

Mauritania small pelagics - purse seine

Overview

FIP Description

The Mauritanian Small Pelagic FIP was initiated by a partnership between the Mauritanian fishery authority, the Mauritanian oceanographic and fisheries research institute, local businesses, and international fishmeal and oil buyers. The fishery consists of artisanal and coastal purse seine and pelagic trawl vessels targeting round sardinella (*Sardinella aurita*), flat sardinella (*Sardinella maderensis*), a shared regional stock, and obo (*Ethmalosa fimbriata*) in Mauritanian waters zones 1, 2 and 3 in the Atlantic Ocean. The FIP aims to bring transparency and ensure sustainability of the resource. The IFFO-RS Standard was chosen as the benchmark for the assessment and work plan. The FIP aims to improve performance against these criteria, as Fishery Progress reports using MSC certification an analyses of IFFO RS versus MSC was carried out to translate the IFFO standard to MSC PIs.

This FIP has recently progressed to IFFO RS V2 and has created a new profile to reflect this new benchmarking and actions.

How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:



% of Indicators Tracked Basic FIPs may focus their workplans on a subset of the indicators. This shows the proportion of total indicators the FIP is working on.



Actions Progress This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.

0%

Actions Overview This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

Red Indicator Progress This shows the proportion of actions specifically addressing red indicators that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started. This helps users understand the progress the FIP is making on the biggest challenges in the fishery.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
0%	100%	0%	0%

FIP Progress Rating

C - Some Recent Progress

FIP Objective(s)

- Support the development of a framework and structures for the management of trans-boundary pelagic fish stocks in the region, or at least an arrangement for management coordination for stocks of sardinella and if necessary obo in the sub-region. Objective to be achieved by 2023.
- Improve the data available for stock assessment. Objective to be achieved by 2021.
- Improve management and application of existing legislation, or if necessary adaptation to new requirements, taking into account the precautionary approach. Evaluation of gaps to be completed by 2018, implementation of management plan by 2022.
- Improve information on the ecosystem / discards / endangered species/ecosystem and precautionary approaches. Existing data analysed and reviewed by 2018 and ecosystem model finalised and updated by 2020.
- Implementation of an effective monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) system. New MCS project underway by 2020, implemented by 2021.

FIP Type

Basic

FIP Stage

Stage 3: FIP Implementation

Start and Projected End Dates

August, 2017 -
January, 2023

Species

Common Name

Round Sardinella

Scientific Name

Sardinella aurita

Common Name

Flat Sardinella

Scientific Name

Sardinella maderensis

Common Name

Obo

Scientific Name

Ethmalosa fimbriata

Gear Type

[Purse Seine](#)

Location

FAO Major Fishing Area

[Area 34 \(Atlantic, Eastern Central\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Mauritania

Country Flag of Vessel

Mauritania

Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

High Seas Name

Atlantic Ocean

Estimated Total FIP Landings

300000 metric tons

FIP Leads**Organization Name**

Independent Consultant

Organization Type

Consultant

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