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Venue	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development Nouakchott, Mauritania
Hosted by	Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development, Islamic Republic of Mauritania
Conducted by	HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform*
List of participants	Please refer to Appendix I
Agenda of the meeting	Please refer to Appendix II
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WELCOME REMARKS AND ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. **Peter EIGEN**, Chair of the International Advisory Group of the FiTI, opened the meeting by welcoming all participants. More than 25 participants from governments (incl. representatives from Indonesia, Mauritania, and Seychelles), international organizations, business and civil society from all over the world accepted the invitation to participate in this meeting. Mr. EIGEN emphasized that the 1st International Conference of the FiTI sent a clear and visible signal that more transparency and participation is needed to enhance responsible fisheries. In the presence of H.E. Mohamed Ould Abdel Aziz, President of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania and H.E. Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal, the conference achieved

- an unanimous acclamation of the Conference Declaration (incl. the FiTI Principles),
- a public commitment by four countries to initiate the multi-stakeholder process in their countries this year (i.e. Indonesia, Mauritania, Senegal and the Seychelles) and
- a wide international media coverage.

While noting that a vast amount of work still lies ahead of the FiTI in order to complete the conceptual phase until early 2017, Mr. EIGEN thanked all participants for the ongoing support and commitment of the FiTI.

The proposed agenda for the meeting was adopted by all participants.

Mr. EIGEN thanked the Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development for hosting the meeting.

Mr. **Yacoub Ahmed AICHA**, General Director of Investment Projects and Programs at the Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development, welcomed all participants to the meeting on behalf of H.E. Sid'Ahmed RAÏSS, Minister of Economic Affairs and Development, and thanked the FiTI Secretariat for the organization of the 3rd Advisory Group meeting.

Mr. AICHA emphasized the importance of the Fisheries Transparency Initiative for Mauritania and expressed his gratitude to all national and international stakeholders who made the 1st International Conference of the FiTI a success. He especially thanked all participants of the 3rd International Advisory Group meeting for coming to Mauritania and for joining this important event towards a credible and global FiTI Standard.

Mr. **Mohamed Salem Ould LOULY**, Focal Point for the FiTI at the Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy, Islamic Republic of Mauritania, also welcomed all participants to Mauritania and extended the best wishes of H.E. Nani Ould CHROUGHA, Minister for Fisheries and Maritime Economy, for a successful Advisory Group meeting. Mr. LOULY emphasized the commitment of the Ministry to initiate the process of forming a dedicated National Multi-Stakeholder Group for the FiTI in Mauritania this year.

INTRODUCTION OF PARTICIPANTS AND INTERVENTIONS

All participants introduced themselves and their organizations briefly. Special attention was given to the following interventions:

Mr. **Philippe MICHAUD**, Chairman of Seychelles Fishing Authority, **announced the commitment of the Seychelles on behalf of H.E. Jean-Paul Adam, Minister of Finance, Trade and the Blue Economy to become one of the pilot countries to start the process of forming an FiTI National Multi-Stakeholder Group in the Seychelles in 2016.**

Mr. **Alfred SCHUMM**, Director of the Smart Fishing Initiative at the World Wildlife Fund (WWF), presented the work of the WWF on satellite-based tracking system for boats and noted that this kind of information can be supportive for the reporting process of the FiTI. (This presentation was given in the afternoon of this meeting.)

Mr. **Julio MORÓN**, Managing Director at the Producers Organisation of Tuna Freezer Trawlers / Organización de Productores Asociados de Grandes Atuneros Congeladores (OPAGAC), acting on behalf of CEPESCA (the Spanish Confederation of Fish Owners and Companies) shared experience with transparency elements in the CFP and other EU fisheries regulations. He highlighted that recently a proposal on a new Fishing Authorisation Regulation (FAR) was released by the EU Commission including new rules to improve transparency and monitoring of both public and private agreements of the EU fleet fishing in third countries.

The EU Commission proposal on FAR laid out a new procedure for issuing and validation of fishing authorizations, allowing both coastal states and flag states authorities to better monitor both EU vessels fishing outside Union waters and international vessels fishing in EU waters. To obtain authorization, vessels will have to show that they comply with a set of eligibility criteria that the EU considers essential – for instance that they have an International Maritime Organisation (IMO) number and a valid fishing license, and have not been found guilty of serious infringements. J. MORÓN explained that the proposed regulation is envisioned to contribute to the fight against illegal, unregulated and undeclared (IUU) fishing and set a new international standard for management and control of external fleets – thus contributing to better global fisheries governance.

Mr. **Sven BIERMANN**, Director of the Fisheries Transparency Initiative, outlined the agenda, highlighting that in addition to providing an update on the current status of the initiative, the major objectives of this meeting is to

1. Give an update on the **current status**;
2. Learn from the **1st preparatory meeting in Mauritania for establishing a National Multi-Stakeholder Group**;
3. Discuss and agree on recommendations of the **Working Groups on Small-Scale and Large-Scale Fisheries**, and
4. Highlight the **key objectives and high-level timeframe** for 2016.

UPDATE: STATUS OF THE INITIATIVE

Mr. **BIERMANN** gave an update on the current status of the initiative:

- **Support 1st International Conference:** To support the organization of the 1st International Conference of the FiTI, which took place on February 3rd, the FiTI Secretariat collaborated with a number of partners and stakeholders. The preparation work included:
 - Supporting the logistical and conceptual organization of the conference, notably through the elaboration of the conference agenda in close collaboration with the Mauritanian Government. Mr. Biermann thanked specifically Mr. **Mohamed Salem NANY**, Director of Resource Mobilization and External Aid Coordination, Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development, for his outstanding contribution over the last months.
 - Working closely with the countries already involved in the Conceptual Phase of the FiTI.
 - Reaching out to high-level personalities involved in fisheries to produce video messages on the FiTI (H.E. Kofi Annan, Yann Arthus-Bertrand and Pascal Lamy).

Additionally, **Mr. Edward HARRIS**, PR Advisor to the FiTI Secretariat, presented the various **outreach and communication activities for the conference**, including:

- intensive outreach and communication activities, such as the publication of an opinion piece by the Minister for Economic Affairs and Development H.E. Sid'Ahmed RAÏSS in the EUObserver (28 January 2016);
- an interview of Peter EIGEN with Reuters (1 February 2016 - featured in a wide range of newspapers and online sources, such as Yahoo News);

- a Media Advisory, sent to a large range of journalists worldwide;
- a Press Release for the Conference in French and English;
- a media trip for Reuters to collect material for a video on the FiTI, organized the day before the Conference; and
- promotion work on social media (incl. Africa Progress Panel, Twitter).

Mr. **BIERMANN** continued with the current status:

- **Setup of Working Groups:** Following the 2nd Advisory Group meeting in Rome on 21 October 2015, the Secretariat established Working Groups on Small-Scale Fisheries and on Large-Scale Fisheries to work on the details of Transparency Elements that the FiTI Standard should include. Mr. Biermann mentioned that the status and recommendations from both Working Groups will be presented in the afternoon of this meeting.
- Other outreach and communication activities included:
 - A **country-visit to Indonesia** (9-11 December 2015) upon invitation by H.E. Susi Pudjiastuti, Minister of Maritime Affairs and Fisheries. During the visit, the Secretariat met the Minister and several senior officials and conducted a 3-hour multi-stakeholder meeting. Mr. EIGEN and Mr. BIERMANN thanked again the authorities of Indonesia for the kind invitation. Mr. Yunus HUSSEIN (Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Republic of Indonesia) emphasized that transparency in fisheries is very important to Indonesia and that Indonesia is committed to start with the process of establishing a National Multi-Stakeholder Group for the FiTI in 2016.
 - The participation in a **think tank meeting on enhancing governance in small-scale fisheries and its contribution to the accelerated agricultural transformation goals of Africa in Dakar / Senegal** organized by the African Union Interafrican Bureau for Animal Resources (AU-IBAR), the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA), and the Government of Senegal (19-22 January 2016). During the meeting, the Secretariat had the opportunity to present the FiTI to participants as well as exchange valuable experiences with respect to the importance of transparency and participation for small-scale fisheries.
 - The **participation of the FiTI Secretariat in the Blue Economy Summit in Abu Dhabi organized by the Seychelles** (18 January 2016) which included a meeting with H.E. Jean-Paul ADAM, Minister of Finance, Trade and the Blue Economy of the Seychelles on the role of the Seychelles in the FiTI.

- **Mr. BIERMANN** also mentioned that a **Partnership Agreement with the Sub-Regional Fisheries Commission (SRFC)** is currently being drafted, emphasizing joint support and collaboration on supporting transparency and participation in fisheries.
- **Mr. Gaoussou GUEYE** (Secretary General of CAOPA) referred to a civil society meeting on transparency in fisheries that took place in November 2015 to celebrate the World Fisheries Day in Agadir, Morocco. He reported that the **civil society is very active** in promoting transparency and participation, supportive of the FiTI.

It was again emphasized that it is of crucial importance to **reach out to stakeholders from South America, Russia, and Asia – especially South Korea and China**. Furthermore, the **voice of the private sector should be strengthened** in order to maintain a good balance between the three major stakeholder groups: government, companies and civil society.

Mr. EIGEN mentioned that the opportunity of presenting the FiTI at the upcoming 2016 Spring Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group is currently being explored. This would be an excellent opportunity to meet with various decision-makers in order to raise awareness about the FiTI and initiate a discussion regarding the long-term sustainability of the initiative.

Mr. EIGEN also emphasized that the ongoing interest of other countries to participate in FiTI is an encouraging signal for the initiative. However, he pointed to the **constant challenge of continuing outreach on the one side, and keep focusing on finalizing the FiTI Standard**. Mr. EIGEN highlighted that Guinea might be interested in participating in the FiTI. It was emphasized by Mr. GUEYE that **free and effective participation of civil society must be ensured** in order to pursue meaningful transparency efforts. Mr. EIGEN replied by ensuring that this understanding is indeed a key principle of any multi-stakeholder participation. A country can only join the FiTI if active, free, effective, meaningful and informed participation of all relevant stakeholders in the process is ensured.

**COUNTRY IMPLEMENTATION:
MULTI-STAKEHOLDER GROUP IN
MAURITANIA**

Nedwa NECH, President of the Mauritanian NGO Mauritanie2000, presented the outcomes of a 3-day multi-stakeholder workshop on the FiTI, which took place in Nouadhibou/Mauritania, 27-29 January, 2016. The objectives of the workshop were:

1. To inform all fisheries stakeholders in Mauritania about the FiTI;
2. Inform about the 1st International Conference of the FiTI and the role of Mauritania in the FiTI;
3. Gather all fisheries stakeholders in Mauritania to initiate a discussion on the modalities of the formation of a National Multi-Stakeholder Group in Mauritania; and
4. Designate a small taskforce in charge of brainstorming core characteristics of the MSG.

Ms. NECH stated that although the FiTI is currently under the Ministry of Economic Affairs and Development, the **Ministry of Fisheries is playing a leading role in implementing the FiTI at national level in Mauritania.**

Ms. NECH presented the set of **guiding principles which the workshop participants identified as important in the implementation of the FiTI in Mauritania:**

1. Sustainable resource management (access, stock management, research, stats, statistics);
2. Governance and transparency;
3. Food security and fight against poverty;
4. Respect of fairness and equity.

Ms. NECH presented the set of **recommendations** which had been developed during the meeting.

For more details, the presentation of Ms. Nedwa Nech can be downloaded at "Conceptual Phase -> International Advisory Group -> Advisory Group Meeting – February 2016"

Further, **Mohamed A. MAYIF, fisheries expert, provided input on the importance of sustainability** components of FiTI Reports. Mr. MAYIF noted that the current framework of the FiTI is not different enough from the framework of the EITI, which deals with non-renewable resources, although the FiTI deals with a renewable resource. He notably emphasized the need to include information on surplus in the reports.

For more details, the presentation of Mr. Mohamed A. MAYIF can be downloaded at "Conceptual Phase -> International Advisory Group -> Advisory Group Meeting – February 2016"

Based on the inputs of Ms. NECH and Mr. MAYIF, the following points were discussed by the group:

- In reaction to the groups of stakeholders identified during the Nouadhibou Workshop, it was agreed that **Parliamentarians** should not be seen as part of Civil Society. An exception may be in case where parliamentarians run campaigns out of a personal capacity and for a civil society organization.
- With respect to the **necessity of capacity building**, it was argued that development agencies, donors and other supporters might work with countries to address the need of capacity building among various stakeholder groups.

RECOMMENDATIONS ON TRANSPARENCY ELEMENTS BY WORKING GROUPS

Sven BIERMANN presented the background and purpose of the Working Groups on Small-Scale and Large-Scale Fisheries. Based on the discussions during the 2nd meeting of the International FiTI Advisory Group in Rome, it was agreed to establish dedicated Working Groups to further develop the FiTI transparency elements and the related process of providing and reviewing such information. The Working Groups will make recommendations to the International Advisory Group.

André STANDING, Technical Advisor of the FiTI Secretariat, introduced the technical work that was started by both Working Groups. Mr. Standing elaborated that the lack of transparency in the small-scale fisheries is not caused by the same factors that cause lack of transparency in the large-scale fisheries. In the large-scale fisheries lack of transparency is often associated with confidentiality, and can be seen as contribution to corruption or poor fisheries management. In the small-scale fisheries the problem is primarily one of data deficiency, meaning small-scale fisheries are often marginalized or underappreciated in policy decision-making. The primary purpose of including small-scale fisheries in the FiTI is therefore to increase public access to reliable knowledge about the small-scale fisheries.

During the discussions of the Working Group on Small-Scale Fisheries different views were expressed about the need to ensure FiTI Reports contain the full range of data on the small-scale fisheries to communicate its important contribution to livelihoods and food security. For example, it was argued that merely reporting on payments might put small-scale fisheries in a perceived

disadvantage regarding their contributions to the national economy, compared with large-scale fisheries.

Based on this, Mr. STANDING highlighted the challenge of selecting transparency elements that will enhance responsible and sustainable fisheries, while at the same time keeping in mind that many countries will agree to implement the FiTI if the reporting requirements are feasible and not too resource-intensive. Therefore, the recommendations of the Working Groups were based on the following principles:

- Useful and relevant;
- Practical;
- Affordable; and
- Flexible.

Mr. EIGEN stated that while it would in general be seen as beneficial to increase transparency among other aspects of the value chain, these principles give a clear guideline on establishing a relevant and feasible FiTI Standard. Based on his experience, a focused approach on a key area, such as “access to marine fisheries”, is initially desirable, as the approach should be based on consensus by all three stakeholder groups. Once trust and experience has grown, there will be the opportunity to extend the framework over time. For this Mr. EIGEN referred to the principle of “progressive improvement”, as stated in Principle 7 of the recently adopted “NOUAKCHOTT DECLARATION ON THE FISHERIES TRANSPARENCY INITIATIVE (FiTI), 3 February 2016, Nouakchott, Mauritania.

Participants reemphasized that the initial focus of the FiTI Reporting should target “access to marine fisheries”, but that additional information may be provided as part of a FiTI Report’s contextual information.

For more details on the technical discussions of the Working Group on Small-Scale as well as Large-Scale Fisheries, the minutes of the meetings as well as the preparatory information for this meeting are publicly available on the FiTI website under "Conceptual Phase → Working Groups".

RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE WORKING GROUP OF SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES (SSF)

Mr. Jean-Louis KROMER summarized the discussions and resulting recommendations of the Working Group on Small-Scale Fisheries. Afterwards, the recommendations of the Working Group were discussed.

Recommendation 1: The FiTI should not require countries to undertake considerable primary research on the small-scale fisheries for each report.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Recommendation 2: FiTI Reports should be considered satisfactory where the National Multi-Stakeholder Group agrees that the FiTI Report contains the best available data on the country's small-scale fisheries.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Additional remarks:

- Participants raised concerns that without a corresponding requirement of “progressive improvement”, some countries might not show any progress in the data over many years. These concerns were discussed in the next recommendation.
- The FAO, Too Big to Ignore and other organizations could support countries in improving their data over time based on the gaps identified in the FiTI Reports. It was emphasized that a coordinated effort between relevant organizations and countries is important to ensure an efficient data provision process.

Recommendation 3: In case of incomplete or dated information on small-scale fisheries, the National Multi-Stakeholder Groups should agree on an action plan and a timeframe to improve the current situation (progressive improvement).

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Additional remarks:

- The question was raised who would implement such an action plan, as the National Multi-Stakeholder Group may face practical constraints, including limited financial resources. This aspect requires further discussions within the Working Group.

Recommendation 4: The decision on defining small-scale fisheries should be left to the National Multi-Stakeholder Group in each country. Thus, these groups will decide what categories of fishing vessels will be included under the reporting for small-scale or large-scale fisheries.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Recommendation 5: Data on the number of fishers engaged in the small-scale sector should be provided, disaggregated where possible for types of fisheries and regions.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Recommendation 6: Information on tenure rights should be provided, including information on regions and types of fisheries. This information must also specify the areas where exclusive access is provided to small-scale fishers.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Recommendation 7: Information on total catches should be provided, disaggregated where possible for types of fisheries, regions and species.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Remarks:

- It was argued that it is important to add data on exports / re-exports to either the transparency elements or the contextual information on an FiTI Report. This aspect requires further discussions within the Working Group.

Recommendation 8: A case study should be developed to evaluate the practical feasibility of the proposed transparency elements and to illustrate how a FiTI Report could look like. This case study should also identify possible use cases. The case study could be either based on an actual country or an imagined country.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants. It was further recommended to conduct in total two cases studies, selecting two countries that differ from each other with regards to their fisheries industry.

RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE WORKING GROUP OF LARGE-SCALE FISHERIES (LSF)

Ms. María José CORNAX summarized the discussions and the recommendations of the Working Group on Large-Scale Fisheries. Afterwards, the recommendations of the Working Group were discussed.

Preparatory Information on the work accomplished by the Working Groups was shared with the Participants prior to the meeting. The Preparatory Information can be downloaded on the FiTI website under “Conceptual Phase → Working Groups”.

Recommendation 1: All transparency elements for large-scale fisheries must be considered mandatory.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Recommendation 2: Similar to the recommendation from the Working Group on Small-Scale Fisheries, case studies should be developed to evaluate the practical feasibility of the proposed transparency elements and to illustrate how a FiTI Report could look like. These case studies should also identify possible “Use Cases” – illustrating scenarios how data published by the FiTI Reports could be used. The case studies could be either based on an actual country or an imagined country.

→ The recommendation was approved by all participants.

Remarks:

- It was argued that the case studies should reflect a “customer-driven approach” (i.e. ask potential users of the FiTI Reports, such as parliamentarians and media, how they would use the provided information).
- It was emphasized that the case studies should use and refer to existing work as much as possible. This should also include to clarify how it complements existing work (e.g. FAO and the Pan-African Strategy on the Improvement of Fisheries and Aquaculture Data Collection Analysis and Dissemination– as a valuable source of information on definitions and possible reporting elements).
- Part of the case studies could also be a visualization (if feasible) of the results.

Additional comments were made during the discussions on Large-Scale Fisheries:

With respect to scope of FiTI Transparency Elements, the importance of covering **not only vessels fishing in a country's EEZs but also cover the conduct of vessels registered in the country (national and international vessels) fishing abroad** was emphasized. It was argued that in cases where activities outside a country's EEZ are not covered, countries with extensive fishing capacities in other countries may not be portrayed in a fair and adequate way by an FiTI Report. This confirmed initial discussions of the Working Group on Large-Scale Fisheries. It was decided that the case studies should focus on this aspect.

With respect to payments, the **role and need for transparency of fishing agents** was discussed. This topic requires further work by the Working Group on Large-Scale Fisheries and will therefore to be discussed during one of the next Advisory Group meetings.

With respect to payments, the possibility to include **penalties and fines** in the FiTI Reports was discussed. Again, this topic requires further work by the Working Group on Large-Scale Fisheries and will therefore be discussed during one of the next Advisory Group meetings.

THE WAY FORWARD AND NEXT STEPS

Mr. Sven **BIERMANN** concluded the meeting by outlining the 4 key objectives of 2016:

1. Continue defining the FiTI Standard;
2. Support implementing countries in establishing National MSG;
3. Continue reaching out to stakeholders;
4. Ensure sustainability of initiative.

Mr. BIERMANN presented a tentative work plan for finalizing the Conceptual Phase in 2016.

The 4th International Advisory Group meeting is planned to take place in June 2016. More information will follow soon.

APPENDIX I: List of Participants

Organization (in alphabetical order)¹	Name
African Development Bank Group (AfDB)	Mr. Jean-Louis KROMER
Association of Russian Ship-owners in West Africa	Mr. Alexander BIRYUKOV
Bread for the World	Mr. Francisco MARI
Causa Natura	Mr. Eduardo ROLÓN
Coalition for Fair Fisheries Arrangements (CFFA)	Ms. Béatrice GOREZ
Confederación Española de Pesca (CEPESCA)	Mr. Julio MORÓN
Confédération Africaine des Organisations Professionnelles de Pêche Artisanale (CAOPA)	Mr. Gaoussou GUEYE
European Union Delegation in Mauritania	Mr. Arnaud Pierre APPRIOU
Fishery Committee for the West Central Gulf of Guinea (FCWC)	Mr. Sabi Henri Joel BIO BATA
Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO)	Ms. Jacqueline ALDER
Gesellschaft für international Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)	Mr. Stephan EGGLI
Greenpeace	Mr. Pavel KLINCKHAMERS
Hen Mpoano (Ghana)	Mr. Kofi AGBOGAH

¹ Participants may not necessarily reflect the official opinion of their organisation and may serve in their personal capacity. Furthermore, not all participants of this meeting are already members of the International Advisory Group.

Kesatuan Nelayan Tradisional Indonesia (KNTI)	Mr. Riza DAMANIK
Long Distance Advisory Council (LDAC)	Mr. Alexandre RODRÍGUEZ
Mauritanie 2000	Ms. Nedwa NECH
Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development, Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Mr. Yacoub Ahmed AICHA
Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development, Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Mr. Mohamed Salem NANY
Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy, Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Mr. Mohamed Salem Ould LOULY
Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy, Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Ms. Bowba Mint El KHALESS
Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy, Islamic Republic of Mauritania	Mr. Almamy Samboly BÂ
Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Republic of Indonesia	Mr. Yunus HUSEIN
Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Republic of Indonesia	Mr. Aryo HANGGONO
Ministry of Marine Affairs and Fisheries, Republic of Indonesia	Ms. Iga Ayu Sthiti Saraswati KANIA
Oceana	Ms. María José CORNAX
Seychelles Fisheries Authority, Seychelles	Mr. Philippe MICHAUD
Seychelles Fisheries Authority, Seychelles	Mr. Peter PURVIS
Swedish Agency for Marine and Water Management	Ms. Gunilla TEGELSKÄR GREIG

United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)	Mr. Alexander JURAS
World Bank Group	Ms. Dahlia LOTAYEF
World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)	Mr. Alfred SCHUMM
Independent Fisheries Expert	Mr. Mohamed MAYIF

HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform	Mr. Peter EIGEN
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HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform	Ms. Andréa DURIGHELLO
HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform	Mr. Sebastian WEGNER
Advisor to HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform	Mr. Edward HARRIS
Advisor to HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform	Mr. André STANDING

APPENDIX II: Agenda of the meeting

- 09:30 – 10:00 Arrival of participants
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Opening remarks**
Welcome by Mr. Peter EIGEN, Co-founder of the HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform, Chair of the International Advisory Group of the FiTI

Welcome by Mr. Yacoub Ahmed AICHA, General Director of Investment Projects and Programs, Ministry for Economic Affairs and Development, Islamic Republic of Mauritania

Remarks by Mohamed Salem Ould LOULY, Focal Point of the FiTI, Ministry of Fisheries and Maritime Economy, Islamic Republic of Mauritania
- 10:30 – 11:15 Introduction of participants and their organizations
- 11:15 – 11:30 **Update on current status of the FiTI**
Mr. Sven Biermann, Director of the FiTI
- 11:30 – 12:00 **Report from “L'Atelier d’information sur la FiTI” (Nouadhibou/Mauritania)**
This 3-day meeting took place on 27. – 29. January 2016, and brought together approx. 30+ Mauritanian stakeholders from government, business and civil society discussing the Fisheries Transparency Initiative (FiTI).

Ms. Nedwa NECH, Mauritanie 2000

Mr. Mohamed MAYIF, Independent Fisheries Expert
- 12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 15:00 **Report from the FiTI Working Groups**

An initial input will be presented by members of the Working Groups:

- Small-Scale Fisheries: Mr. Jean-Louis KROMER
- Large-Scale Fisheries: Ms. María CORNAX

Group discussion

15:00 – 15:15 **Outlook: The FiTI in 2016**

Mr. Sven BIERMANN, Director of the FiTI

15:15 – 15:30 **Wrap-up, Next Steps and Farewell**

Mr. Peter EIGEN, Co-founder of the HUMBOLDT-VIADRINA Governance Platform,
Chair of the International Advisory Group of the FiTI