

Evaluation Report of Agenda 2063 First Ten Year Implementation Plan

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Africa in the Context of Agenda 2063

- The advent of Agenda 2063 provided a substantial impetus for the Continent to strengthen its **resolve and galvanize** around a common development framework with a **unified ambition**.
- The FTYIP of Agenda 2063 was **widely welcomed** by AU Member States, perceived **as the development blueprint** that will enable collective and sustainable growth and transformation
- The **first ten-year plan** “laid the **foundation** for the trajectories of the seven aspirations with a long-term focus of convergence towards the **realization** of the **African Union Vision** by 2063”.



Introduction to Agenda 2063 Special Project



The Executive Council through Decision EX.CL/Dec.1164(XL) called upon the AUC and the AUDA-NEPAD to lead the process of evaluation of Agenda 2063 FTYIP and the development of the STYIP – also called the Special Project.

The **overall objective** of the Project was to assess Africa's performance and progress along the 20 goals and targets of the FTYIP and to formulate the STYIP.

The Special Project has two components:

- ❖ The Evaluation of the First Ten Year Implementation Plan (FTYIP); and
- ❖ Development of the Second Ten-Year Implementation Plan (STYIP).

The final draft of the evaluation report of the FTYIP and the STYIP were presented at the Just Concluded Assembly of the Heads of State and Government in February 2024.

Multiple Data Collection Methods

National consultations
(38 reports received)

Focus Group Discussions

Popular Survey

Key Informants Interviews

Specialized studies

Desk Reviews

Data collection and analysis of FTYIP evaluation was framed around the following criteria: **Relevance; Coherence; Efficiency; Effectiveness; and Sustainability.**

Summary of Findings on Relevance

Measurement Parameter	Rating
Alignment with national development plans	Very Strong
Integration into national development plans	Strong
Targeting and responsiveness to specific contexts	Weak
Level of awareness among policy makers and political leaders	Strong
Level of awareness among technical persons and general public	Weak
Ownership at policy and political levels	Very Strong
Ownership among technical persons and general public	Weak
Added value of FTYIP to implementation-support of national priorities	Strong
Perception of relevance of Agenda 2063	Very Strong
Overall Rating of Relevance	Strong

Key Findings on Relevance

- The **relevance** of the FTYIP is **rated high** given a **strong convergence** of development priorities of Agenda 2063 FTYIP and the development frameworks and plans of Member States.
- However, it was widely acknowledged that the Plan did not explicitly include aspects of **resilience** against internal and external shocks.
- **Conclusion: Agenda 2063 is as relevant today as it was in 2013**
- The FTYIP was also found to be compatible with other development frameworks such as SDGs, Hi5s and plans of RECs. In this regard, the FTYIP was **rated highly on coherency**.

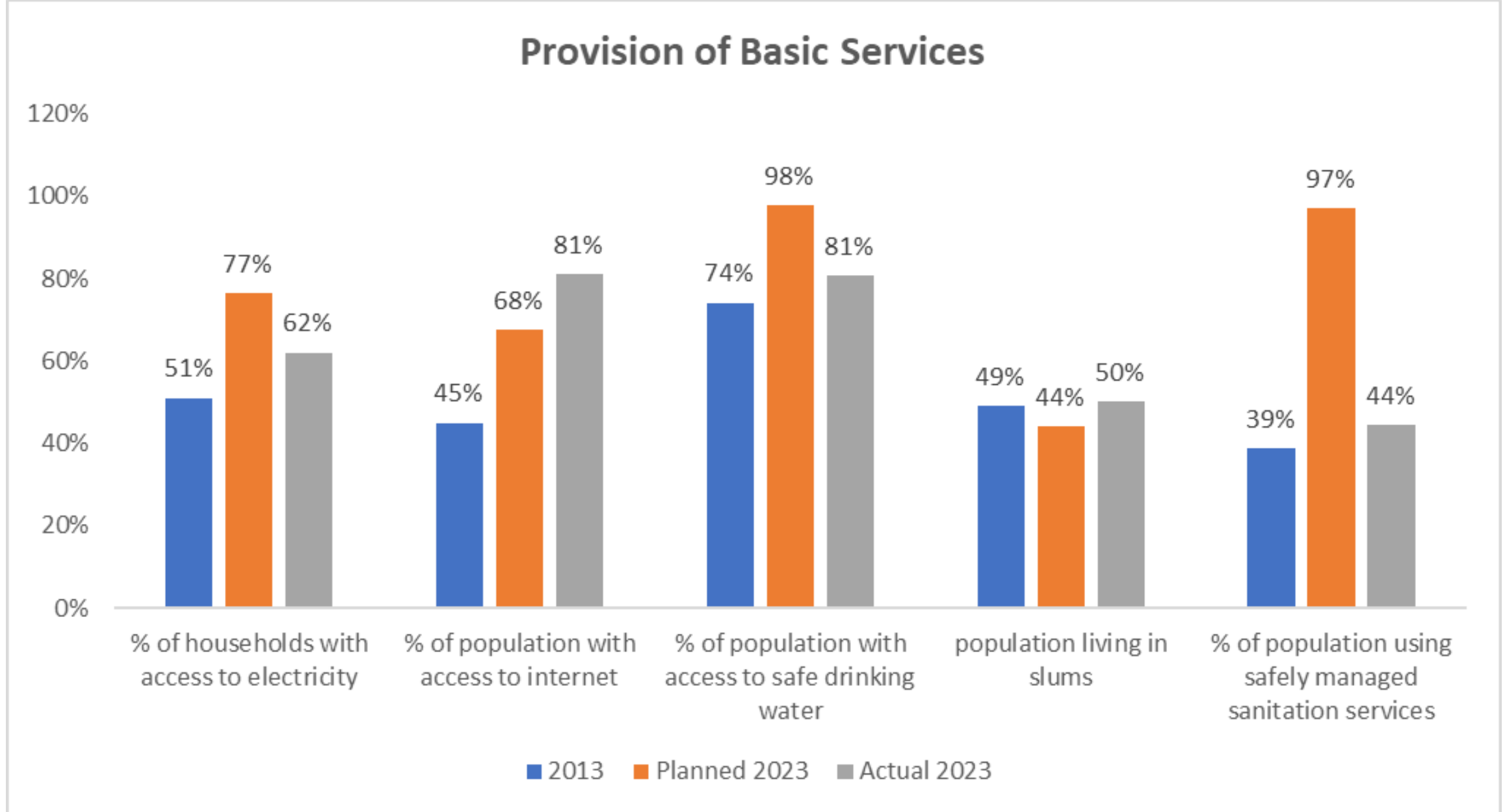
Key Findings on Efficiency

- FTYIP was **not costed**, posing a challenge to assess the resource gap.
- An analysis of the Union's budget (2014 - 2021) reveals that **financial resources were inadequate** to realize the expected results
- Furthermore, the analysis shows **skewed allocation of resources**; eg 76% the Union's budget was allocated to the Aspiration on Peace and Security - compared to 24% allocated to other Aspirations.
- Even for Peace and Security, considering the needs of the continent, there is need for additional funding.
- There will be need for **strengthening the resource mobilization framework** for Agenda 2063 TYIPs.

Summary of Findings on Efficiency

Measurement Parameter	Rating
Costing financial resources required (determining resource gap)	Very Weak
Adequacy of financial resources mobilised for Agenda 2063 implementation	Very Weak
Distribution of financial resources among goals and priority areas	Very Weak
Level of “Value for Money” realised <i>(anecdotal evidence)</i>	Weak
Overall Rating of Efficiency	Very Weak

Example of Findings on Effectiveness



Overall Findings on Effectiveness

Performance Category	No. of Indicators in A63 FTYIP
Outstanding (>100%)	10
Good (51% - 100%)	30
Poor (0% – 50%)	16
Negative (below 0%)	13
Overall Performance Rating (>50%)	58%

Key Findings on Sustainability

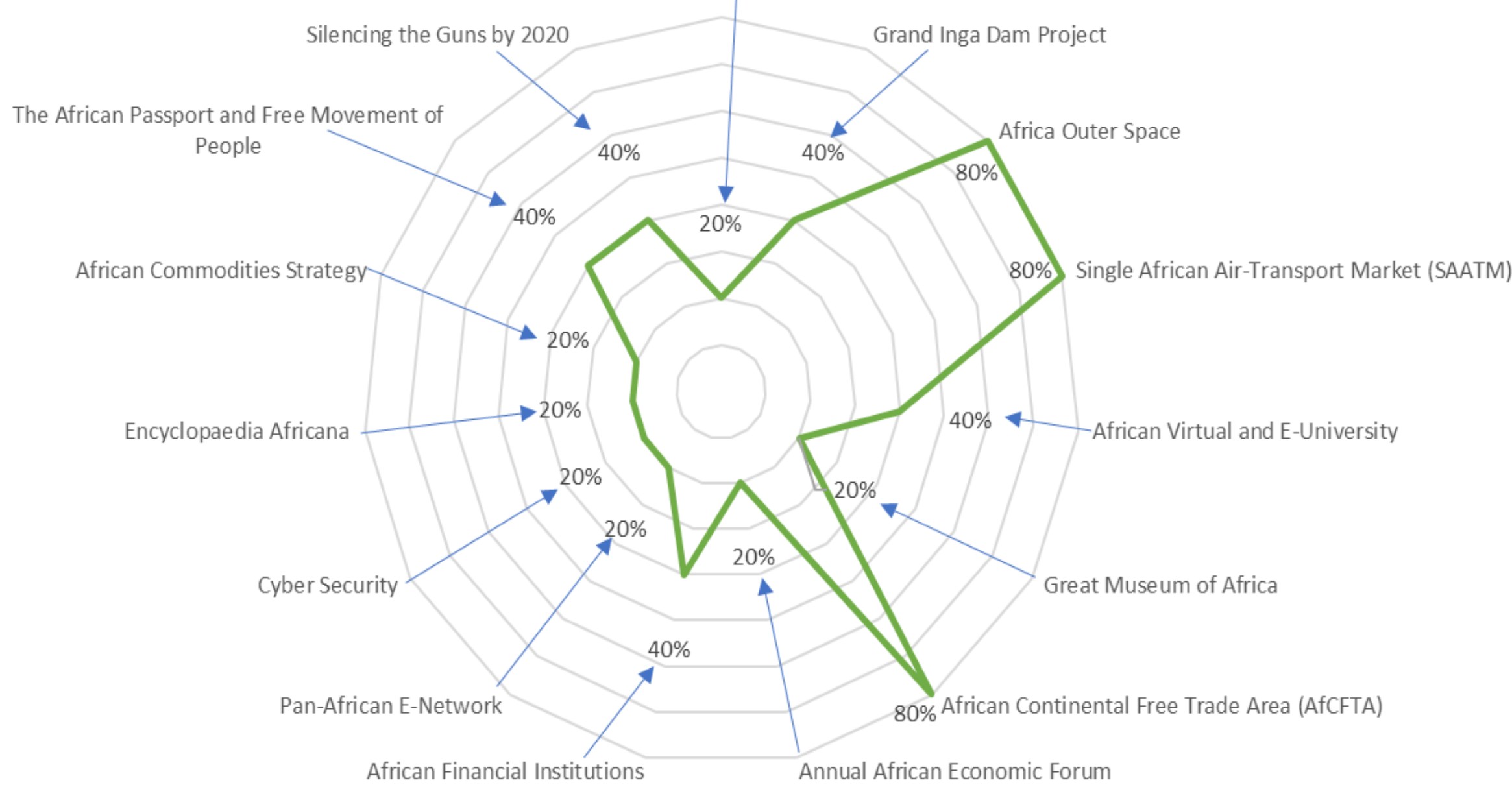
- ❖ Some **political structures** – such as the Ambassadorial and Ministerial committees have been **instrumental** in the implementation of Agenda 2063.
- ❖ The **technical support** provided by AU Institutions and Strategic Partners to facilitate domestication and execution of the FTYIP was **inadequate** and not well synchronized with planning processes of Member States.
- ❖ The **coordination** mechanisms among AU institutions were **weak** hence jeopardizing coherence and realization of results of Agenda 2063.
- ❖ Africa's **capacity** to sustainably **mobilize** sufficient domestic **resources** for the implementation of Agenda 2063 was **inadequate**. There is a strong urge from Member States to set up a fund to provide catalytic funding for Agenda 2063.

Key Findings on Flagship Projects

- ❖ **Notable progress** was registered in the implementation of some projects, such as the AfCFTA, and SAATM. These projects have greater impact on integration are **interconnected** and re-enforce each other and therefore their implementation should be **prioritized concurrently**.
- ❖ **Limited progress** was registered on some flagships such as financial institutions, Annual Africa Economic Platform.
- ❖ The factors that contributed to the low implementation of these projects include low levels of **ratifications**, low **funding for capital intensive projects** and inadequate skills and **capacities**.
- ❖ All flagships are relevant, but **implementation** should be **re-prioritized** based, amongst others, on **progress** of implementation, **potential** for massive **job creation**, and ability to **phase the implementation**, and thereby guide categorization into short-medium-long term.

Performance on Implementation of Flagship Projects

Integrated High Speed Train Network





Conclusion on the findings

Agenda 2063 FTYIP is

- ❖ Very Relevant
- ❖ Moderately Coherent
- ❖ Weak in Efficiency
- ❖ Moderately Effective
- ❖ Weak in sustainability





Lessons Learnt



Leadership— There is need to clearly translate political declarations into actionable interventions for successful implementation of the STYIP

Communication and Awareness-Effective implementation of Agenda 2063 calls for active participation of a critical mass of stakeholders. In this regard, continuous communication and advocacy among various multi-stakeholder groups, buttressed on robust communication strategies and budgets, is necessary to raise public awareness of Agenda 2063 right from community and sub-national levels to continental and global platforms.

Costing and Financing-Agenda 2063 Ten-Year Implementation Plans should be costed as a solid basis for resource mobilisation and enhancing allocative efficiency of financial resources embodied in the Plan

Reporting and Knowledge Management- Periodic reporting, such as biennial reporting cycles, on the implementation progress of Agenda 2063 provides a strong basis for collective assessment among AU Member States, strengthens mutual accountability and peer-to-peer learning

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