## **Transforming Africa**

#### The role of NEPAD and South-South Cooperation

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#### Outline I



The global context



Africa is transforming...



...but challenges remain



Is there an "African system"?



Where is the State?



Africa's position in the value chain

#### Outline II



#### **Opportunities exist**



The conditions and implications of structural transformation



Africa's response: planning for transformation, sector strategies and implementation, South-South Cooperation

#### The world we live in...

Failures of multilateralism

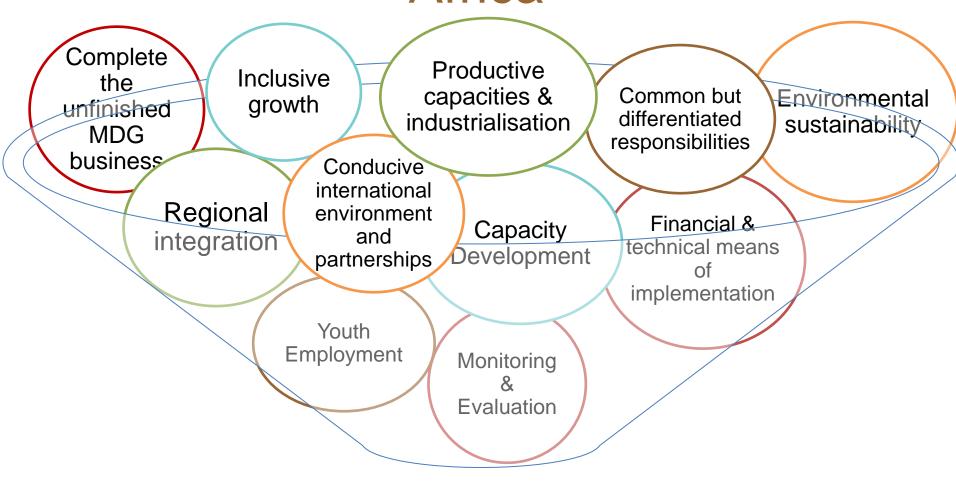
Making the Post-2015 agenda work for Africa

Handicaps of global governance

The "age of choice" (ODI)



## Making the Post-2015 agenda work for Africa



## Africa is changing...

Intergenerational change

Invisible integration

Innovation leaps: "Africa takes lead in mobile revolution" (Financial Times, March 2013)

- In 2011, the mobile phone ecosystem provided more than five million jobs and contributed around US\$15 billion directly to government revenue.
- 650 million mobile subscriptions in 2012, i.e. more than in the United States or the European Union.
- Africa is leading the trend of mobile money systems, with 60 of the 130 mobile money systems implemented in the developing world (March 2012). Kenya's M-Pesa mobile money system replicated in India, Afghanistan, Qatar, Fiji.



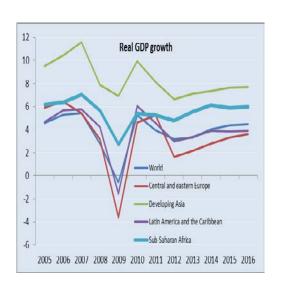
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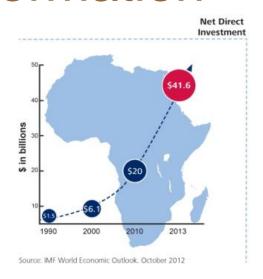
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#### Continent-wide transformation



7 of the ten fastestgrowing countries globally based in our continent In 2013, expected growth rate of over 7% for 12 of Africa's 54 economies



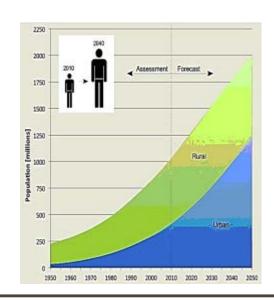
#### **Growing population:**

Africa's population expected to double by 2050; 400 million young people by 2035

#### **Growing middle class:**

Currently 34% of the population; Expected to grow to 1bn by 2060

→ Rising domestic demand



#### **Capital flows into Africa**

- Funding still resilient during financial crisis.
- ✓ \$48 billion (2011), threequarters from FDI flows.
- Rate of return on foreign investment is higher in Africa than any other regions
- Drivers of FDI growth are increasingly coming from within the continent



## ...But challenges remain

**Poverty levels in Africa remain high:** Absolute poverty rate is next to 50% in Sub-Saharan Africa; Absolute number of poor has grown steadily between 1981 and 2010; Twice more extremely poor people (414 million) than three decades ago (205 million)



**social inequality:** new middle class (1/3 population) but from the 10 most unequal countries, 7 are African; poverty in rural areas is massive



**youth employment:** between 2010 and 2020, the continent is set to add 122m people to its labour force, youth represents 60% of the continental unemployment



**fragile democracies:** significant progress in democratisation across the continent, but foundations are weak – cases of Tunisia and Mali



**natural resources governance:** Africa's natural resources were worth \$333 billion in exports in 2010...but an estimated \$1 trillion every year is lost in illicit financial outflows from developing countries



regional integration: intra-African trade remains low, potential for regional valuechains rests untapped; African economies are insufficiently diversified and are essentially commodity-based

## Is there an "African system"?

Political vision

Development Experts' vision

Researchers' vision

... what lies behind?

#### Where is the State?

#### 1<sup>st</sup> phase:

Aid-centred and 'schizophrenic'

#### 2nd phase:

De-structured through the SAPs

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> phase:

Reconstructing itself



#### Africa's position in the value chain could improve



- Most minerals exported as raw materials
- Africa's mineral resources remain under-explored and underexploited
- Insufficient levels of geosciences knowledge to attract exploration and investment

## Opportunities exist

**Means of our ambitions:** FDI=50bn\$/y; capital flight=80bn\$/y; tax=520bn\$ and tax evasion≈25bn\$/y → opportunity to go beyond (declining) ODA

**Governance** is improving as a result of more coherent institutions and a new generation of leaders open to accountability – **APRM@10** 

Africa's **institutional architecture for integration** is better defined, with **anchor role for RECs – CFTA by 2017** 

International context is more conducive to greater ownership and leadership by Africa of its own development process

# The conditions of structural transformation

Combination of top-down and bottom-up approaches in planning and implementing processes

Mainstreaming of social inequality reduction strategies

Youth employment as a cornerstone

## What does this imply?

Adapted governance systems (multisector approach, citizen empowerment)

Renewed leadership (accountability)

Regional integration as the trigger of national solutions – not as the integration of existing governance systems (e.g. CAADP, PIDA, AIDA)

Results-driven partnerships

## Africa's response:

## Planning for long-term transformation



NEPAD Strategic Plan 2014-2017

#### **AGENDA 2063**

"A global strategy to optimize use of Africa's resources for the benefits of all Africans"

Regional integration agenda

**Increased planning capacities** 

Sustained growth but with inequalities

#### Sector strategies to advance Africa's transformation

NEPAD as a comprehensive programme of the African Union with priorities and approaches for the political and socio-economic transformation of Africa

#### **AU Vision**

An integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in global arena

#### **NEPAD Strategic Focus**

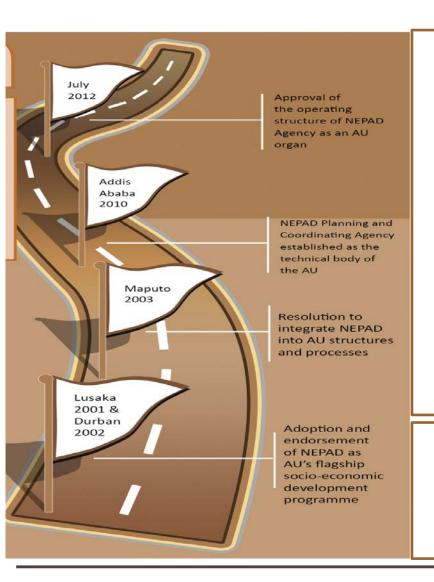
Agriculture and Food Security

Regional integration and infrastructure

Climate
Change and
Natural
Resource
Management

Human Development Economic and Corporate Governance Gender
Empowerment
Capacity
Development

### Stronger institutions – the NEPAD Agency



#### New mandate & structure

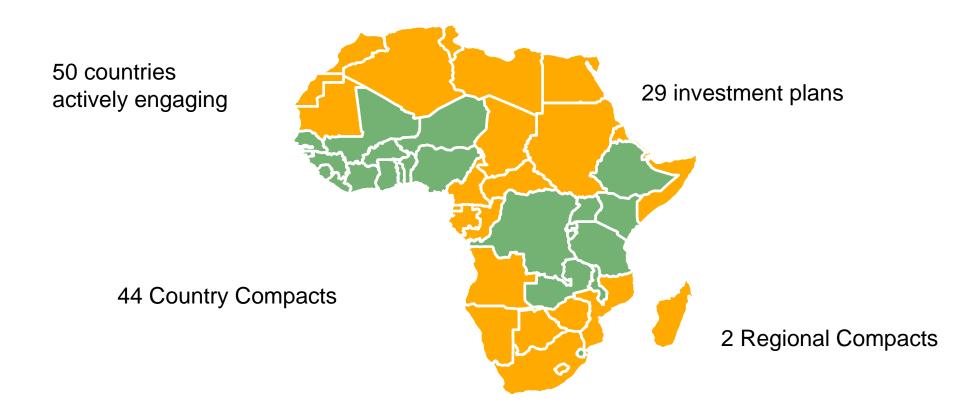
- A legal identity within the AU family
- NEPAD Agency as a technical body of the AU
- Clearer thus stronger role and responsibilities within the AU system and strategy
- On-going recruitment process to match long-term orientation of AU/NEPAD transformation agenda

#### **Results-based management**

 From sector-based approach to programmatic and thematic activities

## Implementing NEPAD Flagship Programmes

**Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)** 



## Implementing NEPAD Flagship Programmes



## Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

#### 16 Priority projects

- Abidjan Lagos Coastal Corridor
- Abidjan Ouagadougou Road-Rail
- Batoka Gorge Hydropower
- Brazzaville Kinshasa Road-Rail Bridge and Kinshasa – Ilebo Railways
- Dar Es Salaam Port Expansion
- Douala-Bangui-N'Djamena Corridor
- Juba Torit Kapoeta Nadapal Eldoret
- Kampala Jinga road upgrading
- Lusaka Lilongwe ICT Fibre Optic
- Modernisation of Dakar-Bamako Rail Line
- Nigeria Algeria Gas Pipeline
- North African Transmission corridor
- Ruzizi III Hydropower
- Sambangalou Dam
- Serenje Nakonde Road
- Zambia Tanzania Kenya Transmission Line

#### SSC and Africa

## South-South Cooperation

- An additional booster for Africa's transformation
  - Use southern-led expertise and resources;
  - Exchange technology and information;
  - Develop local capacities

## The African Union

- Strengthening South-South partnerships to make development more effective
- Developing continental frameworks: FOCAC, Africa-India Forum, Africa-South America
  - 3rd ASA Summit in Malabo (February 2013)

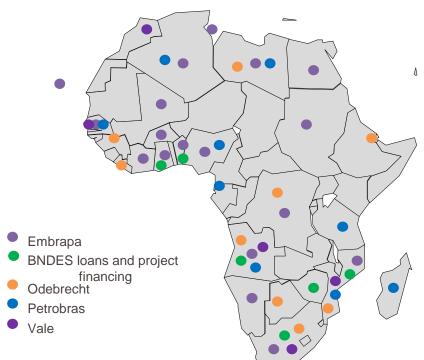
#### The NEPAD Agency

- Partnership with Brazil and Colombia:
  - Cooperation in transformative sectors (agriculture, infrastructure, natural resources governance)
  - Promotion of trade and investment
  - Knowledge exchange and mutual learning

#### Brazil's Investment in Africa

Brazilian Multinational Corporations and government institutions have an extensive footprint on the continent

#### Example of some of Brazil's footprint in Africa



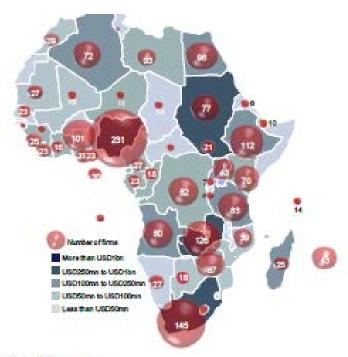
- Africa plays a pivotal role in Brazil's global agenda: seeking to shape a new trade geography that will place developing countries at the forefront of energy and food security, and resource management.
- Brazil's New Foreign Policy: linking various agencies (e.g. BNDES, EMBRAPA and the Brazilian Export Promotion Agency, APEX) with diplomatic agreements and business interests (eg. Petrobras, VALE, Camargo Correa and Odebrecht)
- Brazil's Key and Growing Interests
  - •oil (Nigeria and Angola),
  - Biofuels and associated technology,
  - Food / agricultural production
- Competitive Advantage: Africa's growing markets and large agricultural potential, as well as its technological deficit, provide Brazilian companies with a formidable competitive advantage in expanding their global reach and establishing market participants on the both the demand and supply sides.
- The Core of Brazil's Strategy: providing free assistance to African governments looking to improve levels of farming sophistication, as well as those interested in developing indigenous biofuels industries.

Source: DBSA research (2011), Standard Bank, "Brazil weds itself to Africa's latent agricultural potential" (1 February 2010); Lyal White, "Understanding Brazil's New Drive for Africa" (SA Journal of International Affairs, Vol.17, No.2, August 2010, 221-242). Analysis Source: Development Bank of South Africa

#### China's Investment in Africa

A crucial feature of China's rapid engagement in Africa has been the role of Chinese finance, involving China's policy banks to its commercial banking sector

China's FDI stock and number of Chinese firms



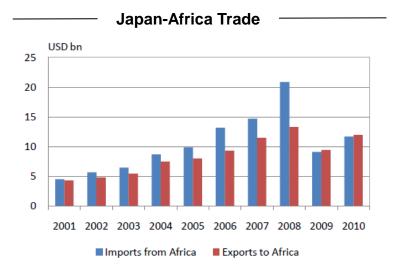
Sources: MOFCOM, SBR

'We assess risk differently. There isn't an African country that we would not invest in.' (Senior official, China ExIm Bank, Sept 2009)

Analysis Source: Development Bank of South Africa Source: Riaan Meyer, SAIIA, "Chinese Financial Institutions in Africa" (March 2011); Standard Bank, "EM10 and Africa: China-Africa-taking stock after a decade of advance (19 March 2012)

- Chinese investments have been spearheaded by policy banks which complements the competitiveness of Chinese firms in Africa, and bolsters trade.
- China's capital is seeking (seemingly successfully) to secure markets for its goods and employment opportunities for its labour. And, Africa has provided fertile terrain for this strategy.
- Investments have **ushered in Chinese firms**, most prominently large State Owned Enterprises, though increasingly followed by private Chinese firms and entrepreneurs.
- Though estimates of Chinese investment to Africa vary dramatically, Chinese official statistics suggest the country has FDI stock of USD13bn on the continent. However, Chinese cumulative capital investments into Africa since 2000 are potentially north of USD30bn.

## Japan: an emerging strategic partner

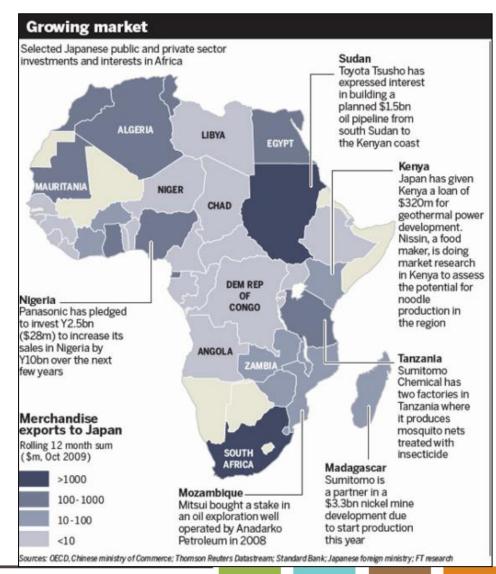


Japan-Africa trade increased almost fourfold between 2001 and 2008

**`Japan's FDI** to Africa exceeded its 2012 target of \$3.4 billion, reaching **over \$6 billion** 

Over 300 Japanese companies currently operating in Africa – almost 1/3 in South Africa

The automotive, construction and telecom sectors have attracted the lion's share of Japanese investment



## NEPAD-Argentina: the way forward

**NEPAD Agency:** a SSC broker for African countries and regions on priority programmes

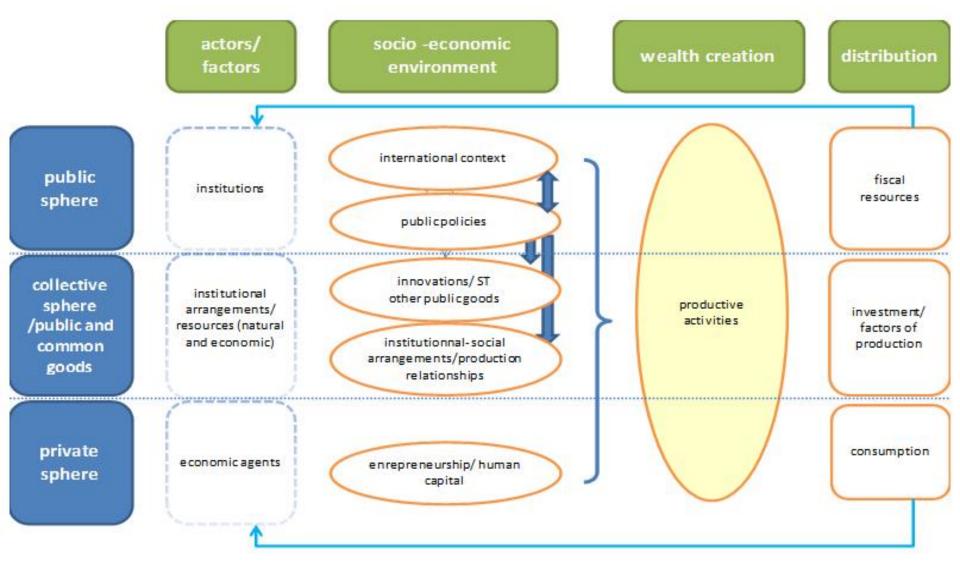
Potential for Argentina – NEPAD cooperation: Creating profitable investment opportunities and mutual learning in transformative sectors:

- Agriculture/Food Security and Rural Development, including agribusiness and agro-processing, fisheries, livestock;
- Governance in Mining and Extractive Industries;
- Renewable energy and Biofuels;
- Mobilisation of the private sector to engage in South-South cooperation activities;
- Capacity Development, vocational training and knowledge exchanges in priority sectors, including on public-private partnerships.





## A theory of change for Africa



#### Muchas gracias!

Asante Sana Thank you

Merci de votre attention

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