



Summary of Actions – Year 1 Milestones for 6-month Review

Following the agenda, the group reviewed the current status of the FIP at the FIP stakeholder meeting held in December 2017 and publicly available information available at Fishsource.org and Fisheryprogress.org. The group discussed who will be the coordinator in Mauritania and Dr Cheikh Baye was officially appointed as the main contact in Mauritania (in-country FIP coordinator).

Attendees

Attendee Name	Attendee Organisation	Role
Dr.Cheikh Baye Braham	IMROP	Implementer
Mr. Ejiwen	MPEM	Implementer
Mr. Ahmed Khoubah	FNP	Implementer
Mr. Abdel Kadher Mahmoud	SIPM	Implementer
Mr. Ahmedou Ould Tahleb	RIM Fish Meal	Implementer
Moustapha Bouzouma	IMROP	Implementer
Mr. Antoine Dangy	Olvea	Industry leader
Mr. Sidahmed Sidha	Olvea / Winterisation	Industry leader
Dr.Jo Gascoigne	Consultant	Scientific advisor
Ms. Carmen Gonzales	Sustainable Fisheries Partnership	NGO
Mr. Youssef Jaridi	Consultant	Coordinator
Mr. Iain Pollard	Key Traceability	Coordinator
Oumar Semany	MCP	Stakeholder

Summary of Actions

1. Support the CSRP to develop 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	
<i>Activity 1.1:</i> Support an appropriate regional body in developing the regional-level management of small pelagic stocks	<i>Year 1 Milestone</i> Ensure that the regional body has a mandate to obtain a result
<i>Activity 1.2:</i> Promote bilateral or multilateral agreements on management questions where necessary	
Update as of December 2017	Ministry believes that this is being done and will present on CSRP to demonstrate that Sardinella is being managed regionally at the planned meeting in March. Group to consider inviting CSRP representative to the next FIP meeting.
2. Improve the data available for stock assessment	
<i>Activity 2.1:</i> Defining the sardinella stock	<i>Year 1 Milestone</i> valuation of acoustic survey data gaps; Restart coordinated work on acoustic surveys at the appropriate geographic scale for the three stocks; Improve the protocol for size-frequency sampling.
<i>Activity 2.2:</i> Improve the acoustic survey frequency / methodology	
Update as of December 2017	Research programmes need to be improved. IMROP intends to work on this during January and present at the FIP meeting in March. Will identify weaknesses and make a plan for addressing them.



	There are no immediate budget needs but we will have an idea of costs in August 2018 (end of year 1) and can apply for funding at this time.
3. Improved management and application of existing legislation, or if necessary adaptation to new requirements, taking into account the precautionary approach	
<i>Activity 3.1:</i> Management plan for the sardinella fishery	<i>Year 1 Milestone</i> Evaluation of gaps in management and regulation
<i>Activity 3.2:</i> Management plan for the obo fishery	
<i>Activity 3.3:</i> Development of arrêtés and other legislative instruments to bring into force relevant legislation and policies	
Update as of December 2017	The Ministry explained about ongoing modernisation of legislation and will present on this at the FIP meeting in March. This will include an evaluation of the regulations (not independent) and Dr. Jo Gascoigne can review the results and compare it to Dr. Pierre Freon's assessment.
4. Information on the ecosystem / discards / endangered species / ecosystem and precautionary approaches	
<i>Activity 4.1:</i> Data collection on discards and endangered or threatened species interactions	<i>Year 1 Milestone</i> Existing data analysed and reviewed, and overlapping / cooperating projects identified; at-sea observation scheme developed; ecosystem modelling project developed Funding sources identified
<i>Activity 4.2:</i> Evaluation of the impact on the ecosystem	
Update as of December 2017	IMROP intend to carry out an analysis of data collection and create a plan for the ecosystem modelling project. This will be presented at the FIP meeting in March. It might look something like the Moroccan modelling for key LTL and we could invite Dr. Sylvie to comment on it.
5. Implementation of an effective monitoring, control and surveillance (MCS) system	
<i>Activity 5.1:</i> Compliance gap evaluation	<i>Year 1 Milestone</i> MCS gap analysis via an external, publish and independent analysis, leading to MCS plan. Identification of sources of finance.
<i>Activity 5.2:</i> Identify and coordinate with other relevant projects	
<i>Activity 5.3:</i> Support to improve compliance	
Update as of December 2017	The MCS system is performing well in the opinion of the Ministry. In the first 10 months of 2017 there have been 8500 checks and 762 boats arrested for a variety of seriousness. There needs to be an independent performance assessment (including VMS, radar, logbooks and introducing ER, for industrial vessels +14m, infractions reducing) undertaken as per the workplan. This could be undertaken as part of the German-sponsored project (ref. Ulf) and their experts carry out this analysis. Dr. Jo Gascoigne to connect with them and see if they can do the analysis.

