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## LEGISLATIVE ACTS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS

Subject:

Protocol on the implementation of the Fisheries Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Republic of Guinea-Bissau (2024–2029)

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## **ARTICLE 12**

Economic integration of Union operators into Guinea-Bissau's fisheries sector

- 1. The Parties undertake to promote the economic integration of Union operators into Guinea-Bissau's fishing industry as a whole, in particular by setting up joint ventures and building infrastructure.
- 2. The Parties shall cooperate in order to raise awareness of commercial and industrial opportunities among private Union operators, in particular with regard to direct investments, in Guinea-Bissau's fisheries sector as a whole.
- 3. With the same objective, Guinea-Bissau may grant incentives to Union operators who undertake such investments.
- 4. The Parties shall cooperate to identify investment opportunities and financing instruments to implement the actions or projects identified, in particular within the framework of existing Union funding instruments.
- 5. Once all the necessary technical conditions have been met, the Parties shall cooperate to promote the sale of the catches made by Union vessels in Guinea-Bissau with the destination of the Union market.
- 6. The Parties shall support the setting-up of a working group which will aim to identify and support investment projects and make it easier to find funding, both bilaterally and multilaterally.
- 7. The Joint Committee shall report annually on the implementation of this Article.