



Cross-Border Radio Networks – New West African Integration Actors

“Communicating about borders”

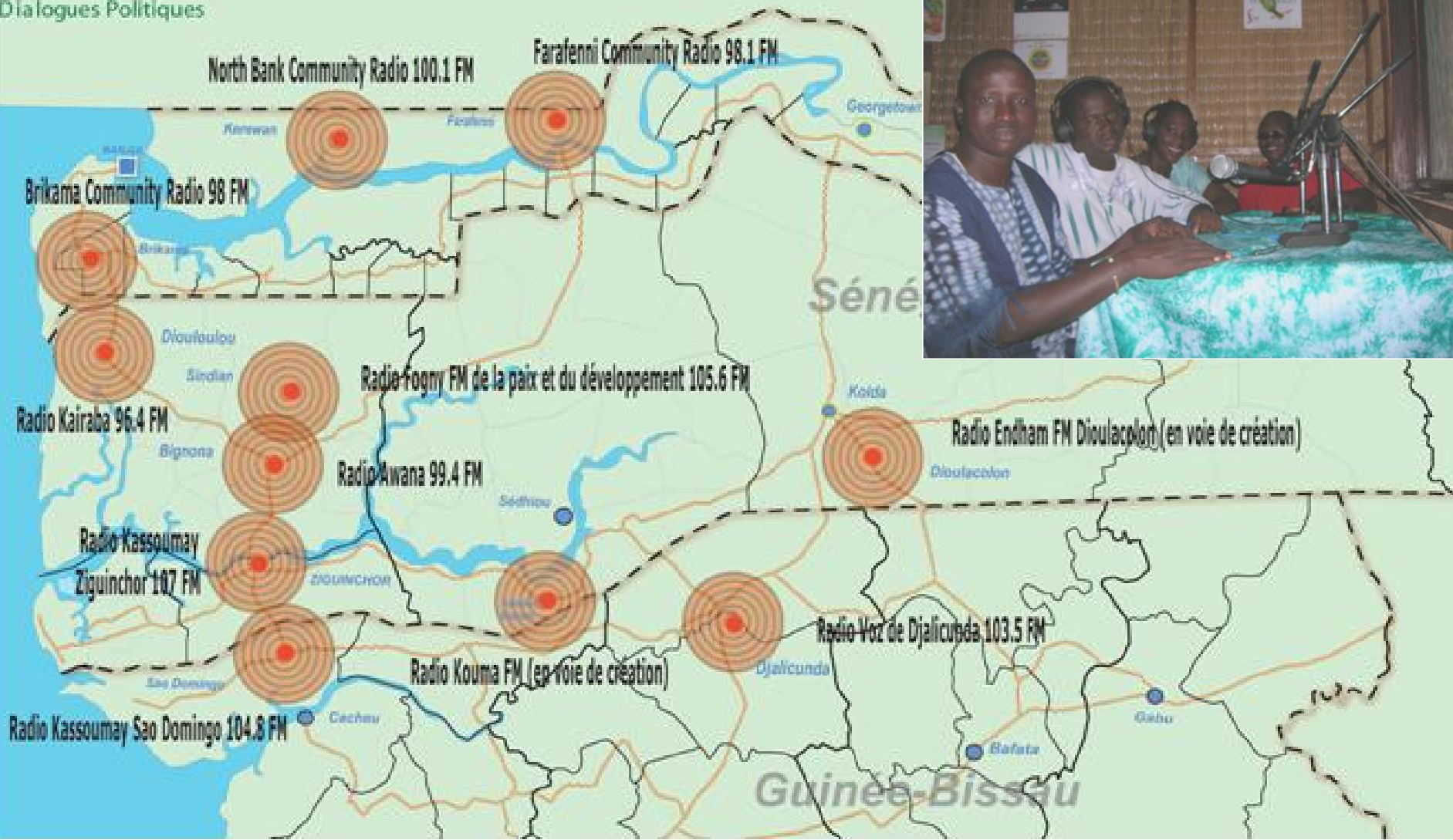
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- Siège de radio communautaire membre du RETRARC
- Localité
- Limite d'Etat
- Limite régionale
- Limite départementale
- Routes

Réseau Transfrontalier des Radios Communautaires de la Guinée Bissau, du Sénégal et de la Gambie (RETRARC GUISENGAM)

Enda Prospectives
Dialogues Politiques

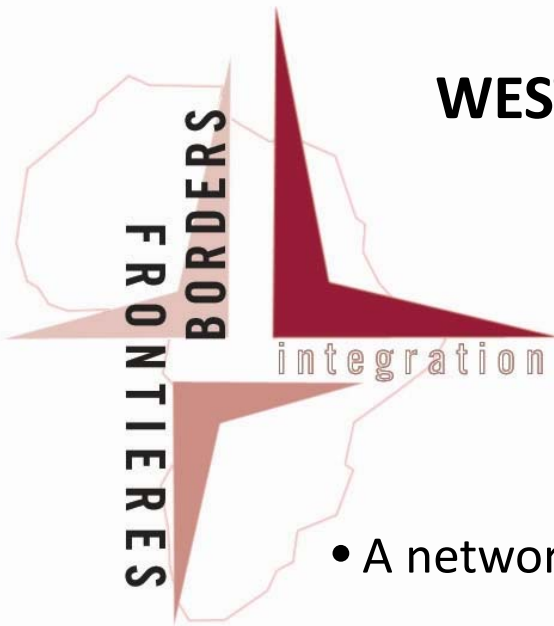


RETRARC Guisengam Radio Network (Senegambia)

- Creation of community radio network of 11 member stations (Sep 2006):
 - Definition of governing structure
 - Definition of mission:
 - Support cross-border community radio stations in promoting solidarity
 - Strengthen cultural and economic integration
 - Contribute to synergising all actors of cross-border cooperation
- Networks 2nd meeting – Needs and Obstacles (Feb 2007)
 - Training: technical, journalistic, thematic (post-conflict, ECOWAS laws)
 - Lack of technical equipment
 - Legal and regulatory issues
 - Funding

WEST AFRICAN BORDERS AND INTEGRATION




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








- A network founded by DNF - ENDA-DIAPOL - SWAC (2003)
- “Border Lands” concept
- The idea: ***“local private and public border actors can play an important role in regional cooperation in any sector”***
- On the ground activities – small in scale, but fast and effective

Programme d'Initiatives Transfrontalières : opérations pilotes
Cross-border Initiatives Programme : pilot operations







Éléments du P.I.T. / C.I.P. elements

-  Localité du P.I.T. / C.I.P. community *
 -  Espace pilote / Pilot operation
 -  Zone d'extension potentielle / Potential extension areas
- 0 150 300 km
 0 100 200 mi

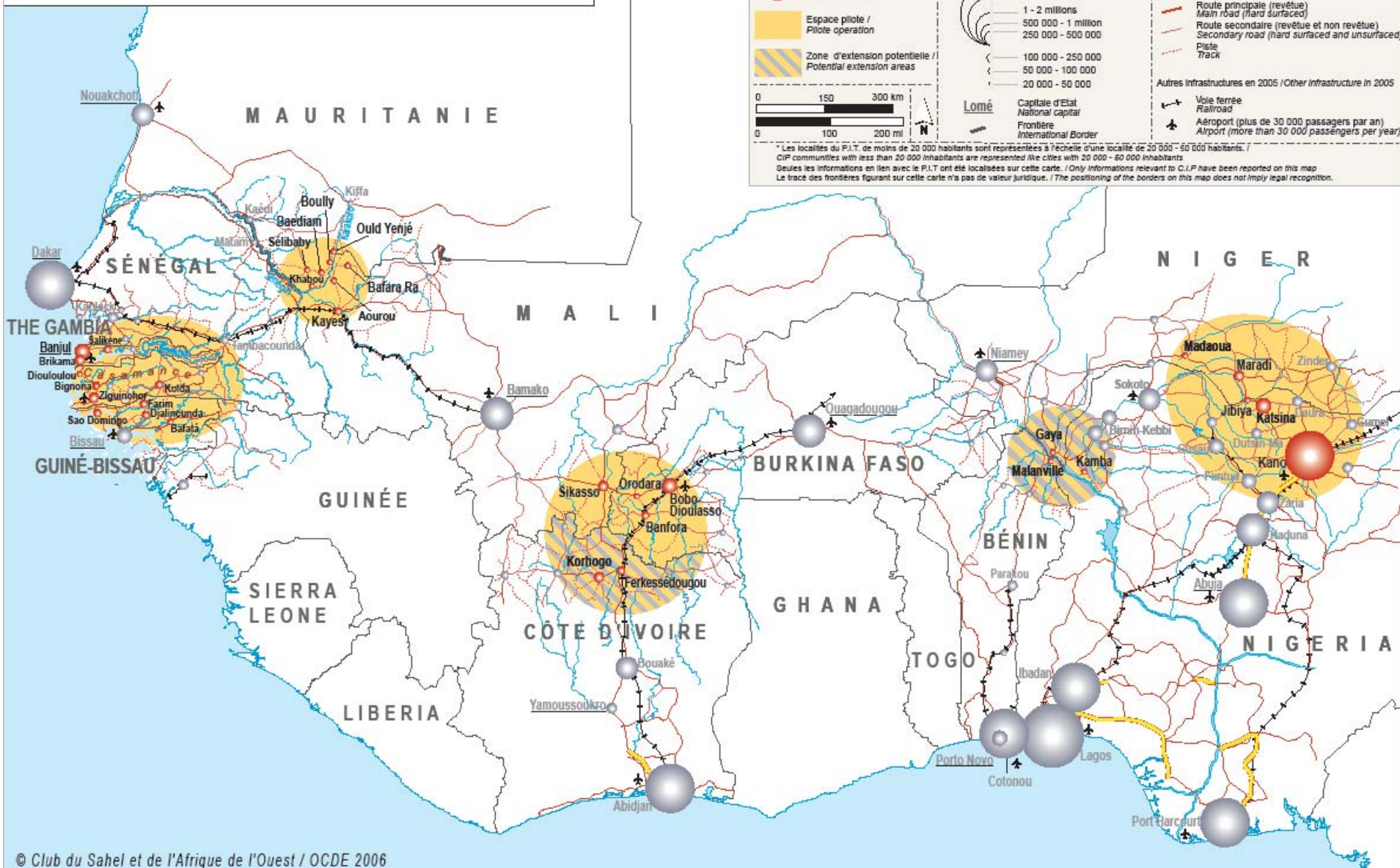
Villes / Cities

- Nombre d'habitants en 2005 / Inhabitants in 2005
-  > 10 millions
 -  2 - 10 millions
 -  1 - 2 millions
 -  500 000 - 1 million
 -  250 000 - 500 000
 -  100 000 - 250 000
 -  50 000 - 100 000
 -  20 000 - 50 000
- Lomé** Capitale d'Etat / National capital
 Frontière / International Border

Infrastructures de transport / Transport infrastructure

- Réseau routier en 2005 / Roads in 2005
-  Autoroute / Motorway
 -  Route principale (revêtue) / Main road (hard surfaced)
 -  Route secondaire (revêtue et non revêtue) / Secondary road (hard surfaced and unsurfaced)
 -  Piste / Track
- Autres infrastructures en 2005 / Other infrastructure in 2005
-  Voie ferrée / Railroad
 -  Aéroport (plus de 30 000 passagers par an) / Airport (more than 30 000 passengers per year)

* Les localités du P.I.T. de moins de 20 000 habitants sont représentées à l'échelle d'une localité de 20 000 - 50 000 habitants. / C.I.P. Communities with less than 20 000 inhabitants are represented like cities with 20 000 - 50 000 inhabitants. / Only informations relevant to C.I.P. have been reported on this map. / The positioning of the borders on this map does not imply legal recognition.





Kurumba Radio Network (S.K.Bo)

- Joint production of radio programmes promoting cross-border cooperation and regional integration - Sikasso C.I.P. launching workshop (Sep 2005)
- Workshop of community radio actors to define operational and production structure (Apr 2006):
 - Production committee
 - Production team
 - Road map
- The Start – 1st meeting of production committee (May 2006)
 - Produce first programmes (“Who is Kurumba”; “Common destiny: geography and history”)
 - Draft the Network’s Charter



Kano-Katsina-Maradi (K²M)

- Joint mission (7 institutions) in May 2005 after Niger Food Crisis
 - Sectoral approach
- Political consultations – strong support from national authorities
- Katsina workshop Sep 2007:
 - Establish three dialogue platforms
 - Establish a cross-border radio network
- Radio Network – Feasibility Phase
 - disseminate locally information on food crop markets
 - disseminate work undertaken by platforms
 - promote the K²M Cross-border Cooperation Initiative

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The way forward

- How to fill “wholes” in map?
- Mutual benefit ECOWAS – Cross-border radio networks
- How to assure viability, quality and funding?

Information on WABI and C.I.P.

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