



# THE NEW PARTNERSHIP FOR AFRICA'S DEVELOPMENT

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# INTRODUCTION

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- It is four years since the adoption of the NEPAD as a socio-economic renewal programme for Africa;
- During the last 4 years, the NEPAD founding document has been complemented with detailed implementation plans covering all key priorities such as regional infrastructure;
- This briefing will highlight commitments by African governments and where we need strong support from our partners in advancing Progress in the Implementation of the NEPAD Infrastructure Programme



## PRINCIPLES ON WHICH THE NEPAD PROGRAMMES IS BASED

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- African ownership and leadership;
- Self reliant development;
- Promotion of good governance and sound economic management;
- Recognition of the diversity of African countries;
- Accelerated regional economic integration;
- Promotion of partnerships with the private sector, civil society and the international community;
- A new partnership with highly industrialised countries and multilateral institutions based on mutual respect and responsibility.



## **INFRASTRUCTURE: KEY TO REGIONAL INTEGRATION**

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- **The main aim of NEPAD is the promotion of regional integration and development to generate economies of scale**
- **Infrastructure is regarded a priority in promoting regional integration to overcome the lack of economies of scale in Africa**
- **Bridging the infrastructure gap is identified as an important element in promoting regional integration**
- **Infrastructure is also an important element in reducing Africa's economic marginalization**
- **There can be no meaningful development without trade – and there can be no trade without adequate and reliable infrastructure**



## CRITERIA FOR SELECTION OF PROJECTS IN THE STAP

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- Projects that were at an advanced stage of preparation and that could be fast tracked
- Projects that support both a regional approach to infrastructure provision and regional integration
- Projects that have stalled for political reasons and where NEPAD intervention is expected to make a difference
- Projects that offer solutions to regional policy, regulatory or institutional constraints to regional infrastructure activities
- Projects that respond to the involvement of the private sector in infrastructure provision



## CHALLENGES

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- **Capacity Building to plan, develop and manage implementation of regional development programmes/projects at all levels; RECs, NEPAD Secretariat, Implementing Agencies, etc**
- **Coordination Framework to enhance institutional efficiency by defining roles, responsibilities and functions for all parties**
- **Coordination Framework for mobilizing and securing the necessary resources to implement regional programmes/projects**



## CHALLENGES (Continued)

- **Information Sharing, monitoring and management – establishment of Continental database with linkage to RECs databases**
- **Lack of funding mechanisms targeted at regional/multi country initiatives**
- **Lack of enabling environment – harmonization of institutional, regulatory frameworks, setting of common standards, etc**

# CONTRIBUTION BY COOPERATING PARTNERS NEEDED TO ADVANCE PROGRESS



- Increase support to the NEPAD- Infrastructure Preparation Facility (IPPF)
- Adopt policies that support channeling of assistance targeted at multi country programmes/projects
- Improve mechanisms for co-financing of projects
- Industrialized countries and multilateral institutions to increase their financial support particularly under the MDGs.
- Agreement on increasing resource flows for regional programmes/projects and monitoring of progress on an annual basis.
- scaled up significantly the investment that includes maintenance plan in Africa to realise significant progress: additional US\$ 10 billion per year



## COMMITMENT BY AFRICANS

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- **Improve Investment Climate by:**
    - **Improving political stability in Africa**
    - **Creating an enabling environment suitable for investment**
    - **Intensifying Private Sector participation**
    - **Establishing “special vehicles” to expedite processes of assurances and guarantees for regional projects**
    - **Sharing knowledge and good practices**
    - **Increasing domestic resources to fund regional programmes/projects: 9% of GDP to be committed annually to infrastructure**
    - **Establish programme specific institutions that are legally constituted for implementing regional programmes**
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