Strengthening integration, implementation and review of the Sustainable development Agenda: Role of Regional and Sub-Regional bodies

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1. Background and introduction

Mandates given by WSSD, Rio+20, UNGA: to promote SD at regional and sub-regional levels

- UN-RCs/ECA to promote balanced integration of 3 dimensions of SD / Organize annual meetings

Institutional arrangements adopted to fulfil mandates

- Africa-RIMs regularly organized; ECA’s CSD providing platforms for it
- Africa-RIM upgraded to ARFSD to deliberate on Africa’s input to the HLPF
- ECA to join efforts with AUC and AfDB and leverage on respective comparative advantages (ECA: Multidisciplinary expertise for SD; AUC: leader in defining continental dev agenda; AfDB: financing power)

Other potential partners: NPCA, RECs, UNDP-RBA, OSAA, UNEP-ROA
Implications of Integration, Implementation and Review of SD at Regional and Sub-Regional levels

Integrating the 3 dimensions of SD requires:
- An appropriate Platform for discussion on integrating policies, actors..
- Adequate Participation: all major groups across 3 dimensions of SD
- Lead institutions to convene meetings, process findings and agreements
- Coordination among participants from Addis, NY, countries

Implementation requires:
- Specific means for countries, sub-regional and regional Bodies to be discussed later;
- ECA and others to provide support in implementation

Review requires:
- An M&E regional framework: there is need to agree on a precise scheme
- Available, Reliable and comparable data
- Clear links between: M&E processes at Regional and those at lower levels
Past experiences - involvement of Regional and sub-regional bodies in promoting IADGs

- the MDGs at regional and sub-regional levels
  - **Review**: A regional MDGs report (ECA, AUC, ADB & UNDP-RBA)
  - **Platform**: EGM to discuss & amend content, share experience
  - Validation of report at AU summit
  - Reporting by goal and by specific themes
- **Integration**: Policy recommendation on Inter-sectoral synergies
- **Implementation**: Policy recommendations in Planning

- SD at regional and sub-regional levels
  - A SD report for Africa produced by ECA
  - Review by goals and by theme
- **Ps**: The new SD agenda will be much more broader and more complex...
Some options for consideration at the regional and sub-regional for the new SD agenda

- **Review: building on some existing review frameworks**
  - ARFSD: Deliberate on issues to be submitted to the HLPF
  - APRM: Reviews progress on commitments at national levels
  - RCM: Manages and reviews support of UN System to Regional agendas such as NEPAD and Agenda 2063
  - MRDE: Reviews of compliance to terms of global partnership

- **Reporting modalities:** an Africa SDGs reports could produced, based on National and sub-regional reports

- **Modalities of assessing progress in SD:** assessment of progress could be envisaged by Goals or by themes or by dimensions of the SD
Some options for consideration (2)

- Implementation and Resource requirements for ECA (human and financial)
  - Internal readjustments
  - UNGA could authorize creation of Additional posts
  - UNGA: Specific Regular budget for SD purposes;
  - dvt partners could Allocate Specific XB resources

- Integration
  - ARFSD could be the platform for discussion on opportunities, challenges, experiences in integrating the 3 dimensions of SD.
Key Questions for deliberation (1)

- how could Africa ensure effective Integration, Implementation and Review of SD?
- Role of the ARFSD as a platform/framework?
- How can the ARFSD be strengthened to ensure these functions?

What are the best modalities for an efficient convening of ARFSD:

(1) Who are the lead conveners (ECA and other pan-African institutions?)
(2) Which periodicity?
(3) Type of participation (major groups?)
(4) how to coordinate among officials participation from Addis, NY and capital cities;
(5) do review by Goals or thematic reviews or by dimensions of SD?

For thematic reviews, How to build on APRM, MRDE, RCM, etc...
Key Questions for deliberation (2)

- For the reporting on progress what institutional arrangements could be retained in Africa: Type of reports?
- What links between national, sub-rgl and Regional reports?
- How to ensure coherence with Implementation and M&E/Review arrangements of Agenda 2063?
- How to Foster linkages/synergies among National, sub-regional, Regional and Global levels for the integration, implementation and review?
- What disposals to foster accountability of all at all levels?
- What concrete actions could be envisaged to provide ECA with additional resources to efficiently support SD in Africa
Global Partnership for Development
Outline

- The imperative of means of implementation and global partnership for achieving SD in Africa
- The means of implementations required by stakeholders
- Key questions for discussion
The imperative of means of implementation and global partnership for achieving SD in Africa

Achieving SD in Africa requires the mobilization of adequate means of implementation from both Domestically and externally. Agenda 2063 and CAP-Post 2015 call for:

- Enhanced productive capacities through industrialization and Structural transformation
- Strong social and human capital development
- Environmental sustainability for prosperity of all generations

There are great expectations from the International Financing for Development of July in Addis

To enhance commitments and predictability of development Financing
The means of implementations required by type of stakeholders

- **Increased DRM**: by Africa through improved tax administrations, governance, etc
- **Curbed IFFs**: To promoted by African countries and global partners
- **Predictable ODA**: Donors to fulfil their commitments
- **Remittances**: Advanced countries to reduce costs of transfers
- **Technology** is critical for a shift towards more SD: International Community to promote technology centres, banks, in Africa
- **Capacity development** at national and other levels is key including in the areas of resource efficient. Should be provided by International community / ECA...

- **Fairer global trade; Regional integration; Quality FDI** (not only in extractive sectors) should be fostered from Africa, international Community, Private sector, etc
Key Questions for deliberation

How can African stakeholders and entities enhance global partnership for achieving SD in Africa?

What Role for ARFSD, Governments, other major groups...in that?

Type of capacity development strategies can be envisaged?

What global, regional and national accountability mechanisms could improve compliance from each type of stakeholders responsible of means of implementation?

What other specific means of implementation could be envisaged in Africa?

The crucial role / contribution of the private sector: How to optimize?
Thank You