



# Welcome

## South Africa's Inland Fisheries

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# Background

## The inland fisheries Sector

- Remains invisible and under-valued.
- Contribution towards food security and job creation.

## Recreational fishing subsector

- Estimated 1.5 million participants.
- Prominent activity on South African rivers and dams.
- Extent of the sector not fully understood.



## Small-scale fishing subsector

- Present in dams and rivers.
- Range from subsistence to small-scale.
- Customary use rights not recognised.

## South African Government

- Inland fisheries policy
- Policy objectives in South Africa (Poverty alleviation)
- Opportunities (food security)

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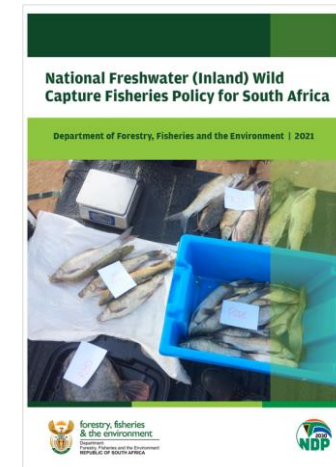
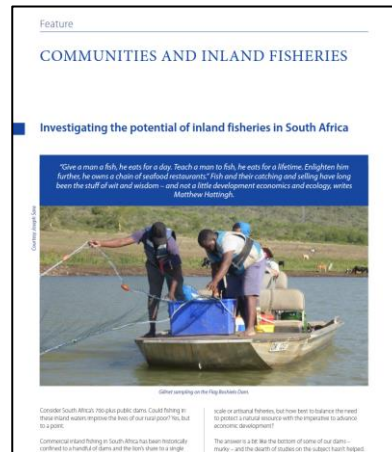
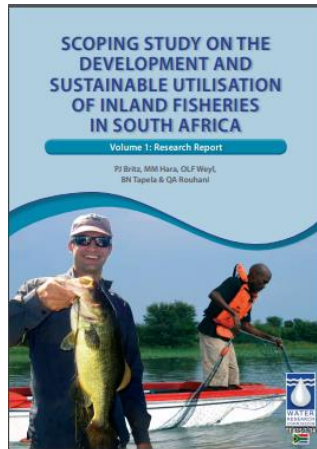
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# Policy development process

## Empirical estimation of National Inland Fisheries Productivity

- ❑ A 2015 WRC report.
- ❑ Policy development and implementation (consultations and research)
- ❑ Pilot projects (biological, socio-economic, value chains)
- ❑ Capacity building
- ❑ Institutional arrangements
- ❑ Training and awareness



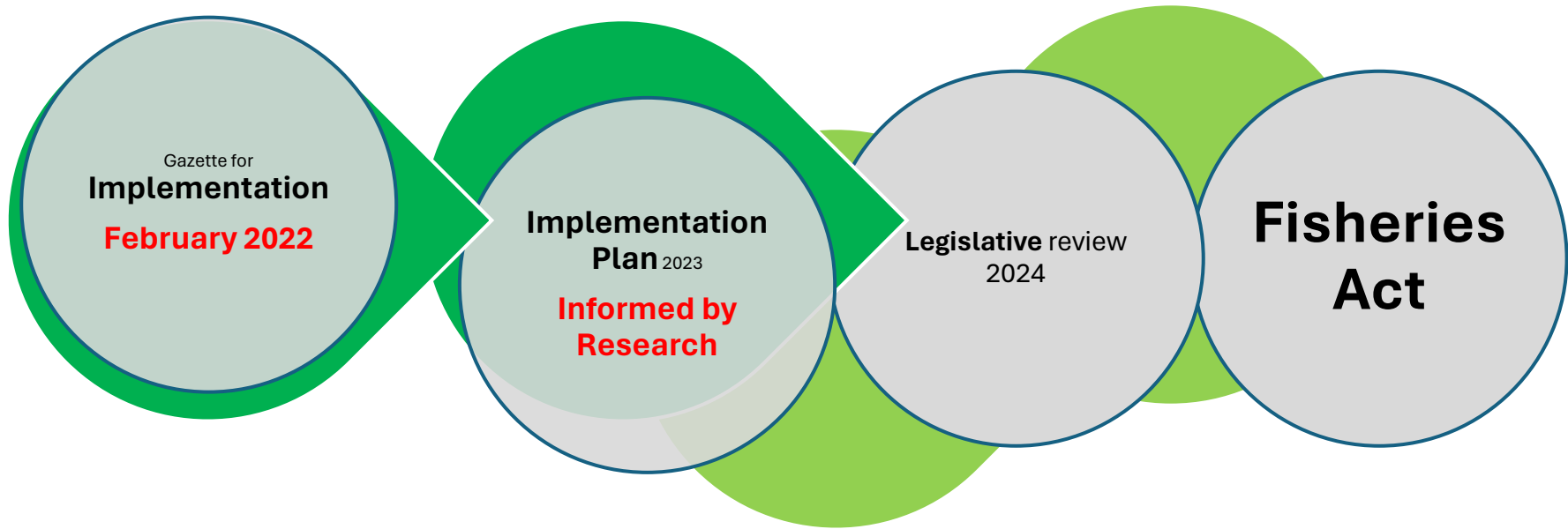
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# Current Status



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