

**ENHANCING MARITIME SECURITY IN AFRICA:
WHOLE-OF-AFRICA MARITIME DIALOGUE 2019
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YAOUNDE ARCHITECTURE FOR MARITIME SECURITY AND SAFETY (YAMS)

CRESMAO

**AN OVERVIEW OF THE SITUATION IN THE
ECOWAS REGION**

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INTRODUCTION

MARITIME EVENTS

STATS

- Attacks, real, attempted, or perceived (IMO, MDAT-GOG)

NEWS:

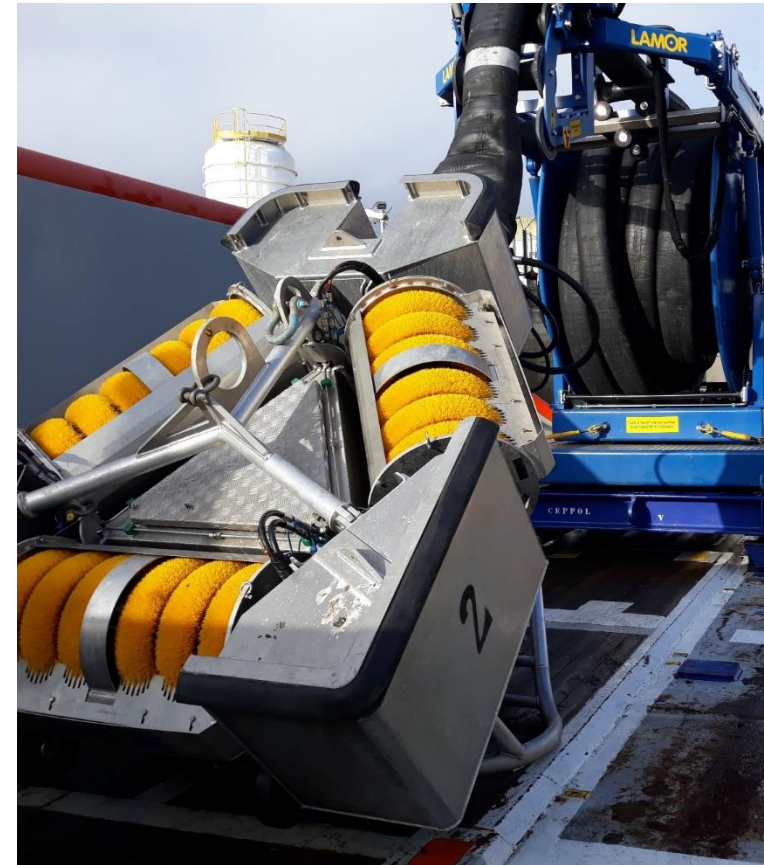
- Oil bunkering case, Gh-CIV maritime border, EEZ, dec 2018,
- 800kg of cocaine seized in Bissau-Guinea, 10/03/19,
- Oil spill toward french atlantic coastline after sinking of the Grande America, 12/03/19

And as we speak...

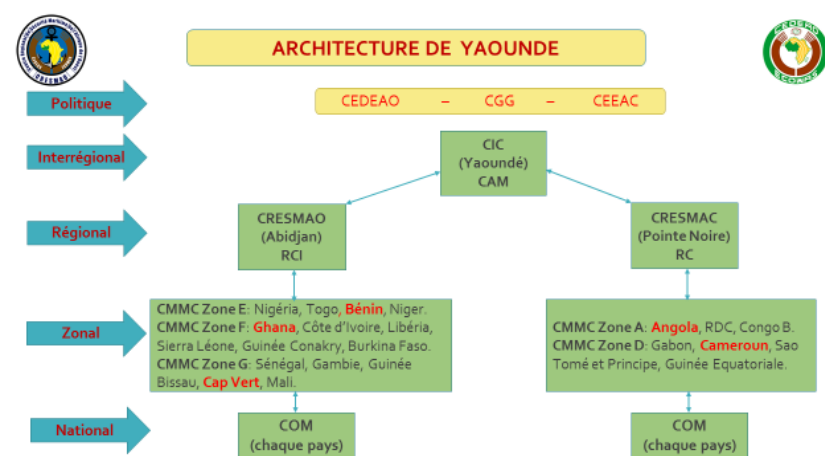
INCIDENTS ENREGISTRES AU COURS DE L'ANNEE 2018	
TYPE D'INCIDENT	NOMBRE
Attaque	23
Disparition	4
Pollution	1
Arraisonnement	1
Arrestation	1
Comportement suspect	3
Suspicion	1
Tentative de vol	2
Tentative d'embarquement	3
Appel de detresse	1
Détournement	3
Embarquement	2
Approche suspecte	2
Tentative d'attaque	2
Tentative d'arraisonnement	1
Immobilisation	1
TOTAL	51

QUESTIONS STILL AWAITING ANSWERS 6 YEARS OF YCC

- How well are we building up to cope with piracy ?
- Response in case of major pollution threat from oil spill ?
- Are we training for anticipation and interagency/partnership actions ?



REGIONAL RESPONSE: CRESMAO IN THE YAMS



- ❑ EXECUTION OF CRESMAO'S MISSION
- ❑ DRIVING PRINCIPLES AND MAJOR ACTIONS
- ❑ CHALLENGES AND WAY AHEAD
- ❑ A GLANCE AT NEW CONCEPTS

EXECUTION OF CRESMAO'S MISSION

MISSION STATEMENT

As part of the implementation of the ECOWAS Integrated Maritime Strategy (EIMS) and the Yaoundé Architecture for Maritime Security and Safety (YAMS), CRESMAO is to strengthen regional maritime cooperation, coordinate activities in maritime zones E-F-G and facilitate the sharing of information and experiences with the centers.

In its initial phase, contribute in the BUILDING of the YAMS IN ECOWAS REGION: Infrastructures, equipment, Staffing, Support, network.

EXECUTION OF CRESMAO'S MISSION

4 CRESMAO PROGRAMS, defined in line with ICC programs.

Program 1: Sharing with Centers and other actors

- Share infos, good practices, lessons learned, technology, experience.
- Getting more through giving: build a community with trust.

Program 2: Education and Training

- Professional education and training for the Centers, as well as other actors.
- Research and development, to promote a durable sea culture.

Program 3: Communication

While healing from sea-blindness, let's clear the sea fog for shared awareness on maritime issues.

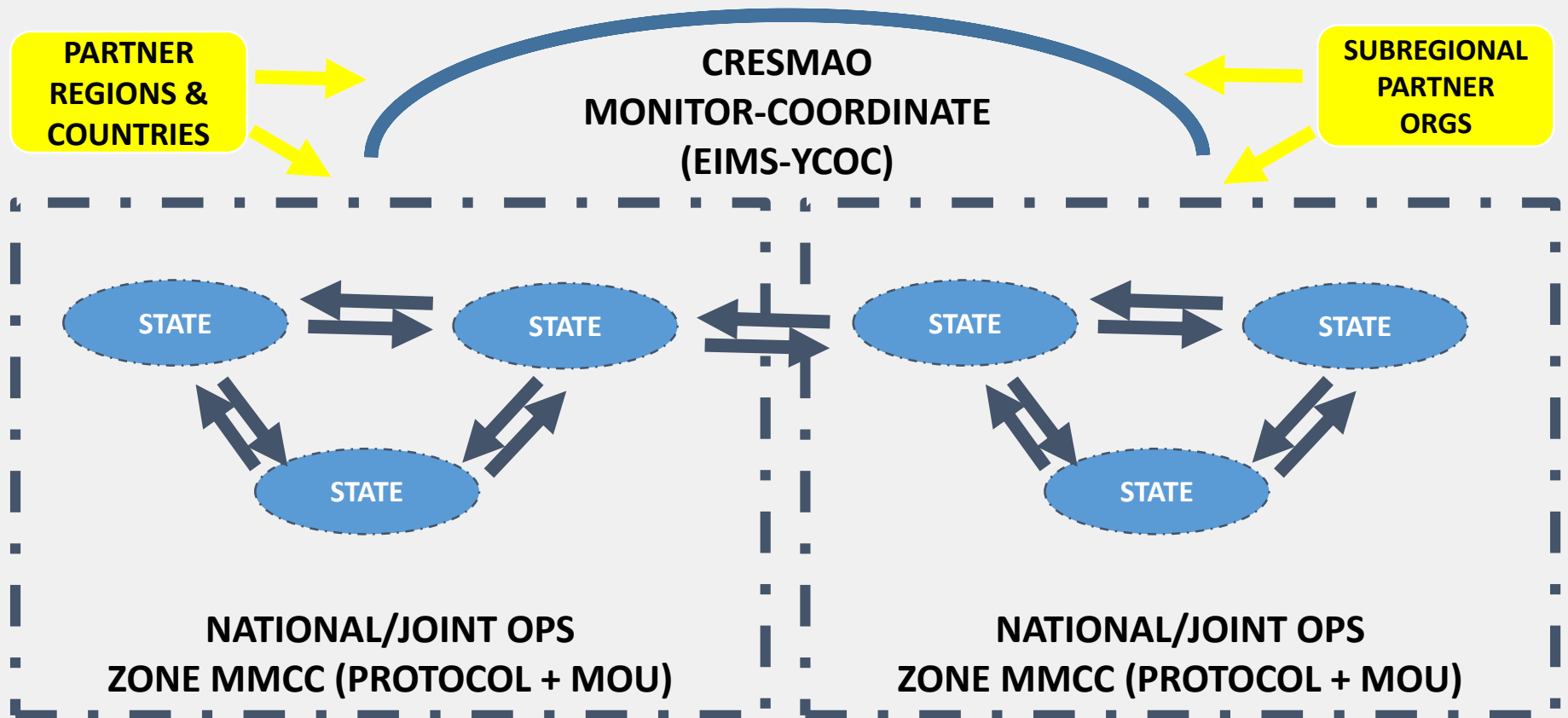
Program 4: Documentation

A step toward harmonization of legislations. Both physical and digital.

DRIVING PRINCIPLES

- **MEMBER STATES ARE THE PILARS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF THE MARITIME SECURITY SYSTEM IN ECOWAS AREA.**
- **YAMS CENTERS ARE ENTRY POINTS, PLATFORMS AND TOOLS FOR COOPERATION AND INTERAGENCY COLLABORATION REGARDING MARITIME SECURITY.**
- **OWNERSHIP & SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH APPROPRIATE PARTNERSHIP**
- **COMMUNICATE FOR MORE VISIBILITY AND AWARENESS ON MARITIME ISSUES**

**MEMBER STATES ARE THE PILARS FOR CONSTRUCTION AND
OPERATION OF THE MARITIME SECURITY SYSTEM
COOPERATION-MUTUALISATION**



INTERAGENCY, A PROVEN FORCE MULTIPLIER



The diagram illustrates a multi-level interagency coordination structure. At the top, a blue curved line arches over the text 'FACILITATING CONTACTS NATIONAL-ZONAL-REGIONAL-INTERNATIONAL'. Below this, two blue-outlined boxes represent different levels of coordination. The left box, titled 'NATIONAL PLATFORM (CIV-SEPCIM)', lists government bodies that coordinate actions: Navy, Customs, Fisheries, Police, and Shipping. The right box, titled 'REGIONAL/INT AGENCIES', lists various regional and international organizations: ECOWAS Regional Agencies, Sub Regional Fishery Orgs, Environment (UNEP, Abidjan Conv.), Association of Port Authorities, Shipping (MOWCA), Interpol, and Maritime Education (ISMI, RMU, CV Univ, KAIPTC...).

FACILITATING CONTACTS
NATIONAL-ZONAL-REGIONAL-INTERNATIONAL

GOVERNMENT COORDINATES ACTIONS

NAVY
CUSTOMS
FISHERIES
POLICE
SHIPPING

NATIONAL PLATFORM (CIV-SEPCIM)

ECOWAS REGIONAL AGENCIES

SUB REGIONAL FISHERY ORGS
ENVIRONMENT (UNEP, ABIDJAN CONV.)
ASSOCIATION OF PORT AUTHORITIES
SHIPPING (MOWCA)
INTERPOL
MARITIME EDUCATION (ISMI, RMU, CV
UNIV, KAIPTC...)

REGIONAL/INT AGENCIES

DRIVING PRINCIPLES



SHARING EXPERIENCE AROUND AFRICA (INDIEN OCEAN DJIBOUTI CODE OF CONDUCT)

MIGRANT CRISIS COULD BE DISCUSSED WITH MEDITERRANEAN COUNTERPARTS

TRAINING: LNO TO CUTLASS AND PHOENIX EXPRESS

DRIVING PRINCIPLES

NETWORKING WITH MARITIME SECURITY STAKEHOLDERS



HIGH LEVEL MEETING AND SHARING WITH PARTNERSG



DRIVING PRINCIPLES



COMMUNICATE FOR MORE VISIBILITY AND AWARENESS ON MARITIME ISSUES



TRAIN REGIONAL EXPERTS-STRATEGIC TO TACTICAL

REALISTIC TRAINING PLANNING-EXECUTION-ASSESSMENT



MAJOR ACTIONS IN 2018

COMISSAO DA CEDEAO

ECOWAS COMMISSION

COMMISSION DE LA CEDEAO



STAFFING MEETING ON THE ECOWAS MARITIME
COORDINATION CENTRES
Abidjan, 05-07 SEPTEMBER 2018

**EXPERTS MEETING FOR THE
STAFFING OF ECOWAS CENTERS,
ABIDJAN, 6-7 SEP 18
TORs TO BE FINILIZED**

BUILDING AND MANNING THE CENTERS, A COMMUNITY COMMITMENT



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

CONCERNING

IMPLEMENTATION OF JOINT MARITIME
OPERATIONS AND PATROLS

BETWEEN

THE MEMBER STATES OF THE "MARITIME ZONE E"
ECOWAS



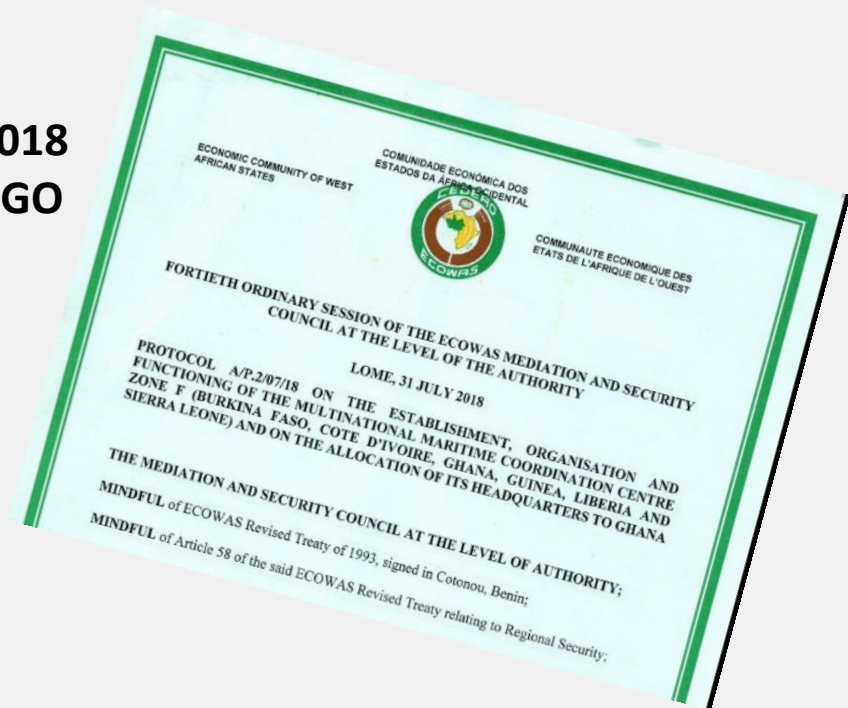
**ZONE E MOU FOR JOINT
OPERATIONS, COTONOU, 30
AUG 2018**

MAJOR ACTIONS IN 2018

ECOWAS CNS-CG SUBCOMITTEE CREATED,

**JULY 31, 2018
LOME, TOGO**

**PROTOCOLS FOR ZONES E-F-G, AND DECISION
FOR CRESMAO SIGNED BY ECOWAS,**



MAJOR ACTIONS IN 2018

STRENGTHENING COOPERATION

POINTE NOIRE, BREST, YAOUNDE, 3 ICC-CRESMs MEETINGS (DEC18-FEB19) FOR COORDINATION THROUGH A SHARED ANNUAL AGENDA AND MOUs WITH PARTNERS,

INTERAGENCY PARTNERSHIP-COOPERATION

- ENVIRONMENT, UNEP AND THE CONVENTION D'ABIDJAN (DRAFT MOU, NAIROBI)
- FISHERIES, WORKSHOPS & MOU FOR OPS /IUU WITH FCWC (TEMA), DISCUSSIONS WITH SRFC (DAKAR)
- BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF TRANSNATIONAL CRIME THANKS TO UNODC AND INTERPOL
- REACHING OUT TO THE SHIPPING COMMUNITY VIA MOWCA
- SWAIMS, PESCAO PROJECTS/PROGRAMS

CHALLENGES AND WAY AHEAD

MDA AND INFO SHARING TECHNOLOGIES: AN EXPERT BOARD TO ASSESS AND SUBMIT OFFERS TO MARITIME STAKEHOLDERS

ENHANCING COMPLEMENTARY OPS CAPACITIES FOR GOG STATES: SUPPORT THE COST, SHARE THE LOAD

LANGUAGE

- CHOSING A COMMON OPS LANGUAGE IN THE GOG
 - ENHANCING COMMUNICATION AND INFO SHARING THROUGH BILINGUAL SKILLS
- (Zone E & F - 02; G - 03)

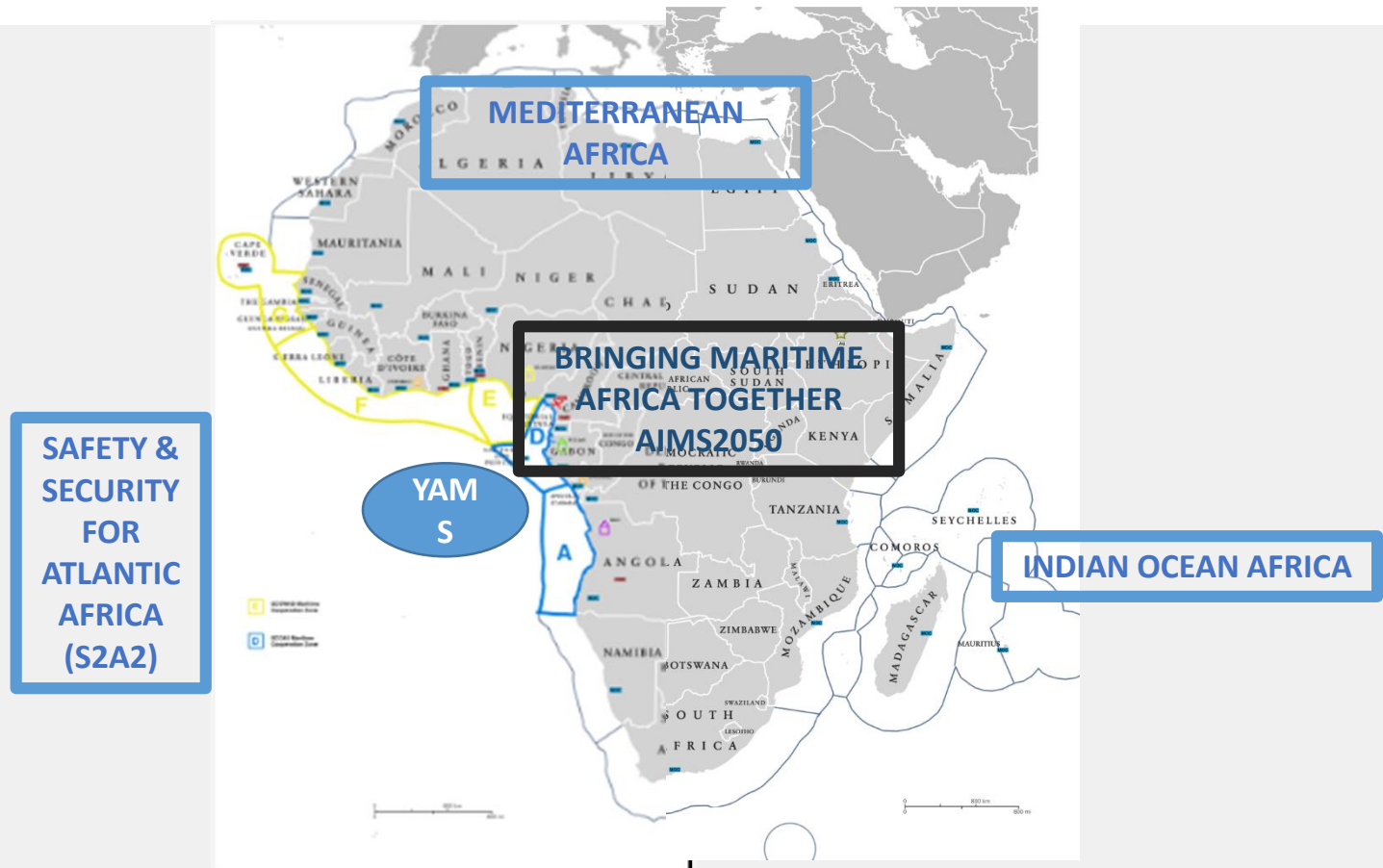
A COMMON BASIS FOR MARITIME EDUCATION

- SKILLS
- ANALYSTS
- MEDIUM-HIGH LEVEL CURRICULUM

CHALLENGES AND WAY AHEAD

- **ZONES COMMITTED TO ENGAGE IN JOINT OPERATIONS**
 - ✓ Zone E: MoU for joint ops signed by Navies+Niger Gend (2d semester 2018);
 - ✓ Zone F: MoU for joint operations drafted by Navy experts, in Accra, march 25-28, with support from Zone E experts;
 - ✓ Zone G: contact taken april 2019, Dakar, to schedule meeting for the same purpose.
- **CENTERS TO BE MULTINATIONALLY MANNED BY END 2019**

A GLANCE AT NEW CONCEPTUAL APPROACH



SAFETY & SECURITY FOR ATLANTIC AFRICA (S2A2)

Purpose of conceptualization :

- **Broaden the scope for a more inclusive strategic approach, taking into account the continuous maritime area:**
 - North of GoG, Morocco & Mauritania engaged into operational cooperation (ex fishery protection);
 - South of GoG, Namibia & South Africa, geographic/economic continuum (SADC with Angola);
- **Clear semantic confusion associated with the term 'West Africa'** used by some partners to designate the whole Atlantic side, whereas the term 'West Africa' in French designates the ECOWAS region.
- **economic and security issues, mechanisms for cooperation.**

SAFETY & SECURITY FOR ATLANTIC AFRICA (S2A2)

Morocco
Mauritania
Senegal
Cabo-Verde
Gambia
Bissau Guinea
Guinea
Sierra Leone
Liberia
Cote d'Ivoire
Ghana
Togo

Benin
Nigeria
Cameroun
Equatorial Guinea
Sao Tome-&-Principe
Gabon
Republic of Congo
Dem. Rep. Congo
Angola
Namibia
South Africa



SAFETY & SECURITY FOR ATLANTIC AFRICA (S2A2)

MOROCCO SHOWING INTEREST ABOUT ATLANTIC AFRICA THINK TANK'S WORK ON SUBJECT, 2015

Ce paradoxe soulève des problèmes spécifiques: comment se présente la façade atlantique de l'Afrique en théorie ? Quels sont les différents facteurs qui appuient l'importance stratégique de cet espace ? Quelles sont les tendances lourdes de la dynamique géopolitique de cet espace ? Quelles sont les réponses des États riverains ? Quels scénarios d'évolution pour l'institutionnalisation du processus afro-atlantique ?

C'est pour répondre à cette problématique que l'OCP Policy Center a organisé dans le cadre de ses activités de recherche académique le colloque sur « la façade atlantique de l'Afrique : un espace géopolitique en construction », le 25 mai 2015. À l'issue de ce colloque, une édition des actes a été unanimement souhaitée. C'est chose faite.

Nous avons conçu ce colloque dans une perspective de rapprochement et de dialogue entre professeurs et doctorants dans un cadre africain. Notre schéma de pensée a toujours été de penser l'Afrique à partir du continent, à travers un prisme africain, sans occulter son interdépendance avec le reste du monde. Ce schéma transposé à la façade



CONCLUSION

2019 is expected to be a completion year, 6 years through the YCOC, centers to be manned and operating. Centers to play their role as platforms for interagency cooperation (national, zonal, regional, international), promote and facilitate mutualisation.

Maritime issues should be addressed through a broader spectrum of space and topics, thus the development of new conceptual approaches.

'Together, let's clear the sea fog for shared awareness on maritime issues'

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

