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Fishing is a vital part of life in west Africa, from Senegal to Cote d'Ivoire, but overfishing and bad management threatens fishing livelihoods. In Liberia, a new, shorter Inshore Exclusion Zone could cause a blow for the 33,000 Liberians who rely on fish, says the **Environmental Justice Foundation**. And we speak to leading fish researcher Dr. Dyhia Belhabib of the **Sea Around Us Project** at the University of British Columbia to find out how she has developed a way to measure the catch of artisanal fisherpeople, or those who fish for local markets.



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