Reinforcement of fisheries legal and regulatory framework in Guinea Bissau

Date: 2014-2015 Location: Guinea Bissau

Client: World Bank. West Africa Regional Fisheries Program (WARFP).

Description:

The objective of the technical assistance (in consortium with the company Agrer, Etudes et Conseils, Belgium) is to contribute to the strengthening of the Government of Guinea Bissau in regards to the management of fisheries resources.

To do this, the team of experts will work in the area of the legal and regulatory framework, including the review and eventual update of the General Law of fisheries and other rules and regulations concerning industrial and artisanal fishing as well as the system of monitoring, control and surveillance (SCS) and the inspection of fishery products.

The specific tasks are as follows:

- a) to make a diagnosis of the political, legal and regulatory framework on the use of fisheries resources.
- b) to develop a five-year Plan of Political Action and to review the institutional framework for the implementation.
- c) to make a study on the policy and regulatory frameworks needed to encourage entrepreneurs to invest in the country.
- d) to assist the Ministry of fisheries (SEP) to review/update the general Fisheries Act and regulations.
- e) to review the aspects relating to the regulations on industrial and artisanal fisheries, the SCS and the fishing products inspection systems.
- f) to support the SEP in the preparation of the annual management plans for coastal fisheries (shrimp, cephalopods and demersal fish)
- h) to provide technical assistance to the SEP for the coordination of donor interventions and for the establishment of fisheries agreements.