

Executive Board Consultation

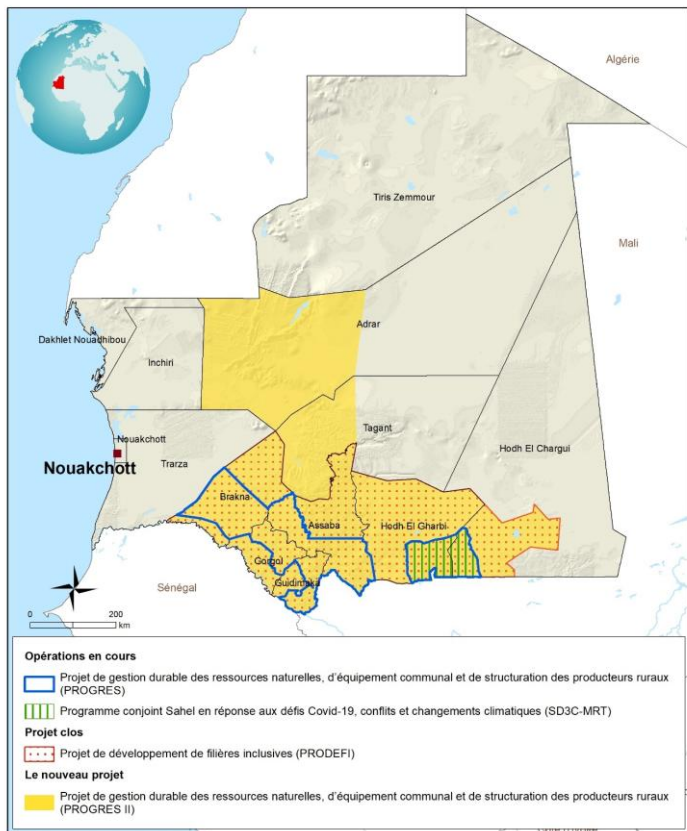
Country Strategic
Opportunities
Programme
(COSOP)

The Islamic
Republic of
Mauritania

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IFAD COSOP in Mauritania



Duration

8 years (2026 to 2033)

Target groups

150,000 households;
Rural smallholder farmers, pastoralists, refugees, value chain actors, financial institutions, small-medium enterprises, etc, while maintaining a focus on women and youth

Approximate Financing

IFAD \$67.0 million,
Government \$17.5 million
Co-financing \$82.0 million

Focus areas

8 regions
6 already targeted (Assaba, Brakna, Guidimackha, Gorgol, and the two Hodh) and 2 oasian regions (Adrar and Tagant) as recommended by 2024 Country Strategy and Programme Evaluation (CSPE).

Geographically phased approach, with priority to arid and climate-vulnerable rural zones where food insecurity and resource stress are most acute.



COSOP Strategic Objectives

Goal: Contribute to inclusive rural economic growth that generates decent employment opportunities and improves social well-being



	Strategic Objectives	Outcomes
SO1:	Promote innovative, resilient and inclusive value chains, adapted to markets and to the needs of poor rural populations	• Climate-smart agriculture. • Competitive value chains and access to markets. • Increased rural incomes.
SO2:	Contribute to improving the institutional framework for the transformation and resilience of food systems	• Conducive policy and financial frameworks, which enable resilient agri-food system transformation. • Improved local and grassroots institutional capacities

Select priorities of the COSOP



Policy Engagement & Knowledge Management

Regulatory frameworks for small-scale irrigation, aggregation and Public-Private-Producer Partnerships (4Ps)

National policy dialogue platforms and strengthening local governance capacities

Capture, synthesize, and disseminate lessons learned from IFAD projects



Youth Employment & Women's Empowerment

Increased access of rural youth to decent employment

Strengthened economic empowerment of rural women

Digital financial services for farmers



Partnerships

Strengthened strategic partnerships with government institutions, producer organizations, private sector

Collaboration with United Nations agencies and financial institutions

Co-financing agreements with development partners



Innovations

Promote climate-resilient technologies (digital agriculture, renewable energy, smart water management)

Scaling of service delivery models (youth entrepreneurship, digital finance solutions)

Menu of interventions during COSOP

Ongoing

Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, Communal Equipment and the Organization of Rural Producers Project (PROGRES)

Focus: Empower poor rural households through sustainable access to natural resources and collective infrastructure.

Targets: Rural farmer-based organizations; other value chain actors, including small and medium enterprises

Duration: 2020-2028 / 2030

Budget (US\$): 50 million + Additional Financing of 30 million

Coverage: 50,000 Households

Joint Programme for the Sahel in Response to the Challenges of COVID-19, Conflict and Climate Change (SD3C-MRT) + Africa Integrated Climate Risk Management (AICRM)

Focus: strengthening resilience of vulnerable rural populations by addressing food insecurity, climate risks, and conflicts.

Targets: rural households, small producers (women, youth) and marginalized groups such as displaced persons, and people with disabilities

Duration: 2023-2027 / 2028

Budgets (US\$): SD3C (11 million) + AICRM (5 million)

Coverage: 70,000 Households

Planned

Sustainable Management of Natural Resources, Communal Equipment and the Organization of Rural Producers Project II (PROGRES II)

Scale up PROGRES I (Sustainable access to natural resources and rural infrastructure)

Expected starting from 2028, during IFAD 14 and 15

Seeking cofinancing from Arab funds (AFES), Adaptation funds, Mattei Plan

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