

Acronyms

AAU	Association of African Universities
ACP	African, Caribbean and Pacific (group of countries)
ADF	African Development Forum
AEC	African Economic Community
ASARECA	Association for Strengthening Agricultural Research in Eastern and Central Africa
ASEAN	Association of South-East Asian Nations
ASECNA	Agency for the Safety of Air Navigation in Africa and Madagascar
ASYCUDA	Automated System of Customs Data
AU	African Union
BLNS	Botswana, Lesotho, Namibia and Swaziland
BOT	Build, Operate, Transfer
CAMES	Conseil Africain et Malgache de l'Enseignement Supérieur
CBI	Cross-Border Initiative
CCPL	Common Competition Policy and Law
CEMAC	Central African Economic and Monetary Community
CEN-SAD	Community of Sahel-Saharan States
CEPGL	Economic Community of the Great Lakes Countries
CFA	Communauté Financière Africaine
CILSS	Comité permanent Inter-Etats de la Lutte Contre la Sécheresse au Sahel
CIMMYT	International Maize and Wheat Improvement Centre
COMESA	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
DAMA	Demand-Activated Manufacturing Architecture
EABC	East African Business Council
EADB	East African Development Bank
ECA	Economic Commission for Africa
ECCAS	Economic Community of Central African States
ECOMOG	Economic Community of West African States Monitoring Group
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
ECOWATCH	ECOWAS Early Warning Observatory
EIA	Energy Information Administration
ERA	Economic Report on Africa
ERM	Exchange Rate Mechanism
ETI	Ecobank Transnational Incorporated

EU	European Union
FDI	Foreign Direct Investment
FROM	Finance, Rehabilitate, Operate and Maintain
FTA	Free Trade Area
G-8	Group of Eight (most industrialized countries)
GATS	General Agreement on Trade in Services
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
GCE	General Certificate of Education
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GNP	Gross National Product
ICRISAT	International Crops Research Institute for Semi-Arid Tropics
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IDEP	Institut Africain de Développement Economique et de Planification
IDS	East African Industrial Development Strategy
IGAD	Inter-Governmental Authority on Development
IGOs	Inter-governmental Organizations
IICBA	International Institute for Capacity-Building in Africa
ILO	International Labour Organization
IOC	Indian Ocean Commission
KBO	Kagera Basin Organization
LCBC	Lake Chad Basin Commission
MERCOSUR	Common Market of the South
MFN	Most-Favoured Nation
MINEDAF	Conference of African Ministers of Education
MMSD	Mining, Minerals and Sustainable Development
MRU	Mano River Union
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NBA	Niger River Basin Authority
NBI	Nile Basin Initiative
NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development
NGOs	Non-governmental Organizations
NICI	National Information and Communications Infrastructures
OAG	Official Airline Guide
OAU	Organization of African Unity
OBC	Okavango River Basin Commission
OMVG	Organisation pour la Mise en Valeur du Fleuve Gambie
OMVS	Organisation pour la Mise en Valeur du Fleuve Sénégal
PANAFTTEL	Pan African Telecommunication Network
PANAFTIS	Pan African Trade Information System
PANFACT	Pan African Factual Database Management
PANGIS	Pan-African Network for a Geological Information System

PICTA	Partnership in Information and Communication Technology in Africa
PPP	Private-Public Sector Partnerships
PRIDE	Programme Régional Intégré de Développement des Echanges
PSDS	Private Sector Development Strategy
PTA	Preferential Trade Area of Eastern and Southern African States
RASCOM	Regional African Satellite Communication
RBOs	River/Lake Basin Organizations
RECs	Regional Economic Communities
RIFF	Regional Integration Facilitation Forum
SACCAR	Southern African Centre for Cooperation in Agricultural Research and Training
SACU	Southern African Customs Union
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SADCC	Southern African Development Coordination Conference
SAPP	Southern African Power Pool
SARPCCO	Southern Africa Police Chiefs' Cooperation Organization
SAT	Small Aperture Terminal
SATCC	Southern Africa Transport and Communications Commission
SAEN	Southern Africa Entrepreneurs Network
STD	Sexually Transmitted Diseases
TAG	Tariff in Africa Group
TRAC	Trans African Concessions
TRAINS	Trade Analysis and Information System
TRANSMED	Trans-Mediterranean Gas Pipeline
UDEAC	Central African Economic and Customs Union
UEMOA	West African Economic and Monetary Union
UMA	Arab Maghreb Union
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNECA	United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
UNHCR	United Nations Higher Commission for Refugees
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Fund
UNIDO	United Nations Industrial Development Organization
UNISA	University of South Africa
UNTACDA	United Nations Transport and Communications Decade for Africa
URTNA	Union of National Radio and TV Corporations
WAGP	West African Gas Pipeline
WAMA	West African Monetary Agency
WAMI	West African Monetary Institute
WEAN	West African Entrepreneurs Network

WEC	World Energy Council
WHO	World Health Organization
WTO	World Trade Organization
ZRA	Zambezi River Authority