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Enhancing Sustainable Fisheries Management and Aquaculture Development in Africa: *A programme for accelerated reform of the sector*

The project 'Enhancing sustainable fisheries management and aquaculture development in Africa: a progarmme for accelerated reform to the sector (FishGov 2) is a follow-up of the First phase of the Fisheries Governance Project (FishGov 1) that was implemented between 2014 and 2018 by AU-IBAR and AUDA-NEPAD with financial support from the European Union. The FishGov 2 project is also funded by the European Union. The project started in January 2021 and the duration is four and half years.

Overall Objective

It's overall objective is to enhance sustainable fisheries and aquaculture contribution to achieving the African Union's Agenda 2063's objectives and the Policy Framework and Reform Strategy for Fisheries and Aquaculture in Africa, notably food security, livelihoods, and wealth creation.

Specific Objectives

The specific objectives of the Project are:

1. African Union decisions on sustainable fisheries and aquaculture policies are evidence-based;
2. Fisheries and aquaculture policies in Africa are coherent with the Policy Framework and Reform Strategy for fisheries and aquaculture in Africa (PFRS) and other AU priorities and coordinated at continental, regional, and national levels;
3. Africa is adequately represented and effectively participates in international fisheries and aquaculture fora and ably domesticates relevant global instruments

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Outputs under each Specific Objective:

Specific objective 1: African Union decisions on sustainable fisheries and aquaculture policies are evidence-based;

Output 1.1 AU stakeholders have access to quality knowledge products on African fisheries and aquaculture

Output 1.2 Existing platforms and networks are reviewed, rationalized and operationalized for effective participation of stakeholders in policy development and implementation

Output 1.3 A solid reporting system to STC on the implementation of the PFRS is put in place and integrated to CAADP process

Output 1.4 Mechanisms are developed to ensure that sustainable fisheries and aquaculture are mainstreamed in the development of AU policies / initiatives affecting the sector

Output 1.5 Advocacy is improved and awareness created about the importance of sustainable fisheries and aquaculture

Specific objective 2: Fisheries and aquaculture policies in Africa are coherent with the Policy Framework and Reform Strategy for fisheries and aquaculture in Africa (PFRS) and other AU priorities and coordinated at continental, regional, and national levels;

Output 2.1 Capacities and systems for regional collaboration and integration regarding shared fisheries and aquaculture resources management are improved and linkages with environmental governance frameworks are enhanced

Output 2.2 Capacities of Member States, RECs and RFBs to develop realistic sustainable fisheries and aquaculture policies in coherence with the PFRS are strengthened

Output 2.3 Capacities are strengthened to facilitate intra and inter regional fish trade in line with the regional integration trade agenda and the Protocol on Trade in Goods of the Africa Continental Free Trade Area

Specific objective 3: Africa is adequately represented and effectively participates in international fisheries and aquaculture fora and ably domesticates relevant global instruments

Output 3.1 Capacities of AU Member States – including SIDS - in terms of international negotiations are increased and a mechanism is put in place to coordinate African common positions

Output 3.2 Mechanisms are put in place to encourage and facilitate the domestication of global instruments and initiatives at continental, regional and national levels

Output 3.3 Capacities of AU Member States are strengthened to effectively articulate African positions on fisheries and aquaculture in the AU-EU dialogue.

Implementation Mechanisms

The African Union-Interafrican Bureau for animal resources (AU-IBAR) is responsible for the overall management and coordination of the Action. The African Union Development Agenda (AUDA-NEPAD) is an implementing partner.

Beneficiaries and partners:

55 AU Member States, 8 Regional Economic Communities, Specialized regional institutions in disciplines related to fisheries, aquaculture and aquatic environment, Non-State Actors, Private sector, Civil Society Organizations, including women and youth,

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