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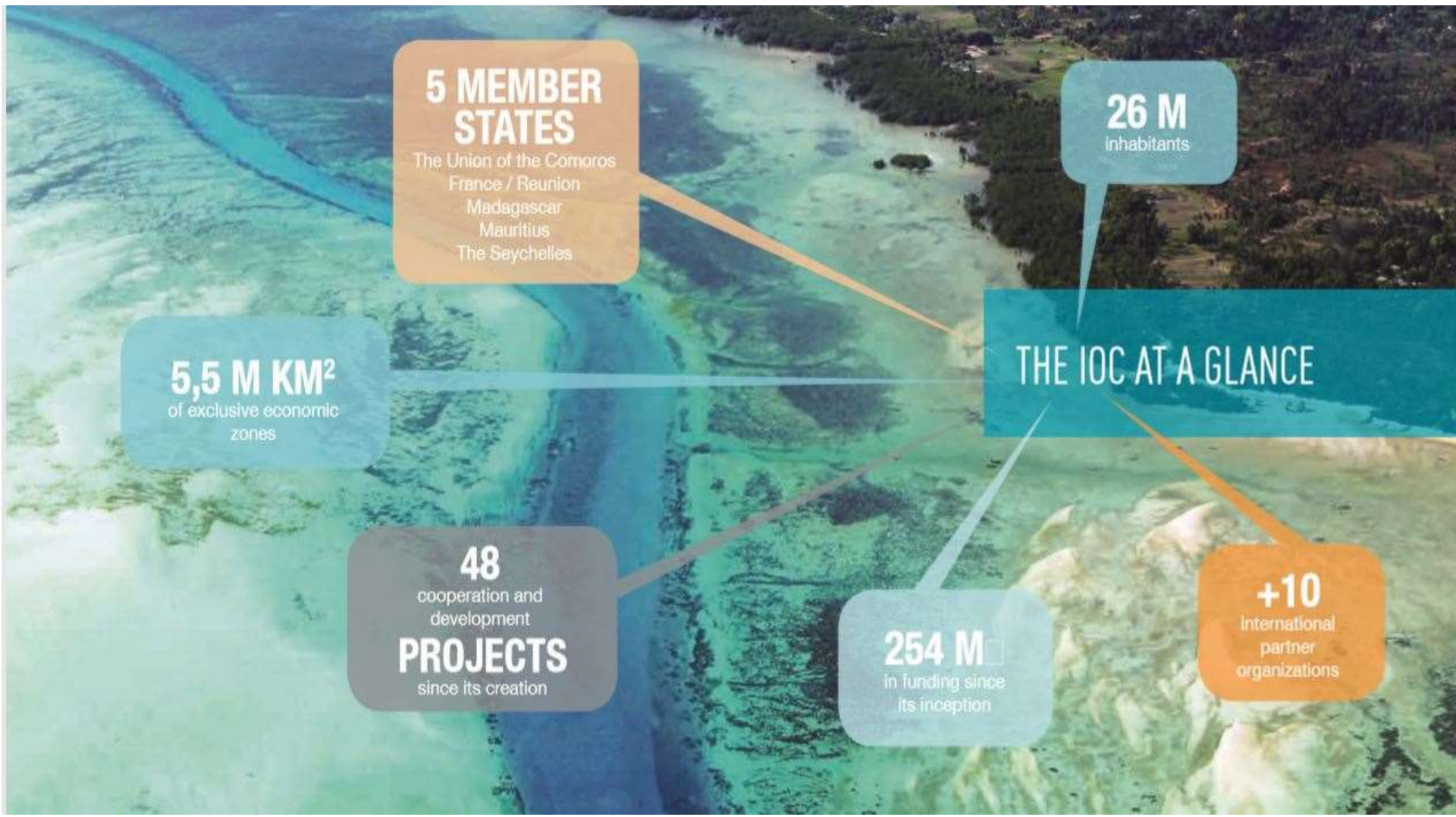
# Maritime Security, a prerequisite to the emergence of the Blue Economy



Mauritius Maritime Week 2018  
Indian Ocean Commission

# Indian Ocean Commission

## Who we are?



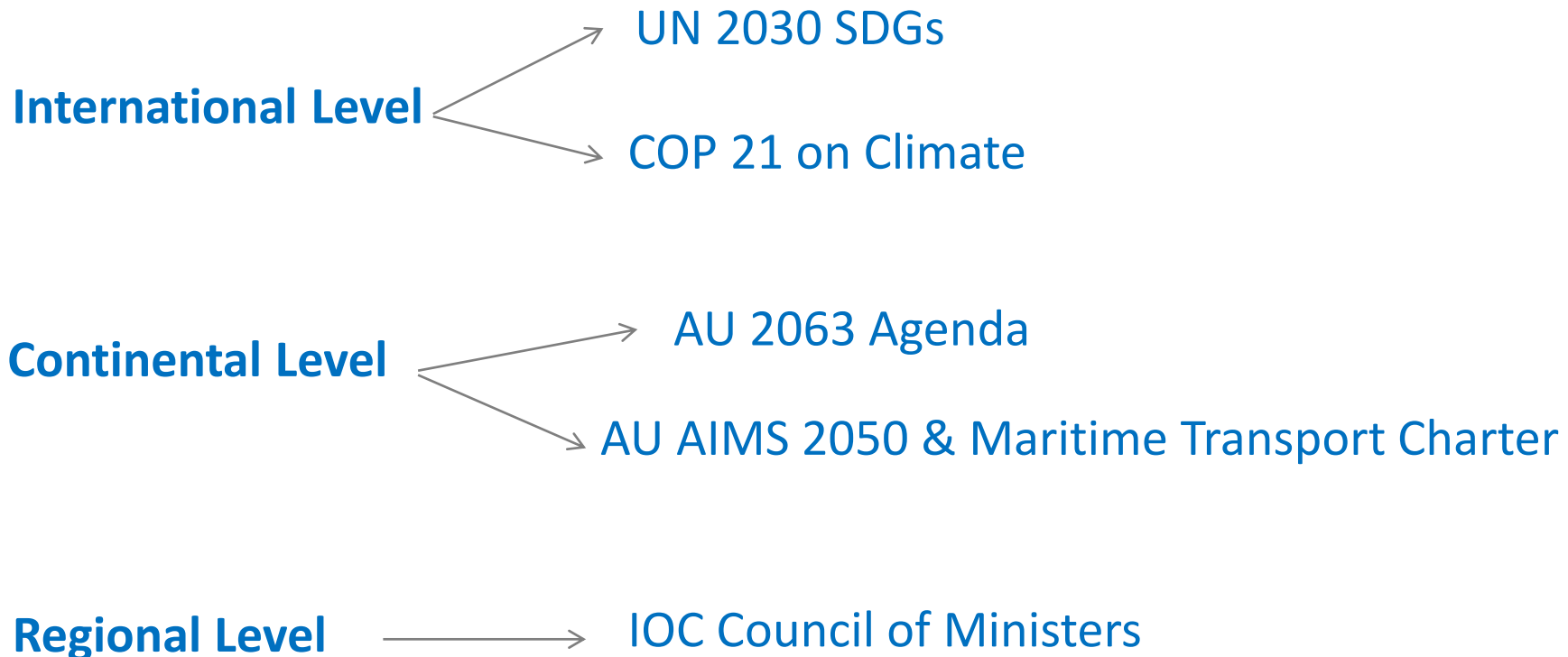
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# Actions in line with International Agendas



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# Our strategic partners

+10 partners

7 Projects funded by European Union

2 Projects funded by French cooperation

Technical cooperation with UN agencies

2 Projects funded by World Bank

1 Project funded by African Development Bank

**Strong ties with:**

APIOI, UNECA, MOI, PMASEA

&

other Regional Organisations (IGAD, COMESA, EAC)

# Our Projects



\* Partner / associate countries not in receipt of funding or financial benefit

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# IOC initiatives to promote a Blue Economy

- 7 projects dealing with ocean issues



- Expertise in ocean-related sectors
- Partnership with + 10 regional and international stakeholders on maritime and coastal issues

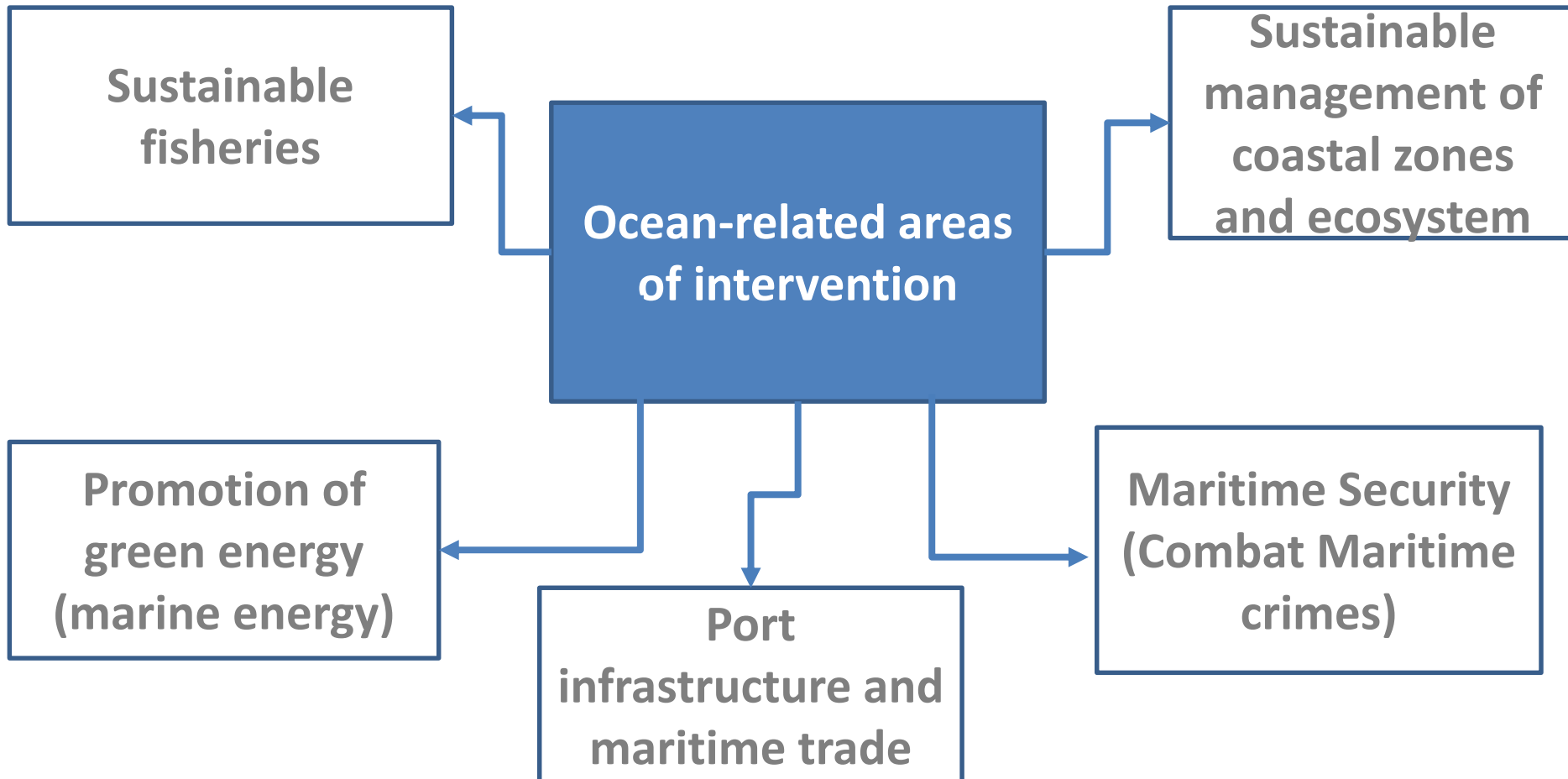
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# Ocean-related areas of intervention



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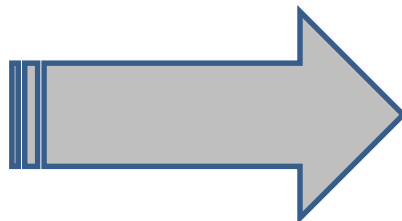
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# Eastern and Southern Africa and Indian Ocean: Strategic Maritime Route

- Strong geo-economic interests + complex geo-political reality
- Vital artery for International trade
- **50%** of world oil transport and **40%** of gas cross the Indian Ocean route
- **30%** of world trade and half of container's volume traffic are managed by bordering ports



**Maritime Security is a major issue  
both at Regional and International  
levels**



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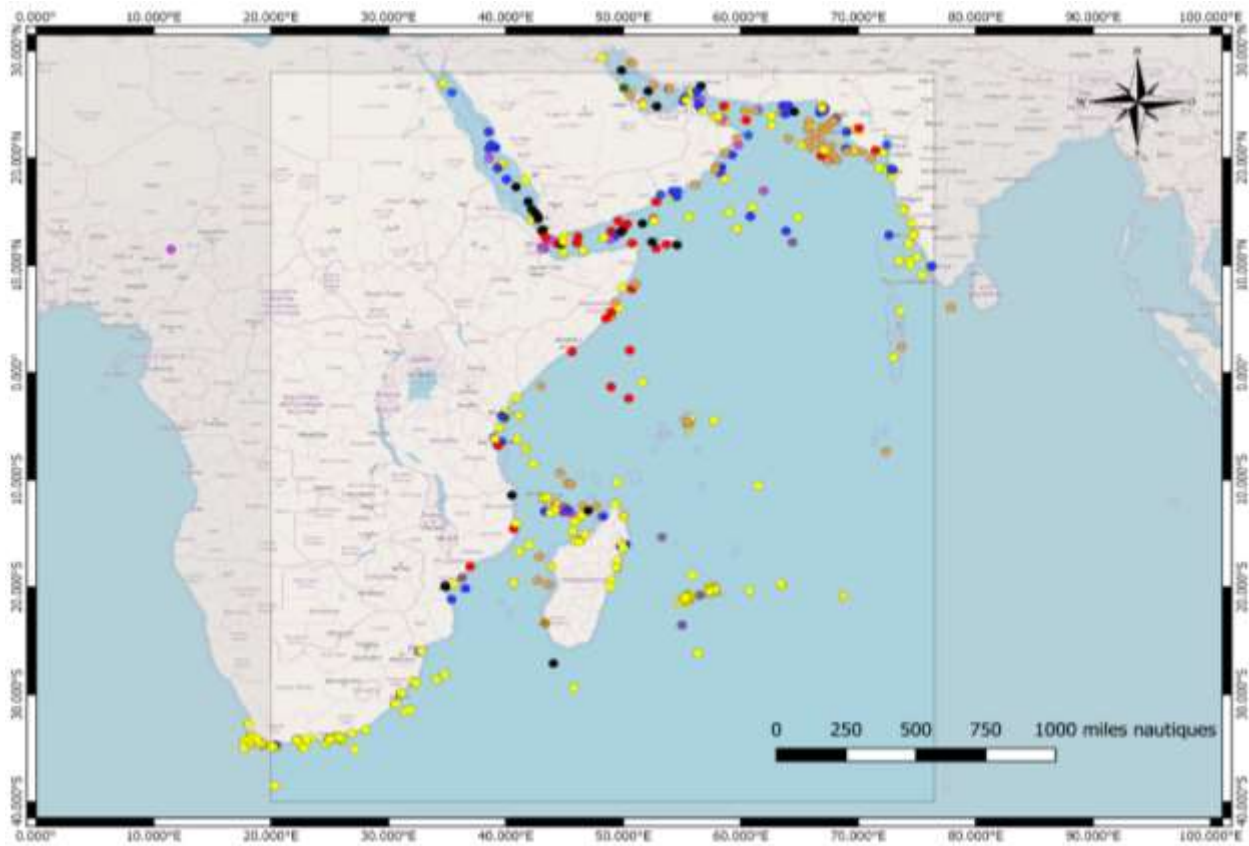
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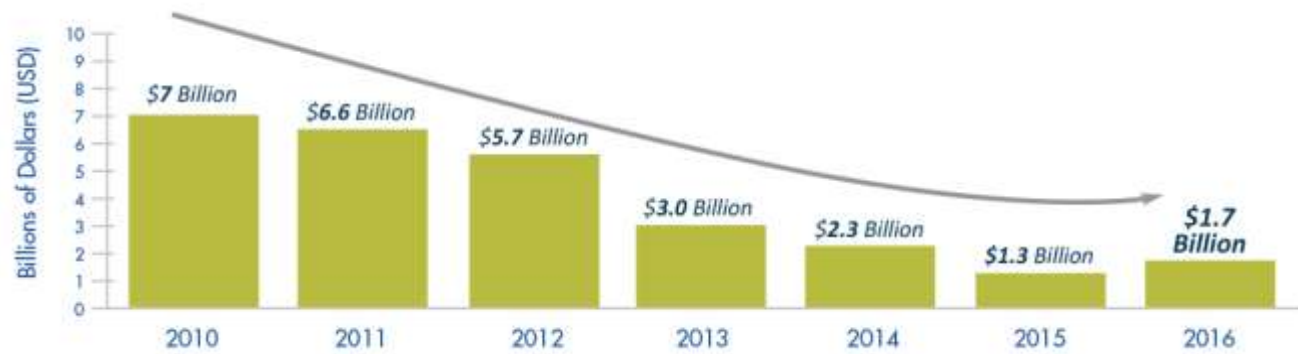
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# Key figures for the year 2017 (Jan –Dec)

Themes	Num of events	Themes	Num of events
Robbery, Armed attack and Piracy at sea	41	Illegal migration & Human trafficking transiting by sea	31
IUU	74	Proliferation security initiatives (PSI)	0
Maritime Incidents	294	Maritime Cybercriminality	1
Smuggling, trafficking in weapons and narcotics	84	Maritime Terrorism	3
Natural maritime events	7	Ocean environment	3
Critical maritime infrastructure	00	Others	23



Regional mapping of all maritime threats and crimes



Economic cost of Somalia Piracy (2010-2016)

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# Inter-regional dynamic to counter maritime threats

Maritime Insecurity is a threat to emerging Blue Economy



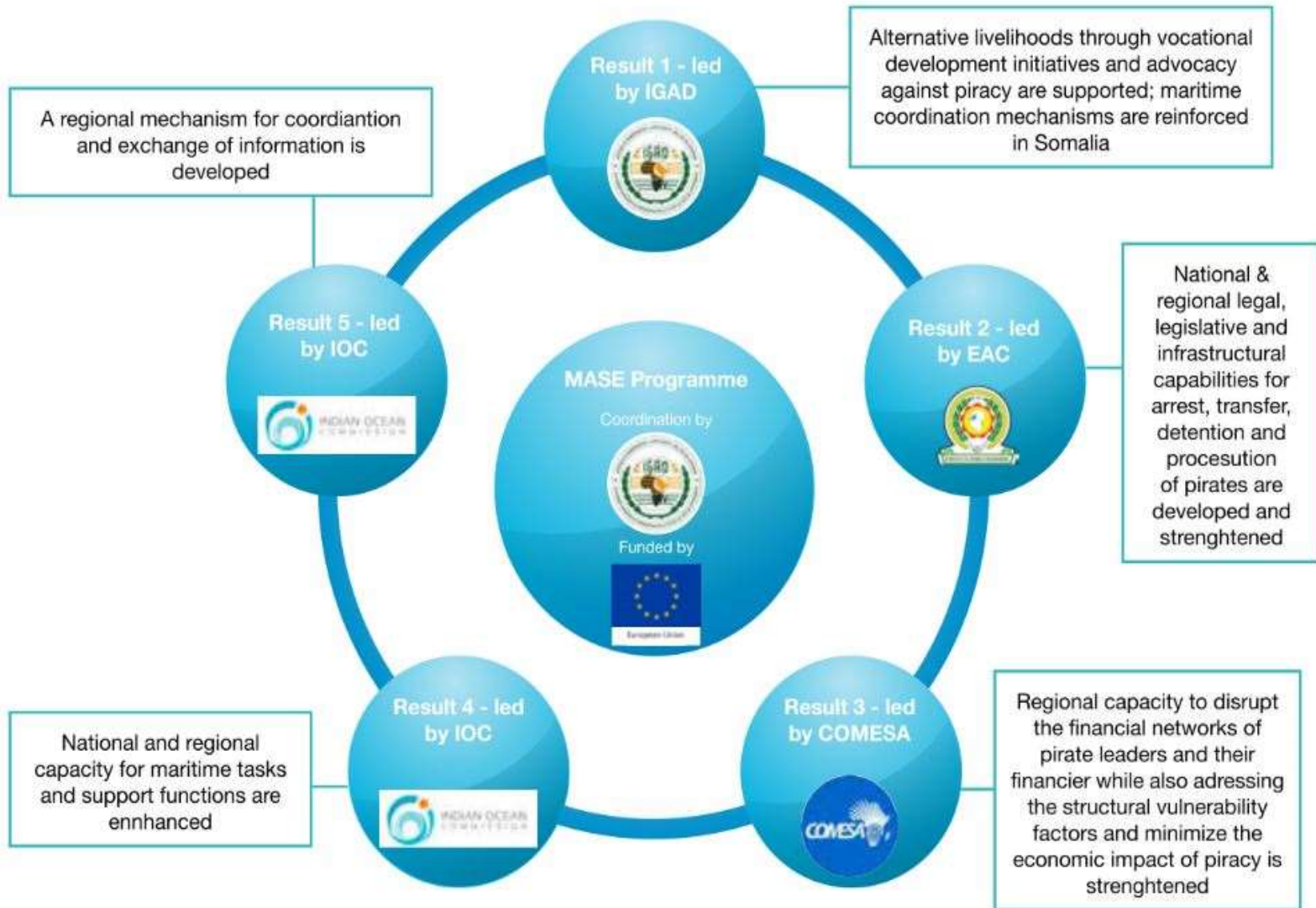
Bordering States cannot address maritime crimes on their own



Countries of ESA-IO pull together efforts to provide sustainable and effective response to maritime crimes

Setting up of a regional programme on **MA**ritime **SE**curity  
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Regional response to address maritime threats and crimes

# ABOUT #MASE Programme



+ partnerships with EU missions, FAO, UNODC, Interpol...

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# Objectives of the #MASE Programme



## Result 1 Somalia Capacity

### Activities

- 'No Piracy' Project with FAO
- Maritime Security Coordination Committees (MSCC) structures in Somalia
- Develop national maritime infrastructures and capabilities

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# Objectives of the #MASE Programme

## Result 2

### Combat money laundering



### Activities

- Sensitization & capacity building of +500 FIU officers
- Improvement of FIUs' ICT skills and means
- Partnership with INTERPOL to improve investigative capacity of agents.
- Assisting countries to amend AML/CFT laws

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## Result 3

### Rule of Law + arrest, transfer, detention & prosecution of pirates

#### Activities

- Partnership with UNODC to develop national criminal justice capacity
- Procurement of integrated ballistics identification systems to improve ballistics examination
- Trainings undergone by Regional Forensic Referral centre (RFRC) to Police Science laboratories
- Training of trainers in Prosecution and Judicial domains



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## Objectives of the #MASE Programme



### Result 4

**Strengthen Regional Capacity to fight maritime insecurity + Sharing of information**

### Activities

- Regular Trainings with EUNAVFOR & EU CRIMARIO
- Sharing of best practices between countries of ESA-IO
- Cooperation with INTERPOL to exchange information
- Setting up of Regional Maritime Information Fusion Centre based in Madagascar



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## Result 5

### Regional Coordination

### Activities

- Regional Centre for Operational Coordination based in Seychelles
- Collaboration with other regional initiatives & projects
- Sensitization campaigns
- Regular Trainings with EUNAVFOR & EU CRIMARIO
- Sharing of best practices between countries of ESA-IO



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# IOC contribution to promote Maritime Security in the ESA-IO region

- Actively engaged in the EU-funded **MASE Programme**
- Use of technologies for maritime security & safety + monitoring of the environment (VMS – Copernicus/GMES)
- Current chair of the **Contact Group on Piracy off the Coast of Somalia (CGPCS)**
- Gathering of an International Ministerial Meeting on Maritime Security in March 2018

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