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Trade Facilitation-The New Accelerators



Presentation Outline

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2012 Summit Decision

DECISION ON BOOSTING INTRA-AFRICAN TRADE AND FAST TRACKING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONTINENTAL FREE TRADE AREA

- Endorsed the Framework, Road Map and Architecture for the Establishment of a CFTA by an indicative date of 2017
- Endorsed the Action Plan for Boosting Intra Africa Trade
- Member States supported by the Commission and the RECs to drive the process of boosting intra-African trade and the CFTA negotiations through
- The implementation of activities contained in the Action Plan at the national, regional and continental levels.

Agenda 2063



- A development framework rooted in Pan Africanism & African Renaissance aimed at the realization of the 21st century as the African Century
 - Based on seven Aspirations: Inclusive growth & sustainable devt, integration, good governance, peaceful & secure, strong cultural identity, people driven, strong and influential global player

Priority Areas for the First 10 Year Plan

- Program for Boosting Intra African Trade & Establishment of the CFTA;
- Program for Infrastructural Development of Africa (PIDA)
 - ✓ High Speed Train Network Fast;
 - ✓ Implementation of the Grand Inga Dam Project
 - ✓ Implementation of the Yamoussoukro Decision on the Unification of African Air Space
- Accelerated Industrial Development of Africa
- The African Passport and free movement of people
- The creation of an African Economic Platform.

What can Trade facilitation Deliver for Africa?



Trade facilitation measures, if well implemented would;

- Benefit consumers who have to contend with higher prices induced by red tape in imports administration,
- Assist in enhancing Africa's competitiveness due to reduction in compliance costs, service charges, business opportunity costs, and costs associated with uncertainty and corruption.
- Enable firms to increase their share of continental trade
- Benefit govts by bringing about more efficient control methods, better resource allocation, and improved trade compliance leading to higher revenues,
- Improve the investment climate
- Assist in promotion of protection of security, society and human health



Conclusion

- Importance of Political Support
- Collaboration with dvpt partners
- Industrialise and promote value chains



Thank You

