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Client	Reference and title of the Action	Region / Country	Total Budget	Percentage of co-financing	Funding Agency	Dates (start/end)	Implementing partner
Eptisa Servicios de Ingeniaria, S.L.	Financing Agreement nº GM/FED/023-180 "Governance Programme in The Gambia"	The Gambia	10.000.000€	100%	European Commission	18/01/2012 to 18/01/2019	Ministry of Finance and Economic Affairs
Description of the Action					Services provided		
The present programme is the first EDF programme for Gambia in the field of Governance. The improvement of economic and political governance is a determining factor for sustained growth and poverty reduction.  The programme is structured along three components: Component nº1 "Access to justice and legal education", addresses the problems of diversity of sources of law and legal systems; the lack of knowledge of the population on access to justice, civic rights and duties; the limited capacity including human and material resources and training. Component nº2 "Journalist and the media" tackles the problems of freedom of expression and press liberty as areas of particular concern. Through Component nº 3 "Public Finance Management", the following needs are addressed: a comprehensive tax policy and revenue administration reforms in order to improve efficiency and effectiveness of revenue performance resources to finance future investments.					Monitoring and evaluati	OII SELVICES	
Intervention areas: The Programme has a national scope, although the great part of activities takes place in the Western Region and in particular in the Greater Banjul Area which is the administrative and economic centre of the country.							
<b>Objective</b> : to contribute to better democratic and economic governance through improving: 1) access to justice and legal education, 2) freedom of press and the quality of information available for the population, 3) public expenditure and financial accountability.							