

2017 PIDA WEEK

10 - 14 December 2017

Swakopmund, Namibia

CONCEPT NOTE



PIDA
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“Regional Infrastructure Development for
Job Creation and Economic Transformation”



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BACKGROUND

The AU Heads of State and Government adopted the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA) in January 2012, as the reference programme for regional and continental infrastructure development in Africa (Assembly/AU/Decl.2 (XVIII)). PIDA builds on the master plans and priorities of Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and African Member States that concentrate on both hard and soft cross-border infrastructure to boost cooperation and trade within the Continent. PIDA thus aims to facilitate economic and social integration on the African continent through the creation of continental and regional markets, enable countries to meet forecast demand for infrastructure services and boost competitiveness by: (1) Increasing efficiencies; (2) Accelerating economic growth; (3) Facilitating integration in the world economy; (4) Improving living standards; and (5) Unleashing intra-African trade.

Covering four (4) main sectors of transport, energy, Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and trans-boundary water, PIDA programmes are divided into three main implementation phases : (1) short term (2012-2020), medium-term (2020-2030) and long-term (2030-2040). Since 2012, the African Union Commission (AUC) in collaboration with its implementing partners, the NEPAD Planning and Coordinating Agency (NPCA), the African Development Bank (AfDB), the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the RECs have been concentrating on ensuring the delivery of the short-term priorities and objectives of PIDA referred to as the PIDA Priority Action Plan (PIDA PAP) comprising 51 programmes and projects.

The implementing partners of PIDA have recorded significant achievements and progress in various aspects from establishment of institutional and operational structures to facilitation of project preparation and implementation. Some of these achievements include:

- Decomposition of the 51 PIDA PAP Programmes into 443 individual projects fiches in order to provide track implementation progress and facilitate discussions with investors.
- Operationalization of the Institutional Architecture for Infrastructure Development in Africa (IAIDA) Structures including the establishment of the Council for Infrastructure Development (CID) and the Infrastructure Advisory Group (IAG).
- Implementation of the PIDA Capacity Building programme funded by the AfDB providing experts/consultants to the AUC, NPCA and RECs to support and strengthen the institutions' capacities in (1) monitoring, evaluation and reporting; (2) Information, communication and marketing; (3) Project preparation support; and (4) Institutional and organizational development, amongst others.
- Creation of the Continental Business Network (CBN) acting as the highest level platform for private sector involvement in PIDA projects.
- Establishment of the NEPAD Infrastructure Projects Preparation Funds (IPPF) to advance projects to bankability through funding for project preparation
- Organization of the Dakar Financing Summit where 16 projects were prioritised for engagement between private investors and public project developers;
- Creation of the PIDA System Delivery Mechanism (PIDA SDM) to provide project owners with technical advisory services for early stage project preparation.
- Development and deployment of the PIDA Communication Strategy including the establishment of a PIDA journalists' network
- The establishment of the Presidential Infrastructure Champions Initiative (PICI) for high-level support and advocacy for selected PIDA projects from participating Heads of State
- Implementation of the Virtual PIDA Information Centre (vPIC) as a one-stop portal for PIDA information and to support monitoring of progress in PIDA implementation.

In addition to the progress recorded by the implementing partners, several projects in the PIDA programme have already been completed while many others are currently being implemented on the ground at the national and regional levels.

Despite the significant progress made in the implementation of the PIDA PAP, there is still an urgent need to continue engaging with all relevant stakeholders to ensure the accelerated delivery of regional and continental infrastructure development in Africa. To this end, the PIDA implementing partners organised the First and Second PIDA Week in November 2015 and November 2016, respectively, with the objective of providing a platform to create synergies and mobilise support in the implementation of infrastructure projects.

OBJECTIVES

PIDA Week 2017 intends to build on the relative achievements and the momentum created in the previous two events to continue to engage stakeholders on the effective delivery of infrastructure on the continent. It provides a platform for stakeholders to engage in accelerating and synergising their efforts to: (1) accelerate projects preparation and implementation; (2) mobilise adequate financial and technical resources for projects; (3) increase private sector participation in PIDA implementation; and (4) mobilise Member States to integrate PIDA projects into their national development plans.

PIDA Week 2017 will be hosted by the Government of Namibia and the Southern African Development Community (SADC).

PIDA WEEK IN BRIEF

Held under the theme “Regional Infrastructure Development for Job Creation and Economic Transformation”, PIDA Week 2017 will over a three-day period have parallel and plenary sessions discussing and reaffirming the significant role of regional and continental infrastructure in facilitating trade and economic transformation in Africa.

PIDA Week will kick off with a media breakfast and parallel sessions ahead of the official opening and plenary sessions. In addition to the 2017 PIDA Progress Report, the highlight will be a special focus on six major PIDA Corridor projects:

- Central Corridor (Dar es Salaam to Chalinze Toll Road) –EAC;
- Kinshasa-Brazzaville Road and Railway Bridge - ECCAS;
- Ethiopia-Sudan Power Interconnector – EAC;
- Zambia-Tanzania-Kenya Power Interconnection – SADC;
- Batoka Hydropower Plant– SADC
- Abidjan-Lagos Corridor – ECOWAS

During plenary sessions the main stakeholders of each of the projects including the Member States, financiers and implementing agencies will discuss the projects in detail highlighting:

- Project feasibility studies;
- Project preparation for funding;
- Financing and capacity requirements;
- Resource mobilisation strategies;
- Project implementation status;
- Challenges and opportunities;

OUTCOME

From the project presentations, stakeholders and participants will emerge from PIDA Week with better understanding of the status of selected projects, challenges faced in their implementation, as well as the way forward to address these challenges. Participants will also gain insights in the packaging of projects, the creation of an enabling environment for transboundary infrastructure projects, project preparation and how to move projects to bankability. The thematic session on job creation and trade facilitation will highlight practical examples and recommendations on how to leverage PIDA projects for economic transformation, including the MoveAfrica initiative and the PIDA Job Creation Toolkit.

Key recommendations and outcomes from PIDA Week will be presented to PIDA governance structures and disseminated through various channels associated with the implementing partners, including the African Union Summit.

PARTICIPANTS

PIDA Week will be attended by more than 200 participants including AUC, NPCA, AfDB, and UNECA, member states, development partners, financial institutions, academia, private sector, civil society and other stakeholders.

PROJECT SITE VISIT

To give participants a practical feel for the impact of PIDA, an informational site visit will be organised along the Walvis Bay Corridor, including the port of Walvis Bay.

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PROGRAMME



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10 DECEMBER: STATUTORY MEETINGS

16:00 – 18:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIDA Steering Committee Meeting (closed)
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11 DECEMBER (MORNING): PRE-EVENTS & PARALLEL SESSIONS

Moderator – Daniel Makokera

07:30 – 09:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PIDA & CBN Media Breakfast Session
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09:00 – 14:00 *Registration*

10:00 – 11:30	Opening Session
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11:30 – 12:00	PIDA Implementation Report (2017)
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12:00 – 13:30	High-Level Roundtable on Job Creation, Trade Facilitation and Economic Transformation through Regional Infrastructure
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13:30 – 14:30 *Lunch*

14:30 – 16:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 1 Regional Infrastructure Project Finance Roundtable on Accelerating project preparation</p>
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14:30 – 16:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 2 Africa Climate Resilient Infrastructure Facility (Afri-Res)</p>
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14:30 – 16:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 3 Monitoring and Tracking Infrastructure Development – PIDA VPIC and other initiatives</p>
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14:30 – 16:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 4 Unlocking Investment Opportunities through the PIDA Model Law</p>
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16:00 – 16:30 *Coffee Break*

16:30 – 18:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 5 ICT and the Digital Economy</p>
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16:30 – 18:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 6 Infrastructure Solutions for Assuring Water Security and Reliability</p>
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16:30 – 18:00	<p>PARALLEL SESSION 7 Agenda 2063 Flagship Projects: (i) Aviation Infrastructure & Single Africa Sky and (ii) Inga III Hydropower Dam</p>
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16:30 – 18:00	PARALLEL SESSION 8 Good Practice for PIDA Corridor Implementation
19:00 – 20:30 Dinner	

12 DECEMBER: PLENARY SESSION – SELECTED PIDA PROJECTS	
Central Corridor (Dar es Salaam to Chalinze Toll Road)	
08:30 – 09:00	Presentation on the Project Status
09:00 – 10:00	Discussion and Summary of Way Forward
Kinshasa Brazzaville Rail and Road Bridge	
10:00 – 10:30	Presentation on the Project Status
10:30 – 11:30	Discussion and Summary of Way Forward
11:30 – 12:00 Coffee Break	
Ethiopia-Sudan Interconnector	
12:00 – 12:30	Presentation on the Project Status
12:30 – 13:30	Discussion and Summary of Way Forward
13:30 – 14:30 Lunch	
Zambia Tanzania Kenya Power Interconnector	
14:30 – 15:00	Presentation on the Project Status
15:00 – 16:00	Discussion and Summary of Way Forward
16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break	
Batoka Gorge Hydropower Project	
16:30 – 17:00	Presentation on the Project Status
17:00 – 18:00	Discussion and Summary of Way Forward

19:00 – 20:30 Cocktail

13 DECEMBER: PLENARY – CLOSING SESSION

09:00 – 11:00

Reports of the Project Sessions, Breakout Sessions and Plenary Discussions

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 13:00

Closing Session

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

13 DECEMBER (AFTERNOON): STATUTORY & PARTNER MEETINGS

14:00 – 18:00

PIDA Job Creation Toolkit Working Group Meeting

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 – 18:30

Infrastructure Advisory Group (IAG) Meeting (closed)

19:00

dotAfrica Cocktail

14 DECEMBER: SITE-VISIT

Site: Walvis Bay Port Extension and Railway Project, Namibia

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PIDA & CBN MEDIA BREAKFAST SESSION

11 December 2017, 07:30 - 09:30am

Setting the agenda for shaping Africa's infrastructure story

What is PIDA Week all about?

With every pothole, crammed airports, or crumbling bridge, Africans know too well the importance of good, well-functioning infrastructure. Safe and accessible water supplies, reliable energy, good transport networks and communications technology are all vital to a continent's development agenda.

Five years ago, Africa witnessed the birth of a new initiative, the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA) as the blueprint for infrastructure transformation in the continent for the period 2012-2040.

Infrastructure development on the continent will be critical to achieving economic transformation of Africans, especially the youth. In fact, realising Africa Union's Agenda 2063 will not be possible without increased investment in Africa's infrastructure, a critical engine for continued economic growth and development.

The 2017 PIDA Week, scheduled from 10 -14 December 2017 in Swakopmund will present an opportunity for all who are concerned about the development of infrastructure in Africa to renew their commitment to PIDA and to embark on new efforts to bring them closer to reality.

The Breakfast Event at the Dome, jointly organized by the African Union Commission, the NEPAD Agency and the African Development Bank and GIZ, in collaboration with the Namibian Government, is aimed at helping media understand why PIDA Week is important, get familiar with the terminology and issues around the event, and introduce experts in the infrastructure area.

The Briefing will take a big-picture look at the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA) and the Continental Business Network (CBN), its history, what to expect through the 2017 PIDA Week, as well as its continental impact after the meeting has taken place.

The event is organised with the following objectives:

- 1) To relate to the media fraternity the narrative on how PIDA remain the crucial keys to unlocking Africa's Infrastructure potential.
- 2) To showcase the achievements of the PIDA to date.
- 3) To strengthen PIDA and CBN partnership with the media and to acknowledge the advocacy role of media as central for promoting PIDA and CBN.
- 4) To sharpen media reportage and increase coverage on Africa's infrastructure.

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AGENDA	
07:30 - 08:00 am	Registration
08:00 - 08:15 am	Opening Video on PIDA and Welcoming Remarks Daniel Makokera, a well-known face across Africa. Journalist, television anchor, producer and conference presenter for over 20 years. Session Moderator
08:15 - 08:35 am	Panelists' Remarks Government of Namibia: Mr Willem Goeiemann, Permanent Secretary NEPAD Agency: Dr Ibrahim Mayaki, CEO SADC: NEPAD Business Foundation: Mr Peter J Varndel, Programme Manager Infrastructure Division African Union Commission: H.E. Dr. Amani-Abou Zeid AfDB: Mr. Shem Simuyemba, AfDB Coordinator for Multi-Donor Special Fund DBSA: Mr Mohan Vivekanandan, Group Executive: Client Coverage GIZ: ECA: Adeyinka Adeyemi
08:40 - 09:15 am	Discussions – Q&A Session
09:15 - 09:30 am	Moderator Summary and Closing