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1. NATURAL RESOURCES GOVERNANCE AND FOOD SECURITY

Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)

Mauritania signed the CAADP Compact on 27 - 28 July 2011, while the independent technical review of the National Agriculture Investment Plan was held 5 – 16 February 2012. The country conducted its business meeting on 20 - 21 March 2012.

TerrAfrica

SLM Knowledge Base: Through the support of the TerrAfrica Leveraging Fund (TLF), TerrAfrica's Regional SLM Knowledge Base has been generated and disseminated. It contains tools, documents, and practical information to assist in SLWM upscaling at national, regional and continental level. Mauritania is in the process of creating a country specific information system.

Mauritania has established a Strategic Investment Program (SIP), through the support of the TerrAfrica Leveraging Fund. The SIP is an umbrella investment vehicle that purposes to scale up SLWM practices in line with the TerrAfrica approach. Resulting from establishment of the SIP, the Mauritania Drylands Project was established to contribute to the country's Inclusive Green Growth Strategy and build on the lessons from the Community Based Watershed Management Project. Through support of the TerrAfrica partners, Mauritania has been able to implement its Promoting Sustainable Land Management in the Oasis Ecosystems of Mauritania – Project. Total support amounts to \$4.19M. through SAWAP, support is also underway for the Sustainable Land management Project to the tune of \$5.2M.

The Sahel and West Africa Program (SAWAP) also supported Mauritania in the Mauritania Drylands Project.

Communicators from Mauritania were among 16 communicators from the TerrAfrica member countries who were trained on to communicate Sustainable Land Water Management issues and facilitate information flow between TerrAfrica Secretariat, Member States and RECs.

2. REGIONAL INTEGRATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRADE

Africa Power Vision

Wind – Boulenouar Wind Power Project: This energy/generation project involves construction of a

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large-scale wind farm of 100 MW installed capacity located in Boulenouar, 80 km north of Nouadhibou, the second-largest city in the northern part of the coastal region of Mauritania. The project is set to create a demonstration effect as the first major wind project in the Sahel.

Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative (PICI)

Missing Links on the Trans-Sahara Highway: The project entails construction of 225 km of road between Assamakka and Arlit, Niger.

Unblocking Political Bottlenecks for ICT Broadband and optic fibre Projects Linking Neighbouring States: The project uses political gravitas and goodwill to unblock bottlenecks that affect the implementation of ICT broadband and optic fibre projects on the continent.

Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

TAH programme: This is phase I of the continental connectivity programme that focuses on completion and standardisation of the TAH missing links by 2030.

Single African Sky phase 1 (design and initial implementation): This is a continental programme that will create a high-level, satellite-based air navigation system for the African continent

Yamoussoukro Decision implementation: Purposed at accelerating the implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision by identifying countries that are ready for implementation, and defining with both governments and airlines steps to launch the voluntary club on a full membership basis.

ICT Enabling Environment: This project seeks to improve the environment for the private sectors to invest in high-speed broadband infrastructure

ICT Terrestrial for Connectivity: The project has two main components: secure each country connection by at least two broadband infrastructure; and ensure the access to submarine cable to all landlocked countries

Internet Exchange Point (IXP) programme: aims to provide Africa with adequate internet node exchange to maximise internal traffic.

Lullemeden Aquifer System: Prefeasibility studies for improved use of the aquifer system

Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL)

At the beginning of 2014, 37 out of the 42 African countries had completed a rapid assessment / gap analysis. The next step for countries is to develop a SE4LL Action Agenda and Investment

Prospectus. To support this process, the SE4ALL Africa Hub partners led the development of Africa Guidelines for SE4ALL national Action Agendas. The Africa Guidelines lay out principles and process for developing Action Agendas and put forward a balanced approach of centralized and decentralized solutions to achieve universal access to energy services. Mauritania has joined the SE4All agenda.

3. INDUSTRIALISATION, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

African Medicines Regulatory Harmonisation (AMRH)

A critical AU Model Law aimed at harmonizing medical products regulatory systems in Africa was endorsed by African Heads of State and Government at the January 2016 AU Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The AU Model Law will contribute towards accelerate the regulation of safe, quality and affordable medical products and technologies in Mauritania.

African Science Technology and Innovation Indicators (ASTII)

ASTI has captured comprehensive information on STI and consequently built in-country capacity to collect, analyse & publish data and information on research & development (R&D) and Innovation.

4. SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUTH

Capacity Development

Advocacy support and strengthening of Negotiation Capacities of African countries on Post-2015 Development Agenda through the Common African Position (CAP). Subsequently, Africa's development priorities were mirrored in the new SDGs.

Gender

Mauritania benefited from economic and financial empowerment. Across the continent, 74,435 were supported to acquire / enhance their skills in income generation skills. Furthermore, there was deployment of technical assistance to boost agriculture production for both consumption and commercial purposes, increased access to agricultural extension services, promotion of gender inclusiveness in decision making, and creation of an enabling environment to access land. In addition, land tenure and legalization of land titles for women was strengthened, youth-job creation

enhanced, SME management boosted, and informal and regional trade development improved.

The NEPAD –Spanish Fund also provided technical and financial support to 175 cooperatives, 15 microcredit schemes and to National African Women in Business Networks, geared at enhancing women empowerment. Furthermore, the NEPAD –Spanish Fund Project strengthened the skills of 25,438 women continentally through institutional based capacity building.

