

Mid Term and Final Term Evaluation of the 'Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA) support to The Gambia for integrated coastal zone management and the mainstreaming of climate change' project

Name of legal entity	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	No of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
Sustainable Seas Ltd	Gambia	35,500	100%	1	Prospect BE and Particip	EU	Feb-June 2015 (MTE) and May-July 2016 (Final)	N/A

Detailed description of project	Type of services provided
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The Gambia has 70 km of Atlantic Ocean coastline characterized by white sand beaches, and about 200 km of sheltered coast along the Gambia River and estuary which is dominated by extensive mangrove systems. The Gambia is particularly vulnerable to climate change impacts from changing precipitation patterns and intense weather events which may lead to flooding and destruction of human-made infrastructure, saltwater intrusion into fresh water aquifers, beach and shoreline erosion, loss or impairment of productive habitats, and pollution from land-based storm runoff and vessel discharges.

The main objectives of the two separate evaluations (Mid term in 2015 and Final Evaluation in 2016) are to provide the relevant external co-operation services of the European Union, the partner government and, when appropriate, the wider public with: an overall independent assessment of the past performance of the 'Global Climate Change Alliance (GCCA) support to The Gambia for integrated coastal zone management and the mainstreaming of climate change' project, paying particularly attention to the results of the programme against its objectives; key lessons and recommendations in order to improve current and future action .

Sustainable Seas Ltd were engaged as Team Leaders on both the Mid Term and Final Evaluations as two separate contracts (one for Prospect BE and one for Particip). Both consultancies involved stakeholder reviews which took place in two stages as follows: 18 working days in country with 5 working days home-based for finalisation of the report for both experts. The Final Evaluation involved a 12 working day mission to The Gambia in order to present a shortened version of the final evaluation report to stakeholders as part of a project specific seminar. The evaluations both assessed the GCCA programme in terms of the five standard EU evaluation criteria with Impact and Sustainability aspects considered as separate important areas.

Jonathan McCue (Evaluator) also considered whether a range of cross-cutting issues were relevant namely nutrition, environment sustainability and gender equality, and whether they were ever taken into account in the identification/ formulation documents and the extent to which they have been reflected in the implementation of the programme and its monitoring.

The Final Evaluation designed a proposed GCCA+ concept proposal for the continuation (next phase) of the ICZM work undertaken..