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Having spent valuable time researching and re-evaluating its role, NEPAD is now even newer, and back with a wider mandate and a clearer framework.

The former NEPAD organization was largely seen as unwieldy and difficult to manage, but the NEPAD Coordinating and Planning Agency, formed in February, aims to rectify this by bringing all NEPAD member countries under its supervision.



Dr Ibrahim Assane Mayaki, CEO of NEPAD Agency

As Grace Ongile, the NEPAD Kenya Secretariat's chief executive explains, NEPAD's newly defined powers will allow its directives to be more coordinated and inclusive and the NEPAD member countries to be more accountable and proactive. "Now, It

NEPAD is under the AU umbrella, working in harmony and not apart from the AU; it will be discussed at every AU meeting. It will be able to

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ECA organizes training on implementation and appraisal of NEPAD projects

The Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) will organize a two-day training workshop on 9-10 June in Addis Ababa to enhance the capacity of participants in implementing and appraising programmes and projects developed in the context of the AU/NEPAD Africa Action Plan (AAP) for 2010-2015.

The training will create awareness and promote good knowledge and understanding of NEPAD's objec-

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strengthen its knowledge, information, sharing and research...which means it will work more effectively with the which means, it will work more effectively with the international community, and therefore attract more funding,” Ongile said.

She added: “If we don’t get the governance right, everything we talk about will go down the drain. Given our mandate of poverty alleviation, marginalization of the continent, enhancing women’s voices, this transformation needs to be put into a context of frank speaking, and remain relevant to the country, the region and Africa.

NEPAD lists the following as priority sectors: Agriculture & Food Security, Infrastructure (Water & Sanitation, Transport, Energy, ICT), Human Resources Development (Education and Health), Science and Technology, Trade and Market, Access Environment and Climate Change, and Culture and Tourism, Governance and Capacity Development and Gender Development.

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tives, priority areas and the evolving structure of the new NEPAD Agency. The Economic Development and NEPAD Division (EDND) at ECA says the training would also promote understanding of the strategic objectives of the AAP for 2010-2015 as well as develop the implementing capacities of critical African institutions based on the Capacity Development Strategic Framework (CDSF) which the 14th AU Assembly endorsed as a tool to address Africa’s capacity challenges.

The NEPAD Support Section at EDND says the training should yield a training manual on how to implement and appraise concrete projects and programmes in support of NEPAD.

About twenty people, including officials of the NEPAD Agency will benefit from the training.

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