

The Africa We Want

Agenda 2063

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Introduction

➤ In June 2014 Summit, the Executive Council, through its Decision EX.CL/821(XXV) took note of the Report of the Commission on :-

➤ The development of the African Union Agenda 2063.

➤ The comprehensive Technical Document (Draft).

➤ The Popular Version of Agenda 2063 (Draft).

Introduction (2)

In June 2014 Summit, the Executive Council requested:

- i) **Member States** to conduct national consultations on both Agenda the 2063 technical document and the popular version and to provide inputs to the Commission by 31 October 2014.
- ii) **The Commission** to continue working with the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA), AfDB, and the UNECA in finalizing the Agenda 2063 Documents; the First 10- year plan; and the implementation, monitoring and evaluation framework, for submission to the January 2015 meetings of the AU Policy Organs.
- iii) **The Commission** to continue to explore and prepare concrete actions in the implementation of priority programmes and projects identified in Agenda 2063.
- iv) **The Commission** in collaboration with the **NEPAD** Agency, **UNECA** and **AfDB** to carry out the necessary consultations with Island States with a view to developing a mechanism to ensure that their peculiarities, priorities and concerns are integrated into Agenda 2063 and related programmes.

Progress to Date

The AUC embarked on the following key activities aimed at implementing the above stated Malabo Council Decision on Agenda 2063:

- i) Finalization of the Agenda 2063 Technical Document and Popular Version.**
- ii) Preparation of the First 10-year Implementation Plan, and M&E Framework.**
- iii) Conceptualization and initial preparatory activities of Agenda 2063 Flagship Programmes and Initiatives.**
- iv) Continued consultations with key stakeholders not covered in the earlier rounds.**

Progress to Date (2)

Technical Document and Popular Version

Valuable inputs significantly contributed to the finalization of both documents:-

- ✓ All comments received in Malabo and thereafter from Member States and other various stakeholders have been fully incorporated into both Documents.
- ✓ In addition more inputs have been received from Member States.
- ✓ Valuable contributions were also received from :-
 - A High Level Conference of National Planning Bodies in Africa organized by the UNECA and the Institute for Development and Planning in Kigali, Rwanda on 1-2 September 2014;
 - Consultation with African Faith Based Groups organized by the Commission on 5-7 November 2014 in Nairobi, Kenya.
 - Consultation with Island States held in Victoria, Seychelles on 2-4 December 2014.
 - Forum of former African Heads of States and Governments in Johannesburg 10-12 December 2014.
 - Consultative and co-ordination meeting of AUC/AfDB/UNECA/NEPAD/RECs on 2 December.
 - The Bahir-Dar Ministerial Follow-up Committee on the implementation of the Bahir-Dar ministerial retreat on Agenda 2063 .
- ✓ The Commission also took every available opportunity to make presentations on Agenda 2063 at regular technical and Ministerial Meetings organized by the various Departments.

Progress to Date (3)

First 10-Year Implementation Plan, and M&E Framework

- Identification of thematic focus and priorities for the first 10 years of Agenda 2063 was done in consultation with relevant AUC Departments;
- Consultations with the AU Commission's departments/divisions were also conducted in the setting of national, regional and continental level targets (quantitative and process targets/milestones) including mechanisms to support implementation;
- The First Ten-Year Implementation Plan should be considered as a **living document** that needs to be subjected to regular reviews and re-orientations.
- As part of this process, a validation exercise for the goals, targets, strategies and indicators will be initiated, whereby African Experts, from the following six sectors, will be invited to provide their inputs and expert advice.
 - ✓ Manufacturing/Industry, Trade and Investment.
 - ✓ Human Capital Development (Health and Science, Technology, Innovation, Higher Education and ICT driven education);.
 - ✓ Governance, Democracy, Peace and Security.
 - ✓ Social and Cultural Development including Youth and Women.
 - ✓ Agriculture, Blue Economy and Environment.
 - ✓ Integration/Infrastructure (Transport, Energy and Communication)

Overview of the Agenda 2063 Technical Document

Agenda 2063, Africa's endogenous plan and shared strategic framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development is based on 3 dimensions: as follows :

- a) **The Vision for 2063:** Has its basis on the African Union Vision and the seven aspirations emanating from the voices of the stakeholders consulted, it paints a vivid picture of where Africans would like to see their continent 50 years from now, when Africa would be celebrating the centenary of the founding of the OAU. The vision incorporates milestones, which represent transitions in the journey towards the “Africa we Want” by 2063.
 - b) **The Transformation Framework:** presents the foundations on which Agenda 2063 is built, as well as the detailed milestones towards 2063 in the form of goals, priority areas, targets and indicative strategies. The framework is in the form of comprehensive results matrices at national, regional and continental levels. This will facilitate measurement of progress and strengthen accountability for delivery of results at all levels. The transformation framework represents the “what must be done” to attain the vision for 2063.
 - c) **Making it Happen:** outlines the “how to get there” of Agenda 2063, and treats aspects related to implementation, monitoring and evaluation principles and responsibilities; financing; partnerships; capacities for implementation; and communication and outreach.
- The three dimensions are presented in 6 chapters

Agenda 2063 Technical Document

It has the following six chapters:

1. Introduction situates the Agenda 2063 in historical context.
2. The Vision and Aspirations for Agenda 2063
3. Progress, Challenges and Implications for Agenda 2063
4. Goals, Priority areas, Targets and Indicative Strategies
5. Success Factors, Mega Trends, Risks and Mitigation Strategies
6. : “Making It Happen”

Overview of the Agenda 2063 Popular Version

- The Agenda 2063 Popular Version derives entirely from the Technical Document presented above and its purpose is to render Agenda 2063 in simple terms, in such a way that it can be understood by Africans of all walks of life.
- The ultimate goal is to increase its appeal to all Africans, thus contributing to its popularization, ensuring ownership and the full mobilization of the African citizenry in support of its implementation.
- Currently, the Popular Version is all four African Union official languages (Arabic, English, French, and Portuguese).
- There are plans to translate the popular version into some of the major African languages.

Agenda 2063 Technical Document

Chapter 6: “Making It Happen”

Chapter 6 presents the following elements of making it happen:-

- Implementation.**
- Monitoring and Evaluation.**
- Financing.**
- Partnerships.**
- Capacities for implementation.**
- Communication and outreach.**

Overview of the First 10-Year Implementation Plan

The Agenda 2063 First Ten-Year Implementation Plan seeks to:

- a) Outline the priority areas, set specific targets, provide indicative strategies for the national, regional and continental levels for the first ten years for each of the seven aspirations for domestication;
- b) Outline the institutional arrangements/broad policy guidelines as to how all stakeholders from national to continental will implement, monitor and evaluate the plan implementation; and
- c) Indicate the potential sources of funding, capacity requirements and strategies for communicating with the African Citizenry to ensure ownership and outcomes of the Agenda 2063.

Overview of the First 10-Year Implementation Plan (2)

The Monitoring and Evaluation Framework

The Key Principles of the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework are aimed at guiding all stakeholders in decisions and actions in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation.

These principles include:

- Subsidiarity within the context of role assignment between national, RECs and continental levels;
- Accountability and transparency.
- Participation, inclusiveness and integration and sensitivity to diversity.

Overview of the Agenda 2063 First 10-Year Implementation Plan (3)

Stakeholder relationships and responsibilities

- The key players at national (governments, non-state actors etc), regional (RECs and professional bodies and associations), continental (AU Policy Organs, AUC, NEPAD, Pan African Parliament, AfDB, UNECA etc) have been assigned actions to take, roles to play and reporting relationships in the implementation, M&E of the plan.
- Detailed policy guidelines to this effect have been prepared and annexed to the plan document (annex 1).
- Generalized implementation timelines for the plan execution at continental, regional and national levels by various stakeholders have been prepared and annexed to the plan (Annex 2)

Overview of the Agenda 2063 First 10-Year Implementation Plan (4)

Capacity Development, the capacity needs

- At the national, regional and continental levels have been spelt out in broad terms for the areas of implementation, monitoring and evaluation.
- A Capacity Needs Assessment for Member States, RECs / AU Organs will commence shortly and when completed, it will serve as input into implementation manual at all levels.

Communication Strategy

- As part of the implementation framework, a Communication Strategy has been developed for implementation at national, regional and continental levels.
- The objective is to galvanize participation and ownership by the African Citizenry

Overview of the Agenda 2063 First 10-Year Implementation Plan (5)

Financing The Agenda 2063

- Funding availability is a necessary condition for the successful implementation of Agenda 2063.
- In view of this A Resource Mobilization Strategy for Agenda 2063 which builds on NEPAD/UNECA Study on Domestic Resource Mobilization for financing development has been prepared.
 - It has identified key areas that require financing for every aspiration/goal/priority area.
 - In the same vein, it has identified potential sources of funding for each of them.
 - The study is also providing options and processes aimed at ensuring that these potential sources are actualized at the national, regional and continental levels.
 - The Study also makes recommendations on facilitation measures for building financial/capital markets in member states which have to be implemented as part of the domestication and execution of the First Ten Year Plan.

Outcome of the 24th AU Summit

During the January 2015 Summit, the AU Policy Organs expressed their satisfaction on the work done so far and adopted the Agenda 2063 Technical Document and Agenda 2063 Popular Version. In addition they requested:

- a. The AU Commission to intensify popularization of the Agenda 2063.
- b. Member States and RECs to accelerate domestication of the Agenda 2063 and integrating it into their respective development initiatives and plans.
- c. The Commission to make necessary consultations with RECs and all stakeholders and partners to finalize the First Ten-Year Implementation for its submission to the next AU summit in June/July 2015.
- d. To make sure that concerns of the island and landlocked states are adequately mainstreamed
- e. To re-structure the Commission to accommodate Agenda 2063
- f. To integrate the Blue Economy within the Agenda 2063 Framework
- h. Executive Council to deliberate the Ten Year Implementation Plan in a Retreat

Outcome of the 24th AU Summit (2)

g. To prepare the execution plan of following flagships to be submitted in June:

(i) Integrated High Speed Train Network;

(ii) Great Inga Dam;

(iii) Single African Aviation Market;

(iv) Outer Space;

(v) The Pan African E-Network;

(vi) Creation of an Annual African Consultative Platform;

(vi) Establishment of the Virtual University;

(vii) Free Movement of Persons and the African Passport;

(viii) The Continental Free Trade Area;

(ix) Silencing the Guns by 2020;

(x) Development of a Commodity Strategy;

(xi) Madiba Nelson Mandela Decade 2014-2024;

(xii) Establishment of the Continental financial Institutions, including the African Central Bank by

2030.