

Fisheries zonation audit in Mauritania

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Location: Mauritania

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Companies Involved: Canaest, S.L. In consortia with DD-Ecomar

Description

The fisheries audit in Mauritania main objective was to evaluate the coherence of fisheries zoning and particularly with reference to:

- The conservation of coastal habitats and resources (areas below 20 meters)
- Pacific cohabitation among different fishing techniques: industrial, artisanal and coastal fisheries,
- Zones and resources allocation benefiting the artisanal and coastal fisheries and developing fisheries (meadows)

A team of two experts SIG, two experts in fisheries techniques and a fisheries economist accomplished the study. The work was based on a survey done among fisheries actors in Mauritania and deskwork. A working group was organised to discuss the propositions. The outcomes of the working group and the conclusions of the audit were afterwards exposed and discuss in a final workshop.