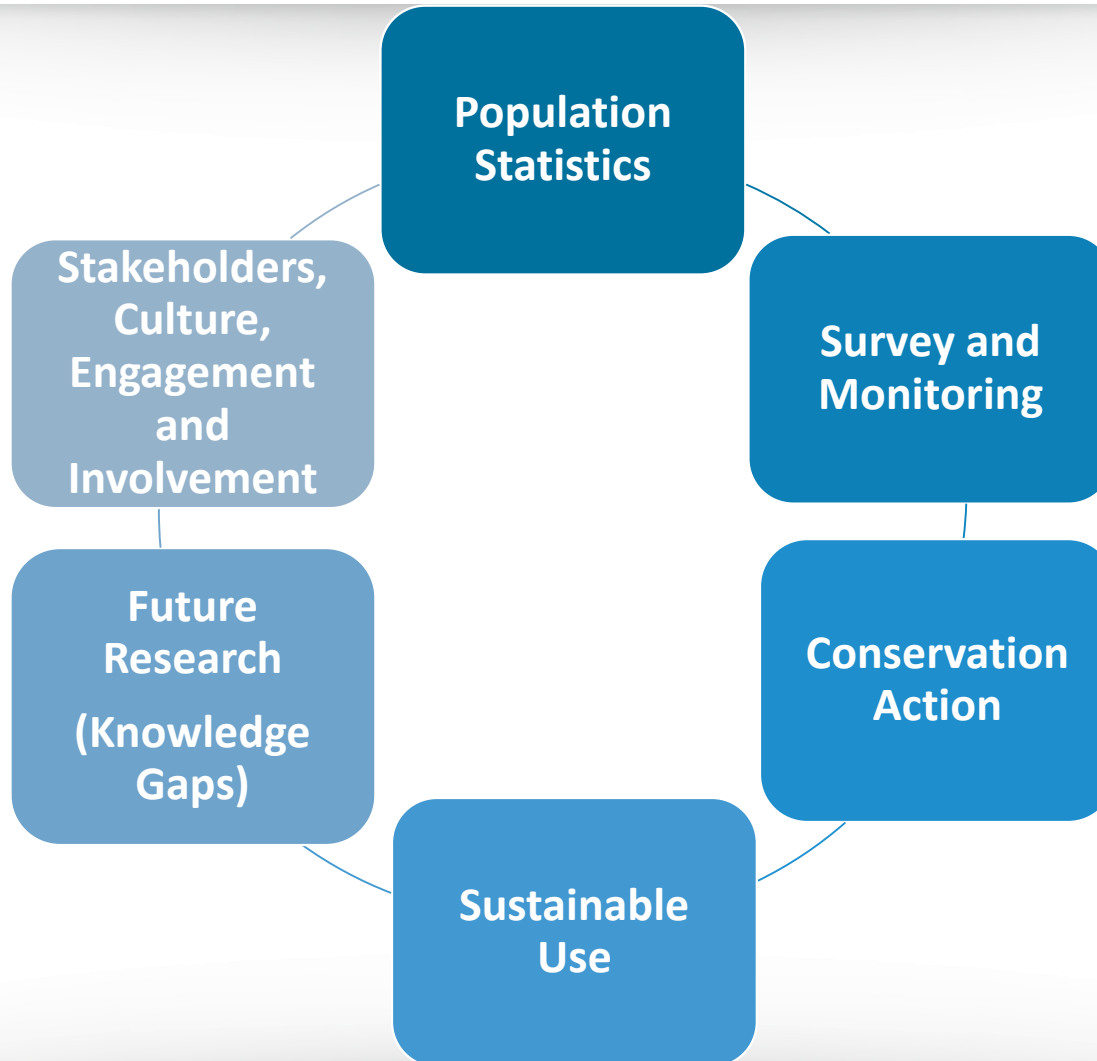
“...to bring together Range States, Partners and interested parties, to develop a coordinated Global Action Plan, including a management and monitoring system, to conserve the Saker Falcon.”

First Meeting of the Task Force



29 March 2012, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Key issues involved



Saker Falcon Global Action Plan (SakerGAP)



Holistic approach to developing the SakerGAP

Covers whole range, seasons and numerous issues

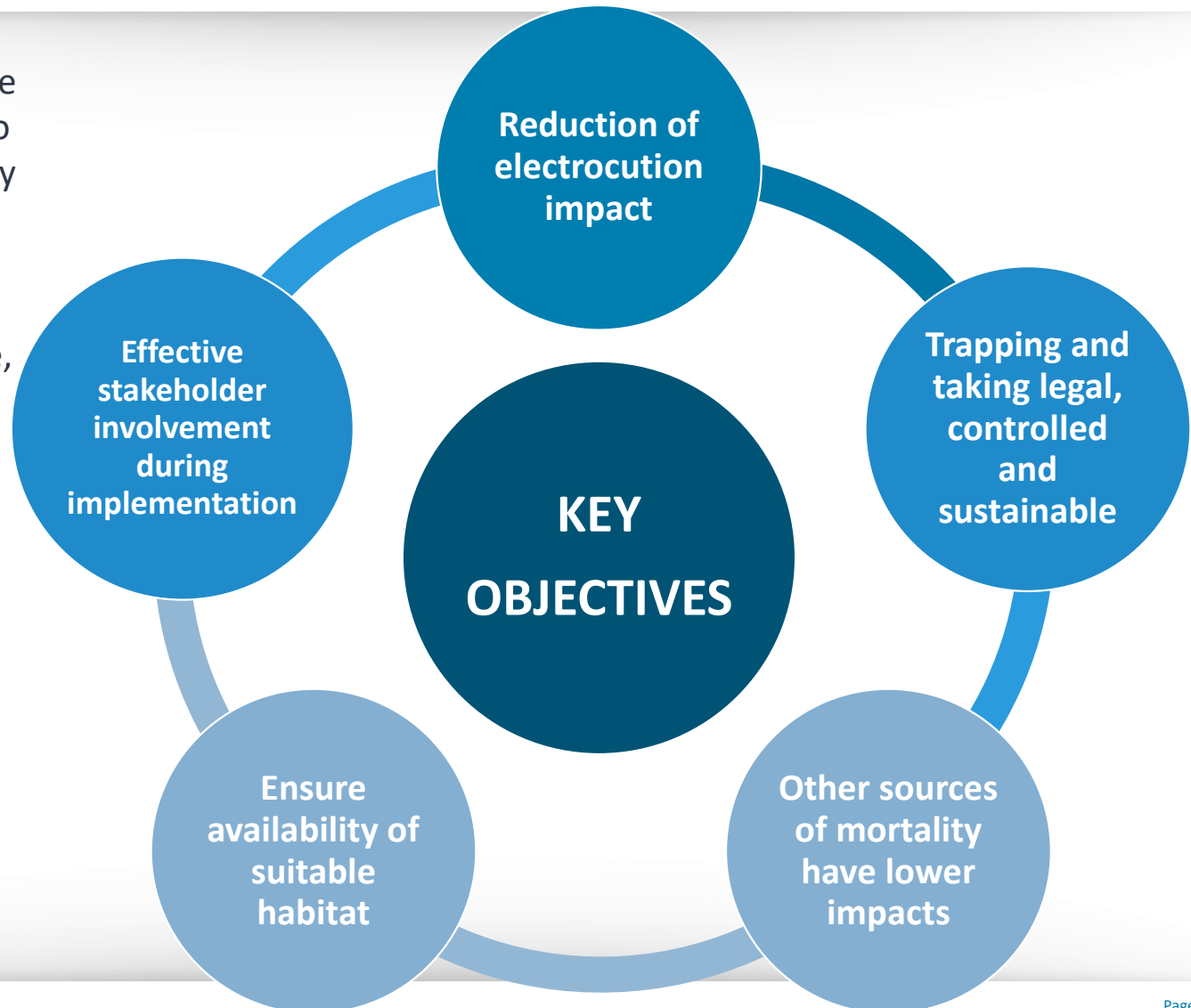
Focus on threats, knowledge gaps and actions

Incorporates an Adaptive Management Framework

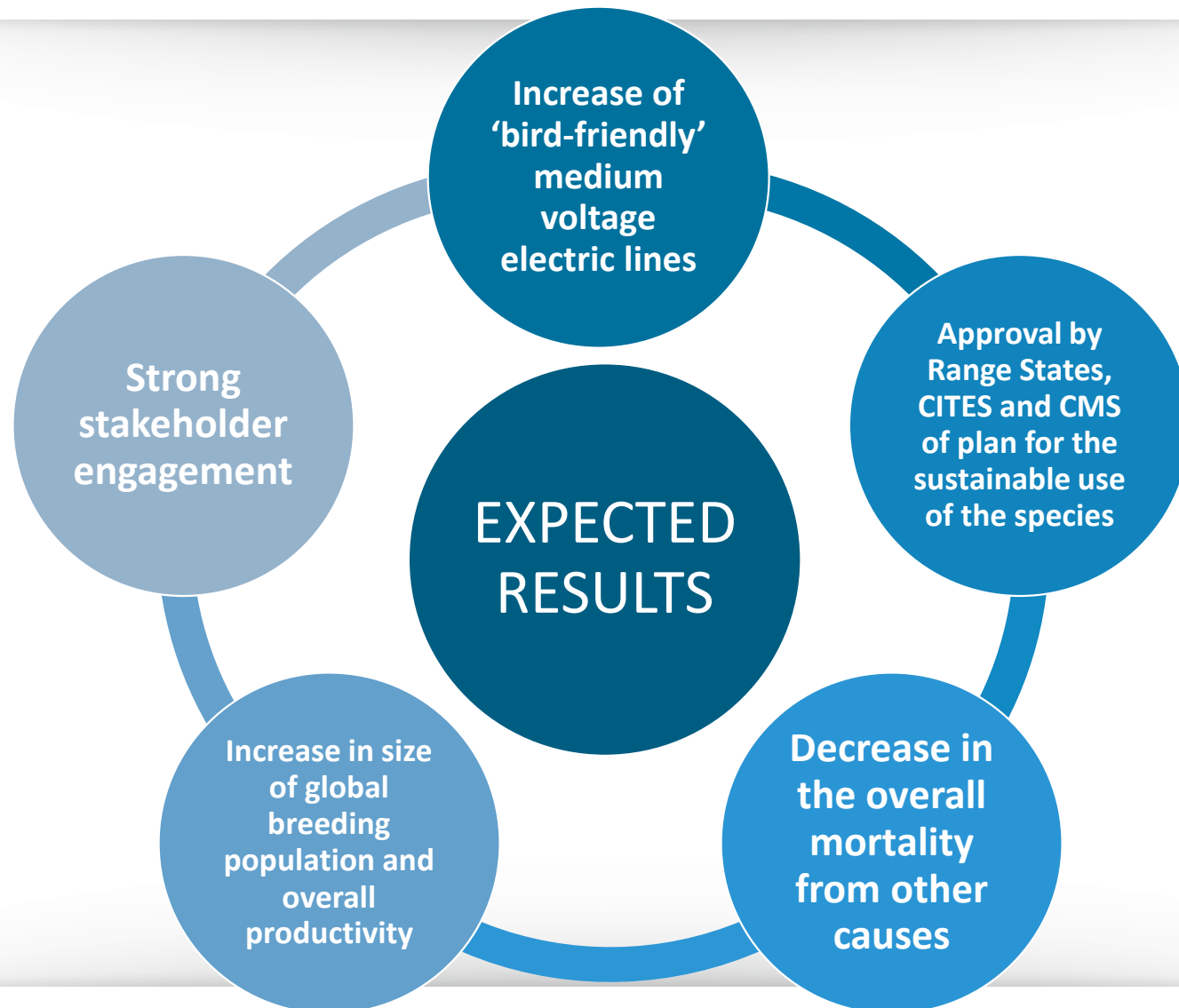
Resources – United Arab Emirates, European Union, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, CITES and CMS

Objectives of the SakerGAP

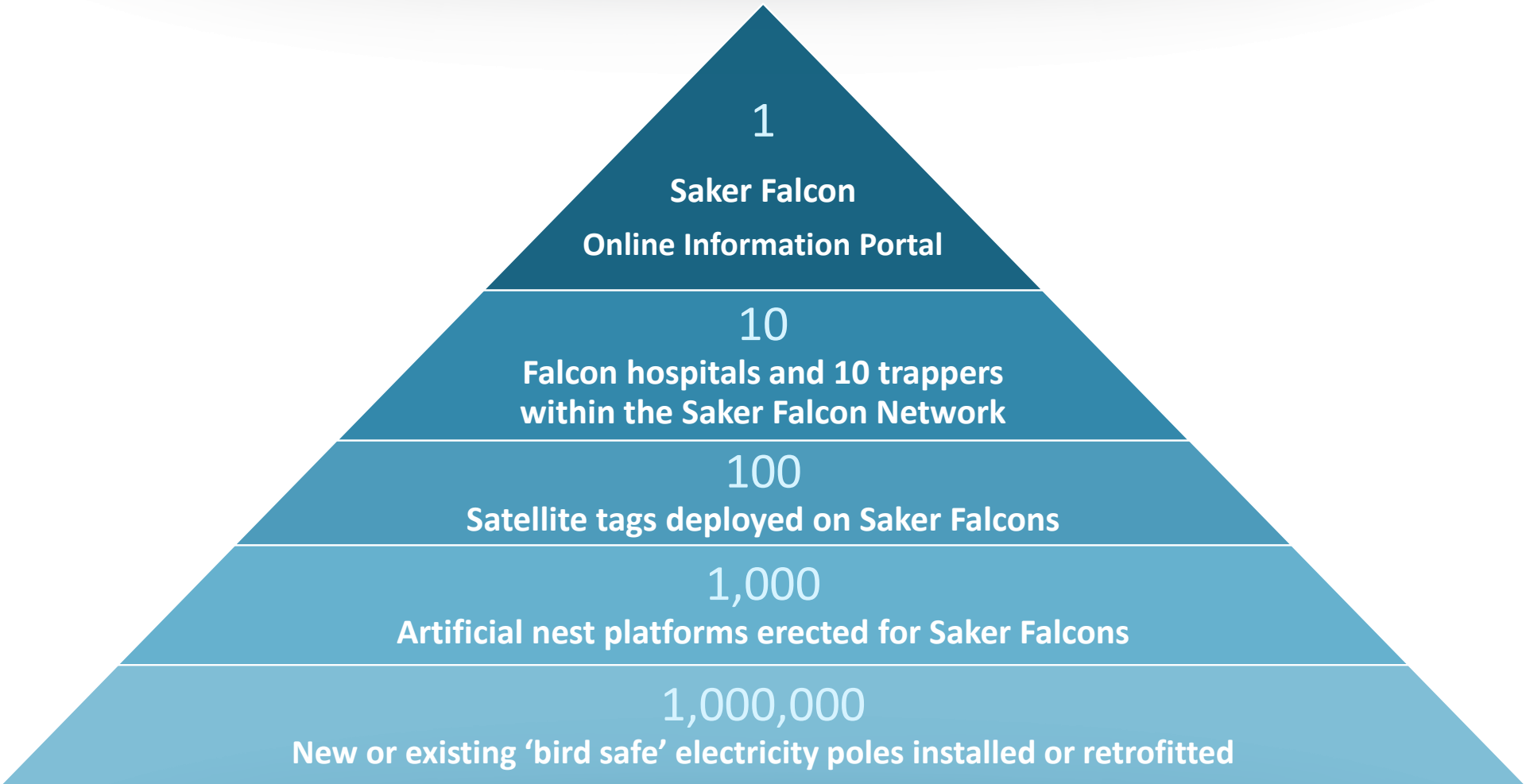
The Overall Objective of the SakerGAP is to re-establish a healthy and self-sustaining wild Saker Falcon population throughout its range, and to ensure that any use is sustainable.



Expected outcomes of the SakerGAP



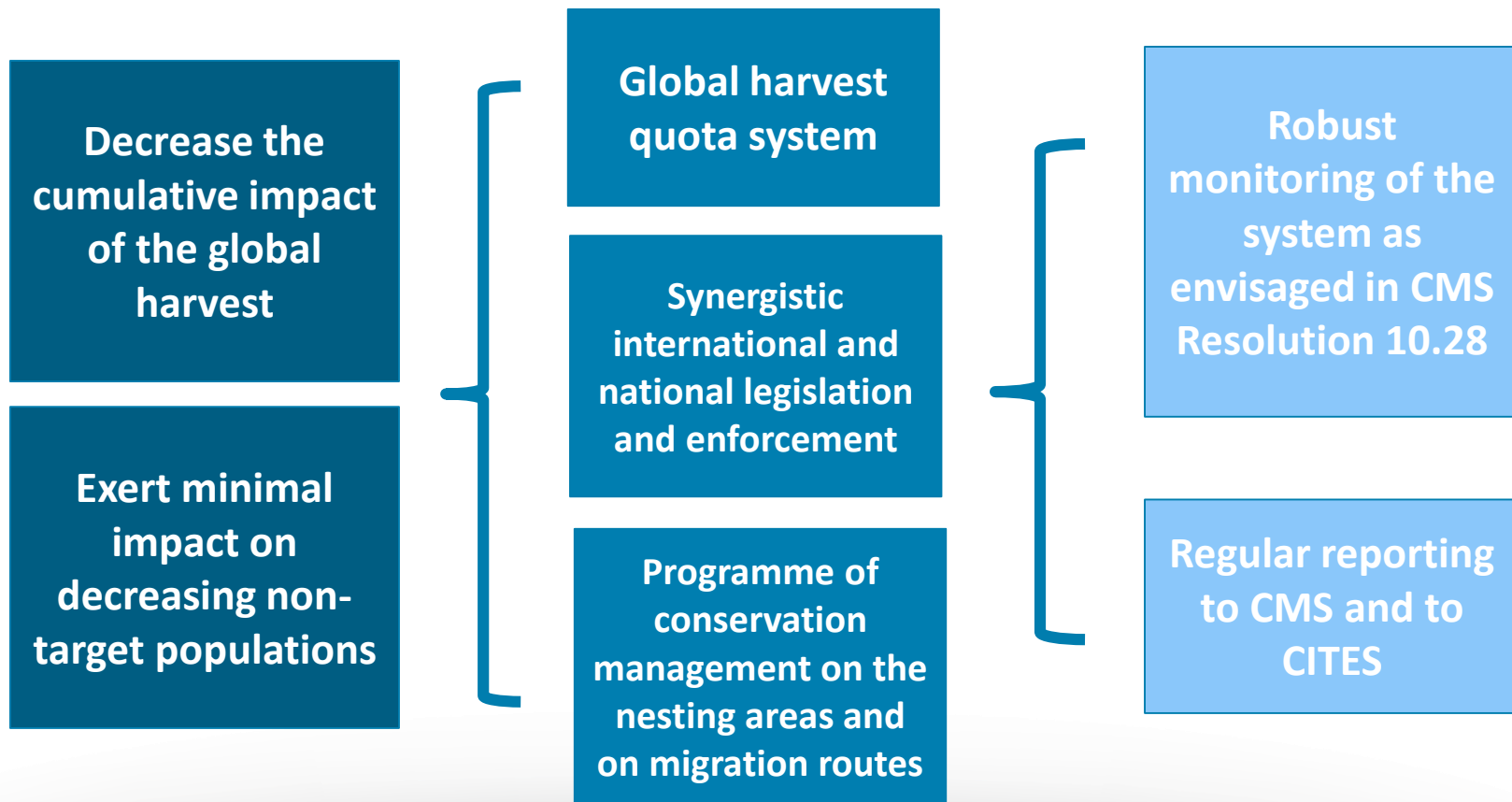
STF Flagship Proposals



SakerGAP Key Issue: Sustainable Use

Unregulated, illegal activity

Legal, sustainable harvest



The SakerGAP – why is it unique?



- Covers the whole global range of an Endangered species
- Is a product of an extensive consultation with stakeholders, with shared interests and responsibilities
- Carefully considers sustainable use as a conservation tool to combat illegal use and trade
- Applies Adaptive Management Framework according to CBD's Addis Ababa Principles and Guidelines

The SakerGAP could act as a model for other single species action plans?

SakerGAP

Adopt the 10-year SakerGAP (2015 – 2024)

Continue the overall Concerted Action process

Continue Task Force with revised remit to facilitate implementation

Agree reporting requirements

Promote widespread support for the work of the STF

Mobilise resources to support the implementation of the SakerGAP

Integrate the SakerGAP into national biodiversity and other plans

SakerGAP – After the CMS Conference of the Parties

New remit for the STF to facilitate and oversee implementation



Move to the full implementation phase



Resources?



Development of the management framework as envisaged in Resolution 10.28



Report to next meetings of CMS Scientific Council, Raptors MoU and to subsequent COPs



Importance of continued stakeholder engagement and involvement



Important next step for CMS in promoting recovery of the Saker Falcon

Thank you

