



Senegal SFPA



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A new Sustainable Fisheries Partnership Agreement and a 5 year implementing Protocol were signed on 20 November 2014. A second Protocol was signed on 18 November 2019 and offers fishing possibilities for tuna. It includes a limited access to black hake, a deep demersal resource at levels in accordance with the requirements of the common fisheries policy (CFP).

In accordance with the Agreement and Protocol, the two Parties encourage scientific cooperation and consult a Joint Scientific Committee (JSC) to strengthen monitoring of the marine biological resources and to examine scientific questions relating to the implementation of the Protocol.

Main features of Senegal SFPA

Duration of the Agreement	Five years renewable (20.11.2014–19.11.2019)
Duration of the Protocol	Five years (18.11.2019—17.11.2024)
Nature of the FPA	Tuna Fishery Agreement with a limited demersal component (hake)
Financial contribution	€1,700,000 per year. Including €900,000 per year to the support of the fisheries sector
Fee for ship owners	<u>Tuna</u> : €80 the first three years, and €85 the last two years per tonne caught for purse seiners. For longliners and poles and lines, €75 per tonne caught. <u>Hake</u> : €95 per tonne caught.
Advances	Tuna seiners: €18,500 per year (ref catches: 231.25t) Pole-and-liners: €13,000 per year (ref catches: 173.33 t) Trawlers: €500 per trimester (max 2 vessels in the same period) Longliners: €3,525 per year (ref catches: 47t)
Reference tonnage (tuna)	10,000 t/year
Total allowable catch (hake)	1,750 t/year

Source: European Commission

Fishing opportunities

Gear	Flag	Number of vessels
Tuna seiners	Spain	16
	France	12
Longliners	Spain	3
	France	2
Pole-and-liners	Spain	8
	France	2
Trawlers	Spain	2



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Main target species

Deep demersal species-black hake

The 2019-2024 Protocol provides for fishing opportunities for two trawled EU trawlers targeting the two species of black hake (*Merluccius polli* and *M. senegalensis*).

The fishing zone accessible to these vessels corresponds to a depth of more than 200 m located on the Azores and the slope of the continental shelf lying off the coast.

In addition, the activity of these two EU vessels is governed by technical conservation measures on the composition of bycatch limited to a maximum of:

- 15% cephalopods
- 5% of crustaceans
- 20% of other deep demersal fish

The catches of the two EU trawlers authorized to fish deep demersal species are limited to 1,750 t of hake per year.

Highly migratory species-tuna

The reference level is set by the Protocol at 10.000 t per year for these 36 vessels. Other fleets than the EU, exclusively Senegalese, practice similar trades in Senegal's fishing zone.

Landings by foreign operators

According to the Protocol, pole-and-line vessels shall land the catches from the Senegalese fishing zones in the port of Dakar and may sell them to local businesses at international market prices defined on the basis of negotiation between operators. But it doesn't include any measures to promote the local market among the operators.

For vessels targeting demersal species, even though the Protocol doesn't include a specific clause, they used the port of Dakar for their landings due to its convenience. For purse seiners, the main port in the region is the port of Abidjan for logistic reasons, being the port of Dakar used only sporadically.

Source: Ex-post and Ex-ante evaluation study of the SFPA between the EU and Senegal, 2019

Catches

Category	FAO code	2015	2016	2017	2018	Mean
Trawler	HKM	1458	169	1884	60	893
	HKB	0	0	0	1177	294
	Others	116	38	223	116	123
	Sub-total	1574	206	2107	1353	1310
Pole and line tuna vessels	SKJ	4856	5589	3832	4829	4776
	YFT	1027	581	890	283	695
	BET	157	298	102	80	159
	Others	149	69	86	96	100
	Sub-total	6189	6537	4909	5288	5731
Purse seiners	SKJ	565	1415	2543	2543	1342
	YFT	180	740	206	46	293
	BET	33	56	130	18	60
	Others	43	96	89	45	68
	Sub-total	8584	9053	9985	7595	8804

Source: Ex-post and Ex-ante evaluation study of the SFPA between the EU and Senegal, 2019

Other fisheries agreements

Country	Signature of the fisheries agreements	Signing of the Implementing Protocol currently in force
In Force		
Mauritania	2001	2013
Cape Verde	1985	2004
The Gambia	2008	2010
Guinea Bissau	1978	2012 Extension until 31.12.2013
EU	Nov. 2014	2013
Sleeping		
Japan	1991	Protocol not renewed since, 2004

Source: v. Faulty (2014)



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