



Annual ATLAFCO/LDAC coordination meeting -2021 planed activities-



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2021 action plan



- The objective of the action plan is to define the orientations and the priorities to be undertaken with a view to **maximizing the socio-economic benefits of sustainable exploitation** of the fishery resources in the **African Atlantic region**.
- The strategic axis concern topics that **transcend national borders** and require a **committed regional cooperation and solidarity** between the States and between the regional institutions by pooling the efforts and means.





Conservation and sustainable use of fisheries resources



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- ❑ **Seminar on the Promotion of aquaculture for a better contribution to the Blue Growth Initiative:** maximizing the production through ecosystem approaches to aquaculture management.
- ❑ **Study on the use of FADs in artisanal and industrial fisheries in the ATLAFCO zone:** examination of the possibilities to reduce the use of FADs and ensuring sustainable exploitation of marine resources..
- ❑ **Study on the Compliance with the conservation measures adopted by ICCAT in the tuna fishery:** better application of conservation and management recommendations for tuna in the area.
- ❑ **Study for the realization of a Compendium of national fishing regulations of the Member States of the ATLAFCO zone:** promoting sustainable governance of fishery resources located in the ATLAFCO area, through better knowledge of the legal frameworks that govern fisheries activity in this area.





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- ❑ **Seminar on the Promotion of artisanal fisheries in Africa through sustainable management:** unlocking the potential of artisanal fisheries.
- ❑ **Various actions in favor of the media and communicators of the countries of the ATLAFCO area (seminars, awareness meetings, participation of African media in international fishing events):** understanding the challenges of sustainable management and exploitation of fishery resources.
- ❑ **Reflection workshop on the methods of improving essential environmental variables for effective monitoring of the impacts of climate change on fishery resources in the ATLAFCO region:** contributing to the improvement of data collection systems and to the visibility of regional fisheries and environmental databases, their harmonization and their use.



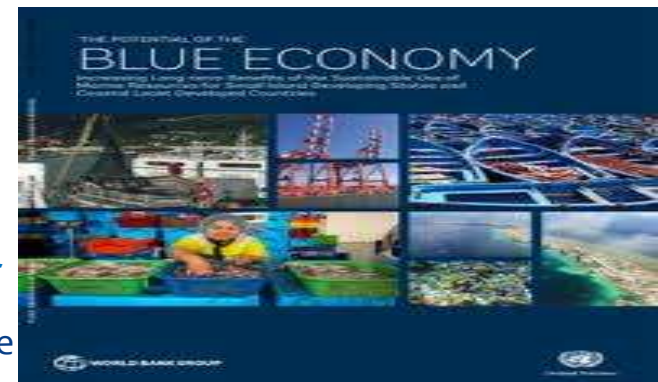


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- ❑ **Study, course, field operations on the Implementation of the training program for port inspectors:** Capacity building of ATLAFCO member countries in MCS of fishing activities.
- ❑ **Study, course, field operations on the Implementation of the training program for onboard observers:** Capacity building of ATLAFCO member countries in MCS of fishing activities.
- ❑ **Meeting debate on unlocking the full potential of the fisheries sector within the framework of a sustainable blue economy:** Identify the challenges and opportunities related to the sustainable exploitation of the potential of fisheries within the framework of the blue economy in the ATLAFCO region.
- ❑ **Exchange and awareness meeting on the principle of sustainable use for the conservation and development of living marine resources :** Better understanding and appropriation of the concept of the Sustainable Use of marine resources.

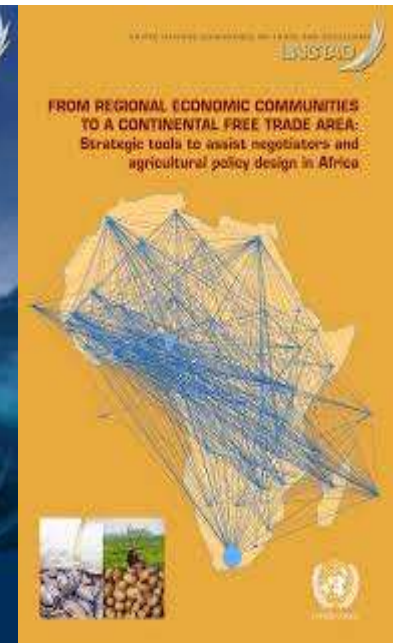




Improving the sector performance



- ❑ **Workshop/training on cooperatives: Towards the objectives of sustainable development for the benefit of women in the artisanal fishing industry in the ATLAFCO region:** raising awareness among women about cooperatives and their contribution to socio-economic development and the achievement of sustainable development goals.
- ❑ **Seminar/training on identification of potentials and development of new projects to promote local fishery and aquaculture products:** promoting the valuation and trade of fishery products.





Promotion of intra-regional trade of fishery products



- **Seminar/training** on identification of potentials and development of new projects to promote local fishery and aquaculture products: improving quality and product safety for better access to markets.





Strengthening ATLAFCO's group within international fisheries bodies



- ❑ **Participating in different international conferences and events dealing with fisheries activities (COFI, ICCAT, IWC...):** better involvement of MS in decision-making and the participation of ATLAFCO in the management of seas and oceans.
- ❑ **Symposium for the active participation of ATLAFCO member states in the international management of marine species:** awareness of the value of participating in debates on issues relating to the international management of marine species and identification of ways and means of strengthening the participation of MS in these debates.
- ❑ **Consultation and coordination meetings:** consultation on strategies for participation in international bodies on the management of marine species and the promotion of responsible and sustainable fishing.

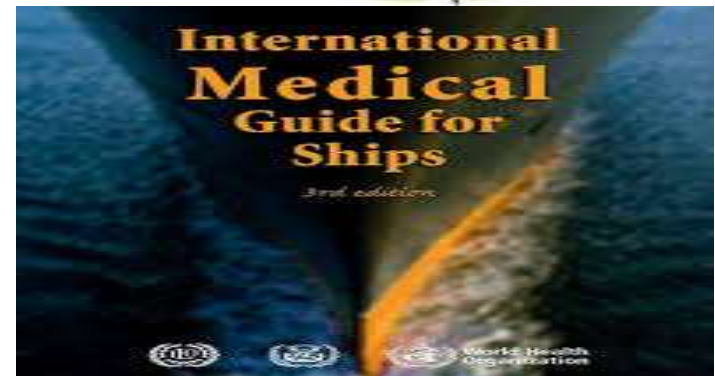




Maritime Safety and Security



- ❑ **Training session on the coordination of rescue operations**: improving the safety at sea by the coordination of rescue cases and management of distress at sea.
- ❑ **Awareness meeting on the need to develop efficient marine medicine in the countries of the Region**: Improving of the working conditions of fishermen.





Protection of marine environment

- ❑ **Reflection / awareness workshop on ways and means to fight against marine pollution:** mode of governance for sustainable fishing and aquaculture in a healthy marine ecosystem.
- ❑ **Seminar on fisheries and the new international instrument for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity BBNJ:** Awareness on the new international instrument for the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity in ABNJ.





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