INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Liberia	Project ID:	P159912			
Project Name:	West Africa Regional Fisheries Program in Liberia - ACGF					
Team Leader(s):	Berengere P. C. Prince, Carolina Giovannelli, Sachiko Kondo					
Estimated Date	16-Jun-2016					
of Approval:						
Managing Unit:	GEN01	Lending	IPF			
		Instrument:				
Sector(s):	Animal production (40%), General agriculture, fishing and forestry sector (50%), Public administration- Agriculture, fishing and forestry (10%)					
Theme(s):	Other environment and natural resources management (100%)					
Financing (in USD Million)						
Total Project Cost:	4.193	Total Bank Financing: 0				
Financing Gap:	0					
Financing Source			Amount			
Africa Catalytic Growth Fund (ACGF)			4.193			
Borrower			0			
Environment B - Partial Assessment						
Category:						

B. Project Development Objective(s)

Key construction work at Mesurado Pier and Robertsport landing site completed.

C. Project Description

The ACGF financing of US\$4.193 million will directly contribute to the broader West Africa Regional Fisheries Program, in particular Component 3 : Increasing the Contribution of the Marine Fish Resources to the Local Economies.

With WARFP SOP A1 disbursement in Liberia reaching 98%, the requested additional ACGF funding will allow Liberia to access funds not available from elsewhere to accomplish the rehabilitation of the Mesurado industrial fishing complex, while also expanding economic opportunities for the country's small scale coastal fisheries. To this end, the additional ACGF support will be deployed to:

(i) Meet construction cost increases triggered by the Ebola crisis, and design modifications required to meet evolving performance needs for completion of the Mesurado complex construction; and

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(ii) Create an integrated Mesurado-Robertsport fishery cluster by filling the financing gap in the WARFP's financed Robertsport landing site pilot, to support new business and export revenue-generating opportunities for the local fishermen and communities.

As this new funding activity is self-contained and will be implemented until July 2017 while the WARFP SOP A1 closes in September 2016, the team was advised to pursue a stand-alone small grant rather than additional financing under the larger WARFP project.

D. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

All proposed activities will be located inside the Port of Monrovia (The Mesurado fishing pier) and in the Robertsport fisheries landing cluster site, both of which are already covered by an existing project infrastructure works sites under WARFP SOP-A1. The proposed new activities will not expand beyond the footprint of the existing/on-going works.

E. Borrower's Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

The institutional capacity for safeguard policies is satisfactory, as it is the same counterpart that has been responsible for the safeguards management of the same type of works in the same locations throughout WARFP SOP-A1. Safeguards management performance hasbeen consistently rated satisfactory.

F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

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II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)	
Environmental Assessment OP/ BP 4.01	Yes	Project includes civil works construction.	
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	Robertsport is within a national protected area, Lake Piso Multiple-Use Reserve. However, the planned Robertsprot works under this project would not harm natural habitats.	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No		
Pest Management OP 4.09	No		
Physical Cultural Resources OP/ BP 4.11	No		
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No		
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No		
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No		
	No		

Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50		
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

Appraisal stage ISDS required?: No

IV. APPROVALS

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Approved By:					
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