



# **The status of oil spill sensitivity mapping in the West and Central Africa and examples of sensitivity mapping development**

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- Objectives

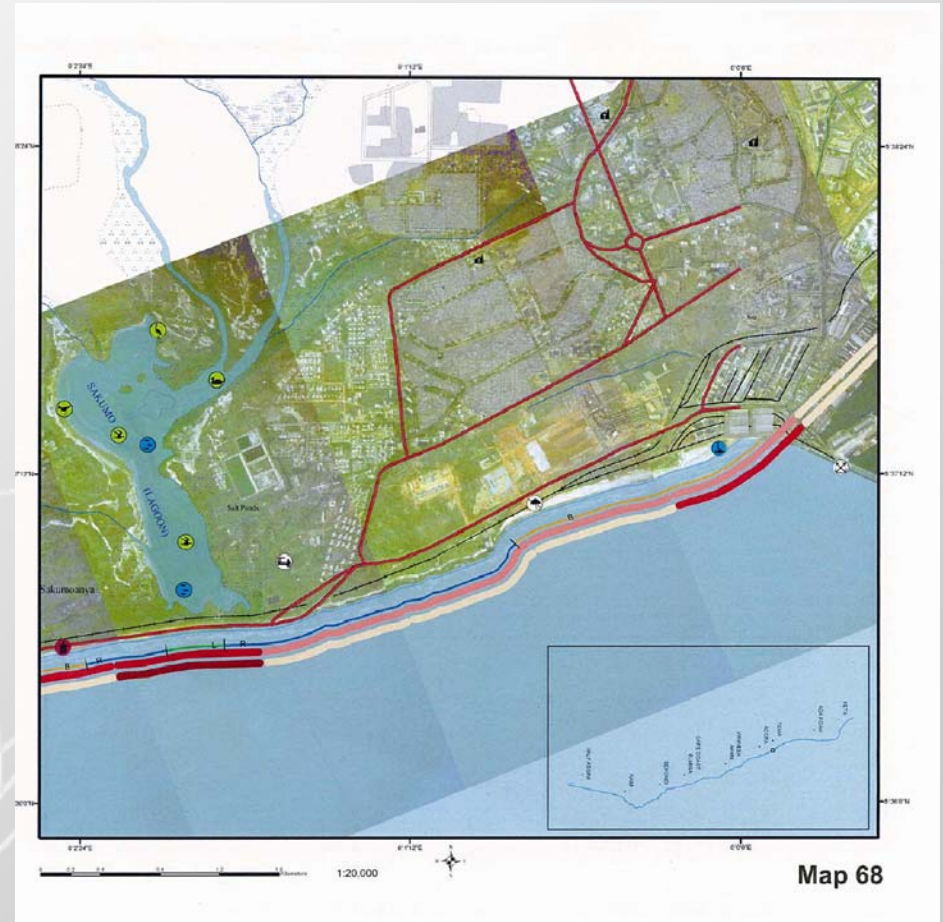
- Train delegates on Environmental Sensitivity Mapping ;
- Identify the existing environmental sensitivity maps in the region;
- Develop standard guidelines at regional level for Environmental Sensitivity Mapping





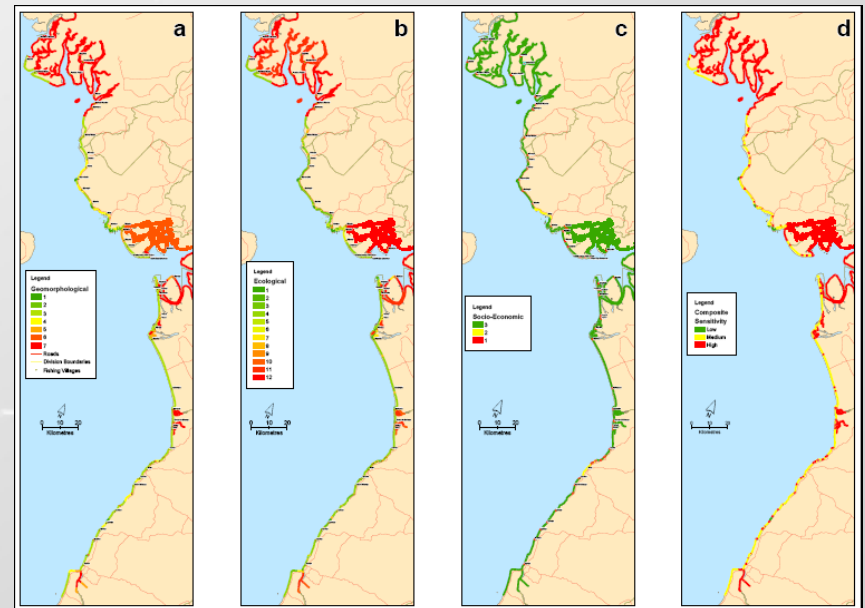
# Ghana Sensitivity Maps

- Use of G.I.S.
- Recent work,
- Mapping using E.S.I. method
- Include ranking of shore based on the 3 E.S.I. themes



# Cameroon Sensitivity Maps

- Use of G.I.S.,
- Recent work,
- Mapping using E.S.I. method
- Include ranking of shore based on the 3 E.S.I. themes merged into 1 index



# Republic of the Congo

- Paper version,
- Older work,
- Mapping using E.S.I. method
- Includes recommendations for cleanup operations



# Recommendation from the delegates

- Maps must be integrate into the national oil spill contingency plan and must be operational for oil spill response
- Maps must be develop in public/private partnership, and neighbouring states.
- Maps must use a common methodology in west and central African countries to ensure harmonisation in the region.
- Maps must be available to the public