

MAURITANIA

ACP Region: West Africa
Population: 3 million
Official Language: Arabic
Capital: Nouakchott

National authority responsible for culture: Ministère de la Culture, de la Jeunesse et des Sports/Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports. PO Box 2964, Nouakchott.

Principal public cultural bodies:

- National museum of Mauritania

Some events:

- International Festival of Nomadic Music
- National Literature Festival
- Semaine Nationale du Film (SENAF)

COOPERATION WITH THE EC

Cultural cooperation: The 7th EDF helped the completion of a study and then published a monograph on the ancient towns of Chinguetti and Oudaneare (€31,500 and 60,000 respectively). Culture is not included in the spheres of cooperation of the 9th EDF.

Other programmes that may interest cultural participants: The CSP/NIP provides for actions to strengthen civil society and promote human rights, specifically: a support project for structuring civil society; support for civil society projects in the field of promoting respect for human rights; and support for structuring professional organisations.

Regional cooperation: EC/West Africa Programme

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