

# The Saker Falcon Task Force

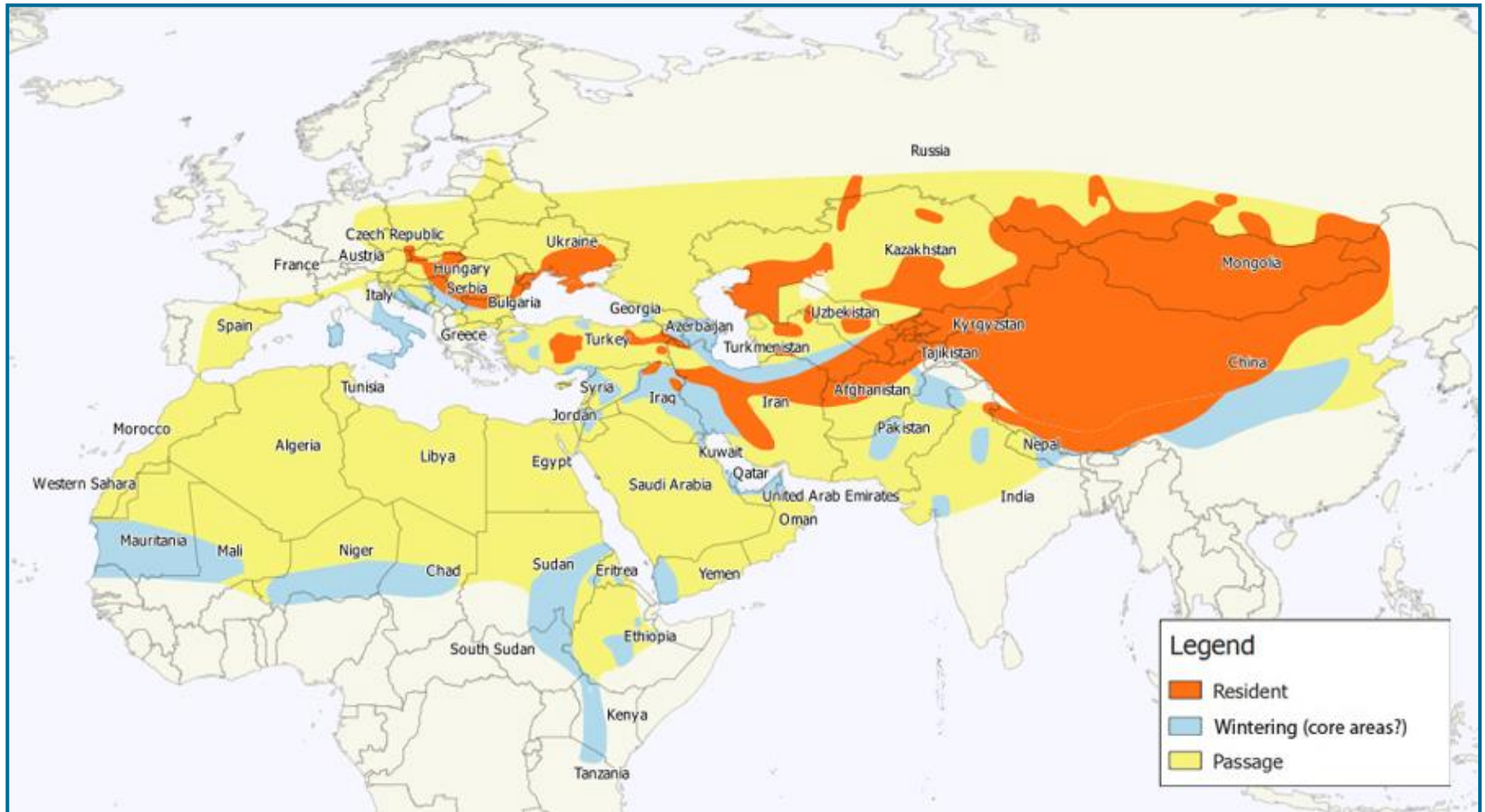


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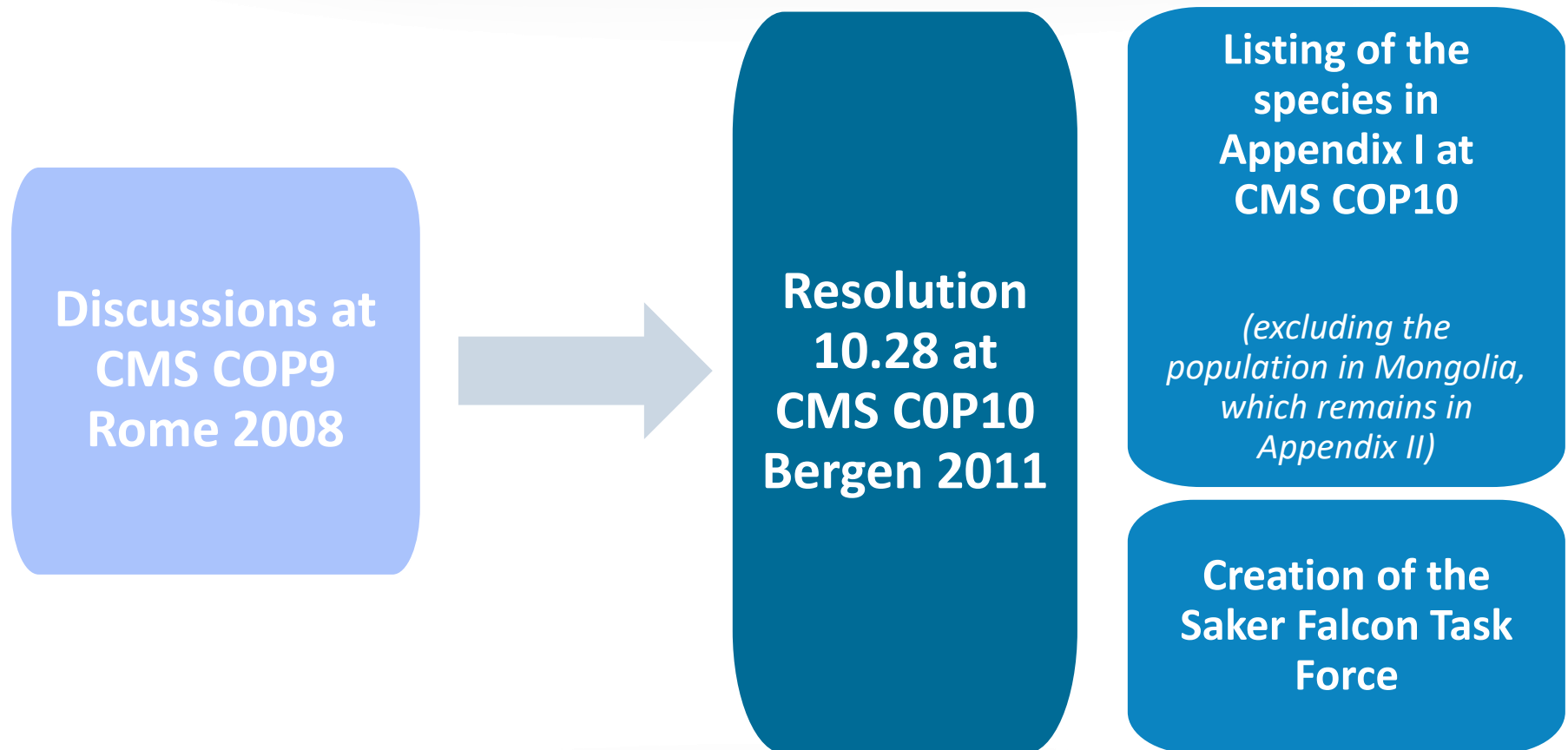
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# Distribution Map of the Saker Falcon



# Development of the Saker Falcon Task Force



# CMS Resolution 10.28

## Purpose of the Saker Falcon Task Force

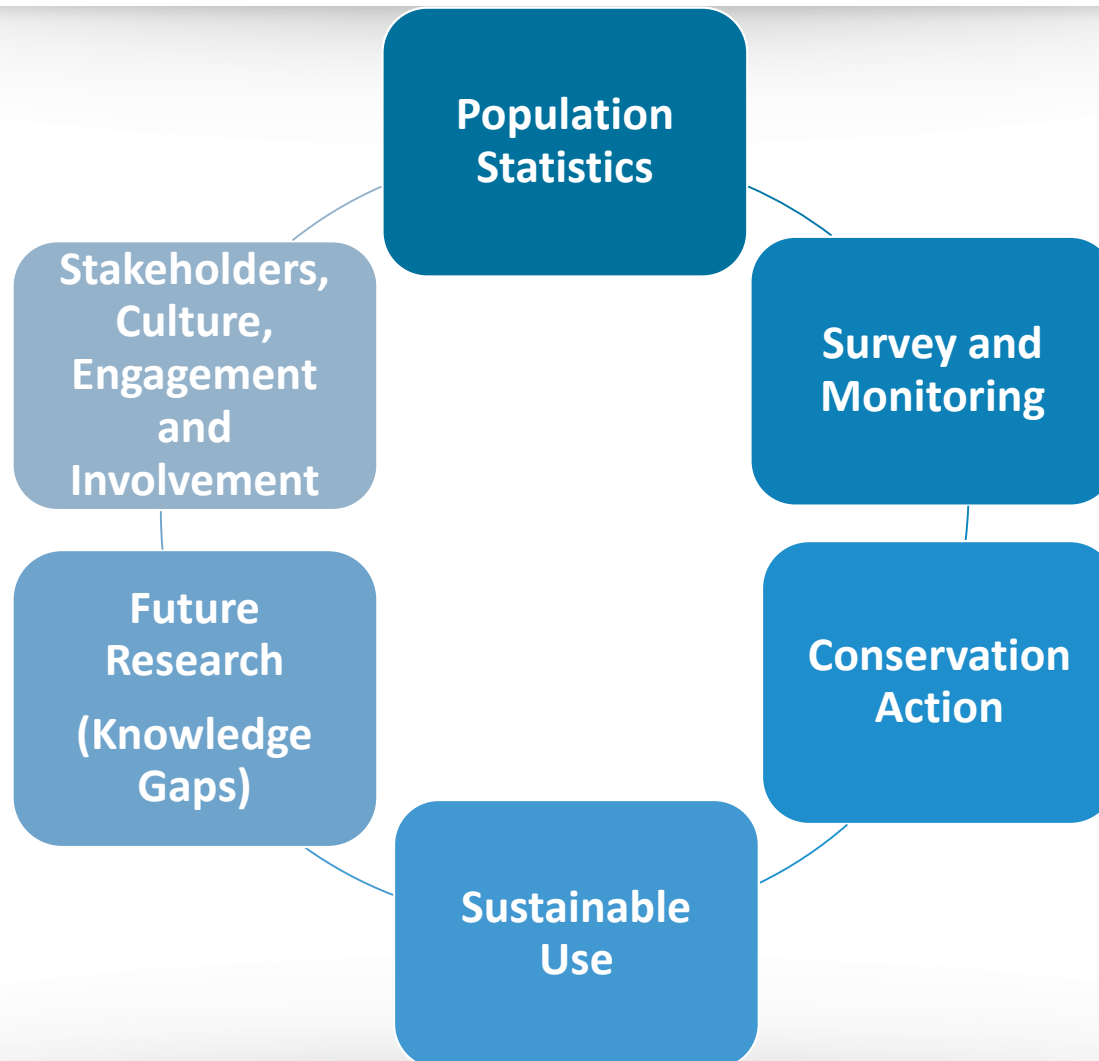
“...to bring together Range States, Partners and interested parties, to develop a coordinated Global Action Plan, including a management and monitoring system, to conserve the Saker Falcon.”

# 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

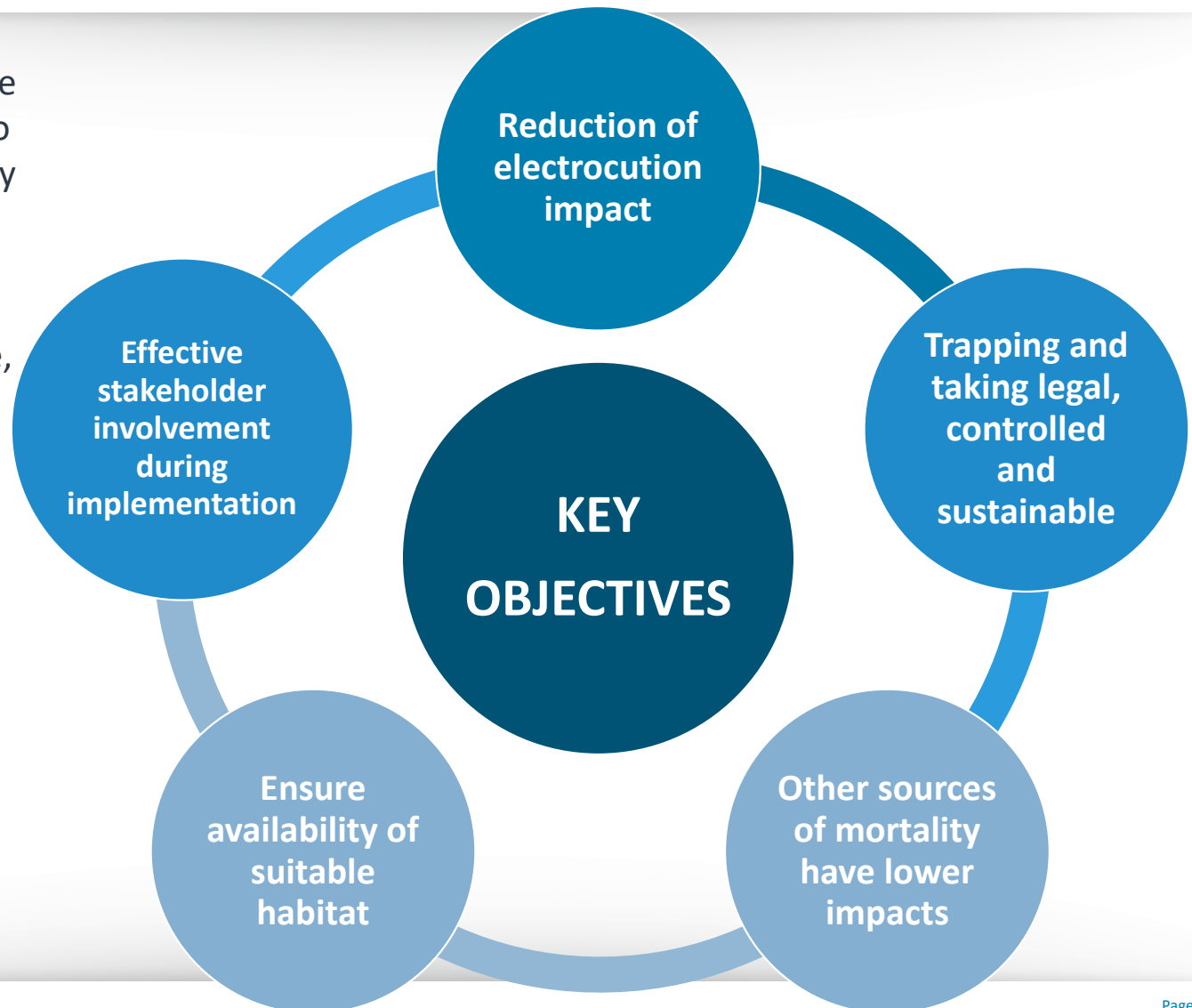
Focus on threats, knowledge gaps and actions

Incorporates an Adaptive Management Framework

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

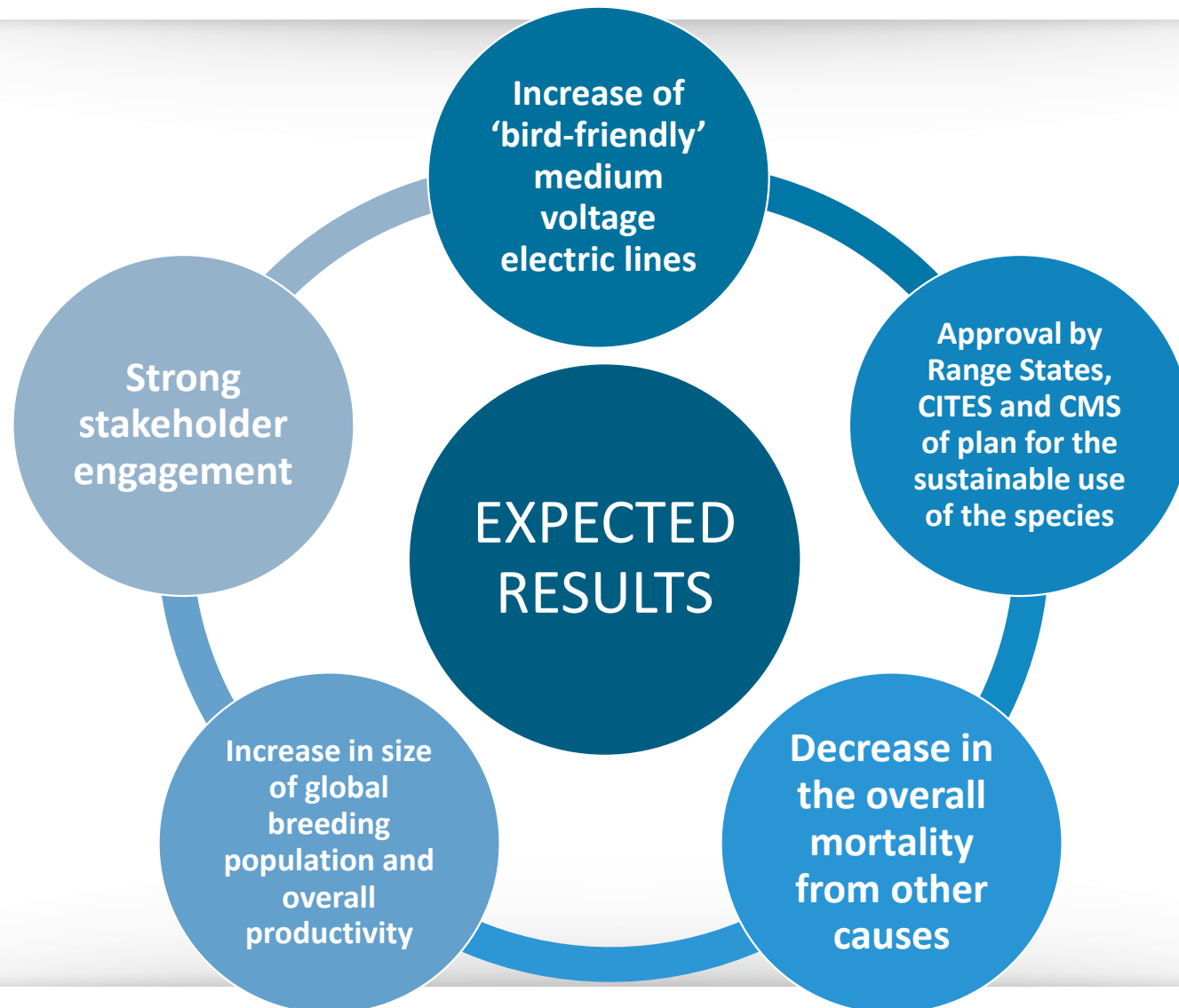
# Objectives of the SakerGAP

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.

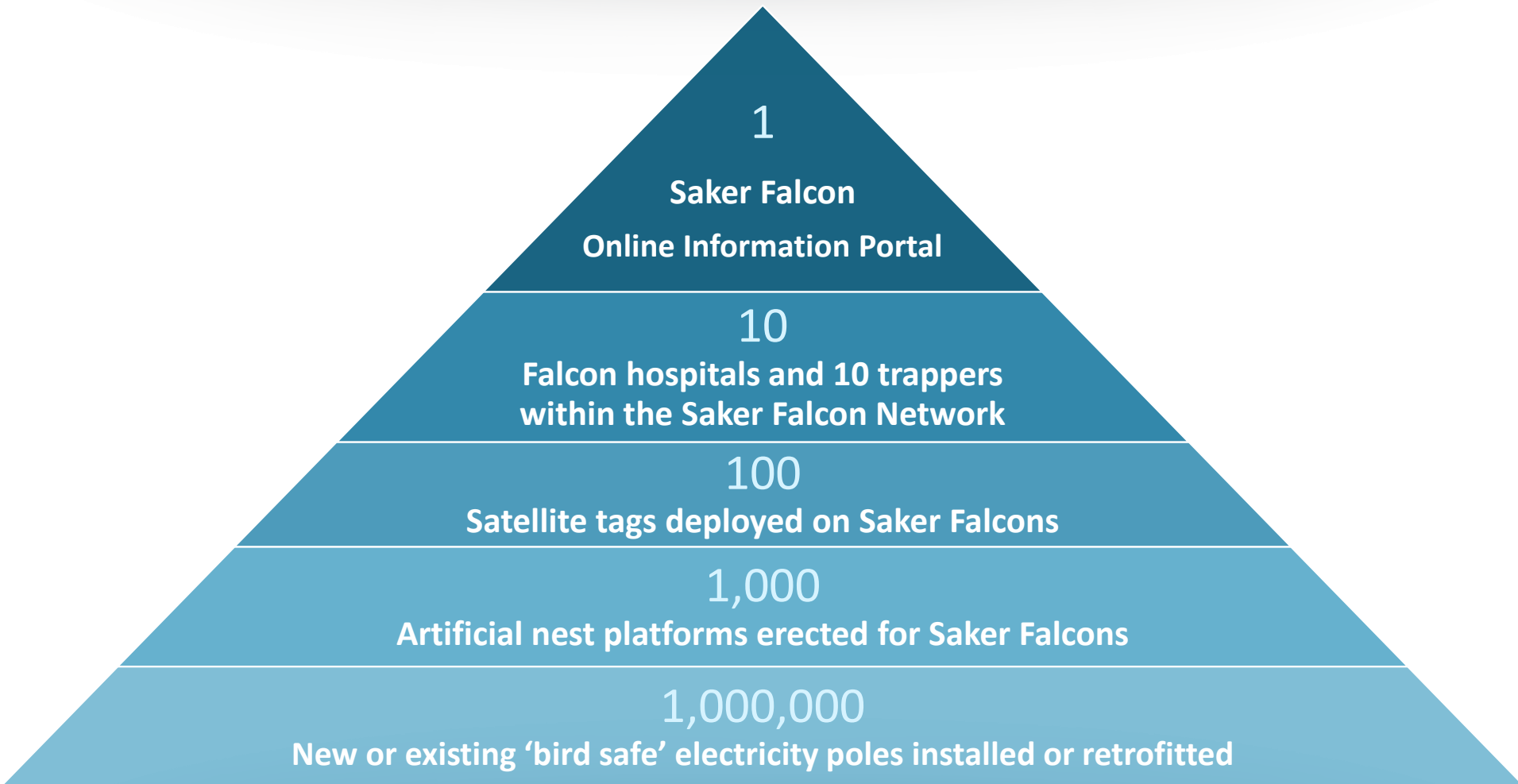




# Expected outcomes of the SakerGAP



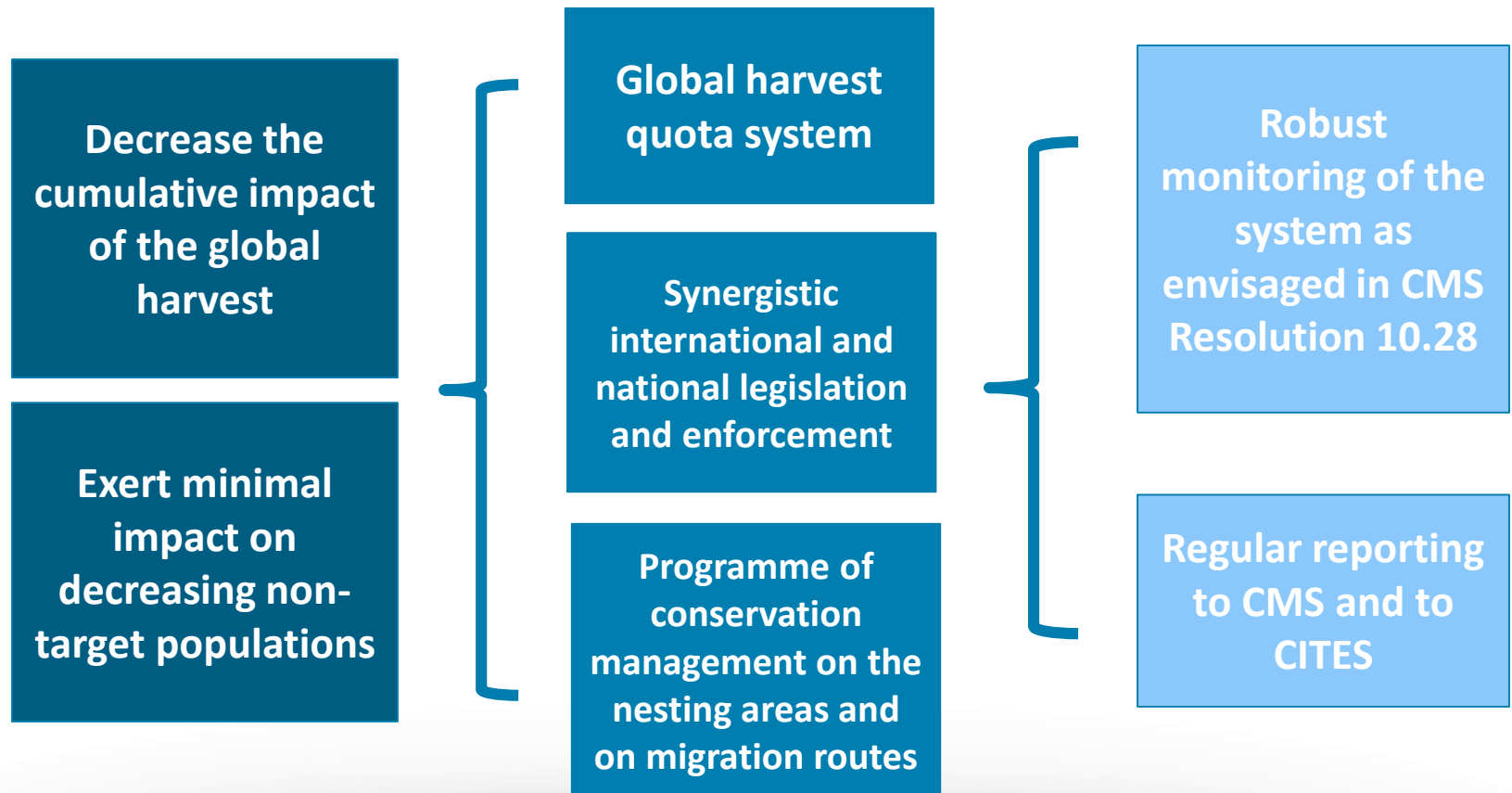
# STF Flagship Proposals



# 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

