

# Recommendations of the 11th Session of the Regional Coordination Mechanism.

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## **Recommendations:**

- a) Cluster reports should focus more on tangible results generated from activities collectively initiated through joint programming and implemented jointly by members;
- b) Clusters should focus on a very limited number of projects or deliverables, based on the comparative advantages of the clusters and sub-clusters, especially in the context of the TYCBP-AU;
- c) Inter-cluster coordination should be improved, especially on crosscutting issues such as climate change and gender;
- d) The UN system should make efforts to mobilize resources to implement joint projects in support of the AU and its NEPAD Programme;
- e) RCM-Africa clusters should play an active and substantive role in regional preparations towards Rio+20.
- F) The key drivers of sustainable development should be identified and addressed in a holistic manner, reflecting Africa's legitimate needs and priorities for sustainable development.

## **Preparation for RIO+20**

- a) good practices in sustainable development should be documented and disseminated to enable their adaptation and replication by African countries;
- b) bottom up approaches so as to enable the conference to reflect on and address the real operational challenges and opportunities for sustainable development;
- c) include adequate articulation of strategies to sustainable development in response to identified needs, which was a major thrust of previous summits on sustainable development, in line with the dedicated UNCSD Secretariat plans to assist countries worldwide in their national preparations.

## **Review Report on the Ten-Year Capacity Building Programme for the AU: Where we are and way forward**

### **Recommendations:**

- a) To develop a well defined capacity building programme of work based on AUC's strategic plan and priorities to guide implementation of the TYCBPAU.
- b) To align TYCBP-AU with the Capacity Development Strategic Framework (CDSF) of AU;
- c) To involve RECs in developing the capacity building programme, noting that RECs are the building blocks of the AU;
- d) To mobilise resources to support the effective participation of RECs in the RCM process;
- e) To utilise the definition of "capacity building" provided in the document in developing the scope of the capacity building work programme to be formulated by the clusters;

### **Adoption of the report on review of TYCBP and additional recommendations**

- a) RCM-Africa clusters and sub-clusters should, in planning their capacity building activities, take into consideration the programming and planning cycles of AUC and RECs;
- b) The UN system should strengthen the RCM-Africa Secretariat with financial and human resources to enable it function effectively;
- c) The AUC should become the chair or co-chair of all clusters;**
- d) Capacity building should be the theme of the next session of RCM-Africa.**