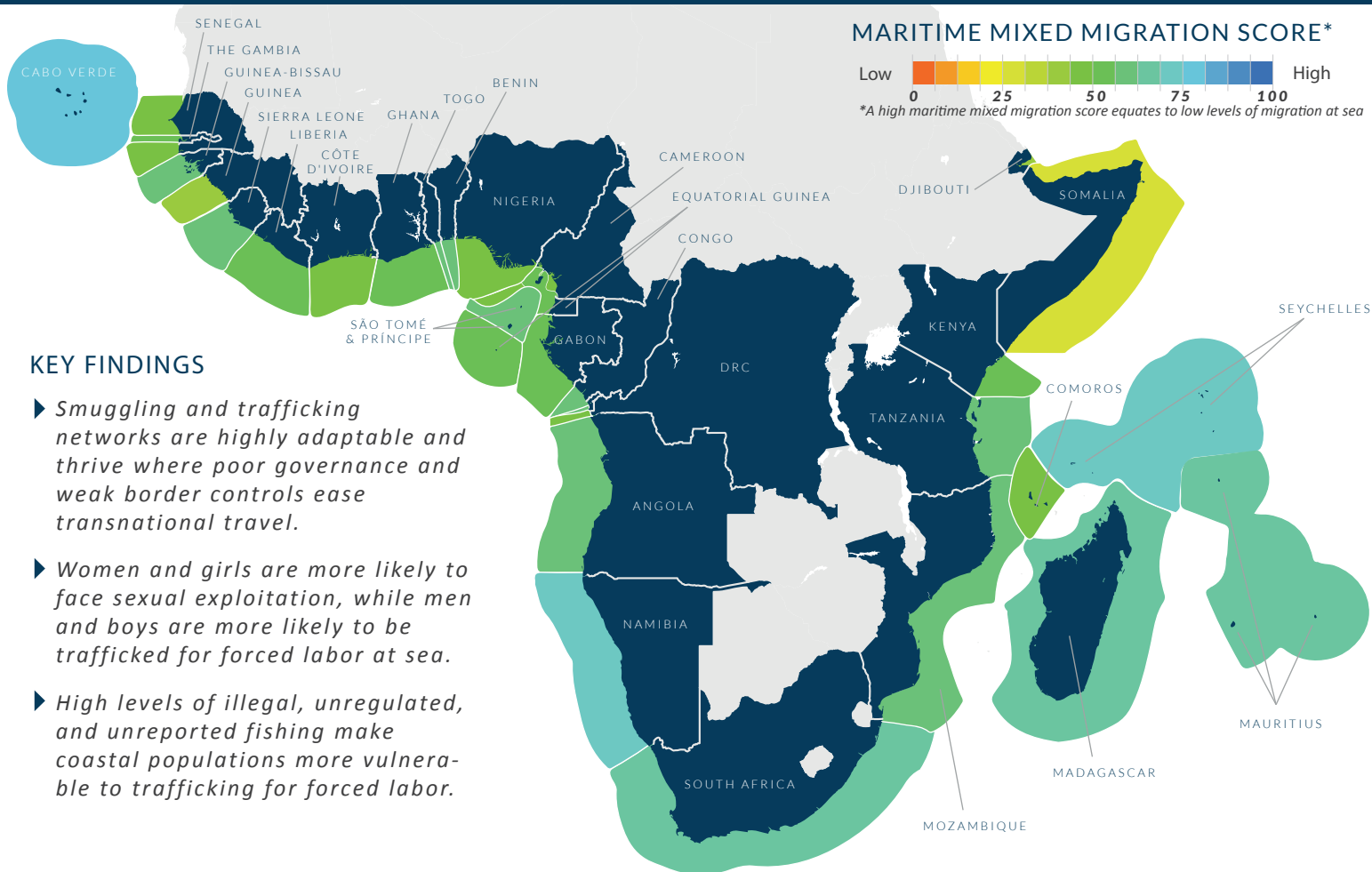


# MARITIME MIXED MIGRATION

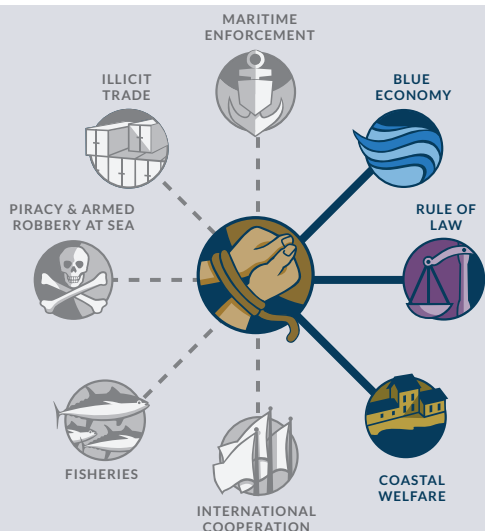
**SCORING FACTORS:** Forms of Human Trafficking & Smuggling (and degree at sea), Legal Protections, Vulnerabilities

Human smuggling and trafficking, slavery, economic migration, asylum-seeking, and the illicit sex trade are inseparable. Smuggling routes and networks shift with political and economic conditions, so addressing mixed migration requires regional coordination. Our score looks at different forms of human smuggling and trafficking and accounts for the extent to which the movement of people occurs at sea.



## KEY FINDINGS

- ▶ *Smuggling and trafficking networks are highly adaptable and thrive where poor governance and weak border controls ease transnational travel.*
- ▶ *Women and girls are more likely to face sexual exploitation, while men and boys are more likely to be trafficked for forced labor at sea.*
- ▶ *High levels of illegal, unregulated, and unreported fishing make coastal populations more vulnerable to trafficking for forced labor.*



## KEY LINKS to OTHER ISSUES AREAS

*High Maritime Mixed Migration scores coincided with high scores in:*

- ▶ **BLUE ECONOMY:** *strong blue economies were linked to lower rates of migration at sea*
- ▶ **RULE OF LAW:** *countries with strong Rule of Law had less maritime-based migration*
- ▶ **COASTAL WELFARE:** *where coastal economies and security were high, maritime mixed migration was less*