

Fees and financial contribution

The total value of the Protocol, for the period referred is estimated at EUR 13,930,000. This amount is distributed as follows:

EUR 8,690,000 by way of the financial contribution of the Agreement, allocated as follows:

- (1) an annual amount as financial compensation for access to resources of EUR 1,058,000 for the first year, EUR 988,000 for the second, third and fourth year and EUR 918,000 for the fifth year, equivalent to a reference tonnage, for highly migratory species, of 14,000 t per year;
- (2) a specific amount of EUR 750,000 per year for five years to support implementation of the Senegalese sectoral fisheries policy;

EUR 5,240,000, corresponding to the estimated levies payable by the vessel owners for the fishing authorizations.

The fee payable for tuna seiners and pole-and-line vessels, in EUR per tonne caught in the Senegalese fishing zones, is as follows:

- EUR 55 for the first year of application
- EUR 60 for the second and third year of application
- EUR 65 for the fourth year of application
- EUR 70 for the fifth year of application



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Senegal SFPA

The current fisheries partnership agreement concluded between the EU and Senegal covers the period 20 Nov. 2014 – 19 Nov. 2019, and is tacitly renewed for 5 year periods.

This fisheries agreement allows EU vessels from Spain and France to fish in the Senegalese waters and is part of the tuna network fisheries agreements in West Africa. Agreement and protocol were negotiated in strict accordance with the requirements of the new EU fisheries policy, thus ensuring sustainability of the fish stocks, protection of the local fishermen and food security, strict controls and support to the fight against IUU fishing.

Main features of Senegal SFPA

Duration of the Agreement	Five years renewable (20.11.2014–19.11.2019)
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Initialisation	25 April 2014
Nature of the FPA	Tuna Fishery Agreement with a limited demersal component (hake)
Financial contribution	Decreasing: €1,808,000 to €1,668,000 per year. Including €750,000 per year to the support of the fisheries sector
Fee for ship owners	Tuna increasing: €55 – €70 per tonne caught. Hake: €90 per tonne caught
Advances	Tuna seiners: increasing: €13,750 – €17,500 per year (ref catches: 250 t) Pole-and-liners: increasing: €8,250 – €10,500 per year (ref catches: 150 t) Trawlers: €500 per trimester
Reference tonnage (tuna)	14,000 t/year
Total allowable catch (hake)	2,000 t/year

Source: European Commission

Main target species

Category 1: Deep demersal species-black hake

The 2014-2019 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 Açores and the slope of the continental shelf lying off the coast.

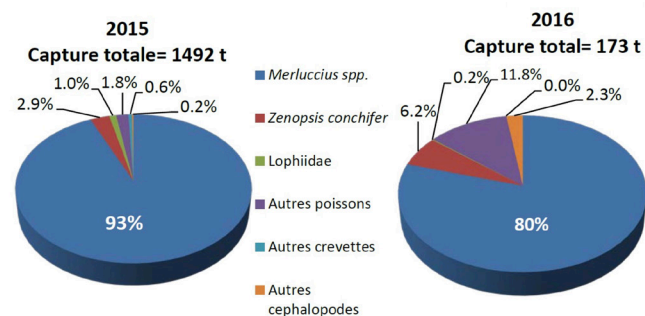
In addition, the activity of these two EU vessels is governed by technical conservation measures on the composition of bycatch limited to a maximum of:

- 7% cephalopods
- 7% of crustaceans
- 15% of other deep demersal fish

The catches of the two EU trawlers authorized to fish deep demersal species are limited to 2,000 t of hake per year.

In 2015, landings of the EU hake fishery fleet, related to activity in Senegal's fishing zone, reached 1,236 t for the fresh fishing trawler, and 256 t for the freezer trawler. In 2016 these catches were reduced to 64 t and 110 t, respectively.

Landings related to the activity of the EU trawl fleet in Senegal's fishing zone (2015 -2016)



Category 2: highly migratory species-tuna

The reference level is set by the Protocol at 14,000 t per year for these 36 vessels. Other fleets than the EU, exclusively Senegalese, practice similar trades in Senegal's fishing zone.

EU long liners catch is estimated at 12,207 t in 2016, of which 9,437 t (77%) skipjack tuna, 1,662 t (14%) yellowfin tuna, 999 t (8%) of bigeye tuna and 109 t (1%) of other species.

The EU seiners captured in Senegal's fishing zone in 2016 in May, June, July, August and September. The total catch is estimated at 1,424,4 t with a peak of 712,5 t recorded in May.

Fisheries agreements concluded by Senegal with other States

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)

Foreign industrial fleet

The Protocol provides fishing opportunities for 28 EU seiner vessels and 8 EU pole-and-line vessels targeting highly migratory species with the exception of protected species or prohibited by ICCAT. The fishing opportunities are determined as follows:

High migratory species

Freezer Tuna seiners: Spain 16 France 12 Total 28 vessels
Pole-and-liners: Spain 7 France 1 Total 8 vessels

Deep-sea demersal species

Trawlers: Spain 2 France 0 Total 2 vessels