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ECONOMIC COMMUNITY OF CENTRAL AFRICAN STATES (ECCAS)

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1. NATURAL RESOURCES GOVERNANCE AND FOOD SECURITY

Sustainable Land and Water Management (SLWM)

A **regional-level M&E platform for Sustainable Land and Water Management (SLWM)** was established, with **technical and financial (100 000 USD) support provided by the NEPAD Agency**.

A regional M&E system on SLWM was designed, and equipped with requisite skills for managing and maintaining the system.

Representatives from ECCAS were amongst the 16 representatives trained on the communication of Sustainable Land Water Management issues and facilitation of information flow between TerrAfrica Secretariat, Member States and the RECs.

Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)

ECCAS signed the Regional CAADP Compact on 10 July 2013. A Regional Investment Plan is in place and an independent technical review was undertaken for the Regional Agriculture Investment Plan.

ECCAS has 11 Member States – Angola, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Democratic Republic of Congo, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Republic of the Congo, São Tomé and Príncipe – which all have signed the CAADP Compact and are at various stages in the CAADP process.

A performance-based Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed in the interest of achieving regional and continental integration. The purpose of the MoU is to establish a framework for cooperation and collaboration that is based on work and fund flow that is targeted for the implementation of high impact projects.

Various stakeholders ranging from government and the private sector through to farmers particularly women, youth and small-holder farmers, have been reached through targeted communication campaigns which has resulted in ECCAS being seen as the implementing partner for agricultural activities in member states and the region, giving it high visibility and credibility. The CAADP process

now being formally recognised as the framework for agricultural growth.

Gender Climate Change Agriculture Support

ECCAS was involved in the consultations that informed the design of the project; and will continue to work closely with NEPAD in up-scaling the project to more African countries.

2. REGIONAL INTEGRATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRADE

Africa Power Vision

Hydro – Batoka Gorge Hydropower Project

Project Status: The detailed feasibility studies, market study, techno-economic study, as well as the environmental and social impact assessments were completed. The expected duration for construction is 6 years.

Hydro – Inga III Basse Chute (BC) Hydropower Project

Project Status Finalisation of the supplemental feasibility studies. Finalisation of the financing and key project agreements e.g. concession contract, engineering procurement construction (EPC) contract, PPAs, insurance, operation and maintenance (O&M) agreement. Establishment of the implementing agent (ADEPI) to be addressed. The project will then be tendered out and an investor selected to complete development and bring the project into the construction phase. Three offtake agreements will be required. It is forecasted that power will be generated by 2020.

Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative (PICI)

Project: Dakar-Ndjamena-Djibouti Road/Rail Project

Project Status: The Government of Senegal has prioritized the Dakar-Bamako Rail component of the project as the first phase. This phase entails the construction of a new railway network with standard gauge running through Dakar-Tambacounda-Kedougou in Senegal, Keniebu-Bamako-Bougouni-Sikasso in Mali and Bobo Dioulasso in Burkina Faso. While the West African Economic and Monetary Union has committed to finance all technical studies, the Government of Senegal is negotiating with several potential funding partners, including companies from China to fund project implementation. Project implementation is expected to commence in 2018.

Project: Unblocking Political Bottlenecks for ICT Broadband and optic fibre Projects Linking Neighbouring States

The project involves the use of political gravitas and goodwill to unblock and facilitate political bottlenecks affecting the implementation of ICT broadband and optic fibre projects on the continent. The optic project connections were completed in 2013, and subsequently five EAC countries are now interconnected and linked to the sub-marine cables at Mombasa and Dar-es-Salaam. H.E. President Kagame is now providing leadership on the ICT broadband connections.

Kinshasa-Brazzaville Bridge Road/Rail Project

Project Status: In December 2013 the Maloukou Trechot site was selected as the best location for the rail/road bridge crossing. The first phase of the study has been completed.

Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

The NEPAD Agency has **deployed technical experts at 6 RECs** (SADC, EAC, ECCAS, ECOWAS, COMESA, and IGAD) and at the Central Corridor Transit Trade Facilitation Agency (CCTTFA), in addition to two experts in ICT and Energy deployed at the Agency. This, in line with the objective of seeking to build capacity at the RECs-level to accelerate PIDA – Priority Action Plan (PAP). Relatedly, implementation arrangements of PIDA - PAP have been finalised with 6 RECs.

3. INDUSTRIALISATION, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

African Medicines Regulatory Harmonisation (AMRH)

- A framework document for collaboration between the Economic Community for Central African States (ECCAS), OCEAC, WHO-AFRO and NEPAD Agency on implementation of the Central African regional harmonization programme was agreed and put in force.

4. SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUTH

Agriculture Technical Vocational Education and Training (ATVET)

ECCAS was sensitised on the implementation of Agricultural Education and Skills Improvement Framework (AESIF). Twenty countries represented ECCAS and ECOWAS at the Yamoussoukro workshop held on 21-24 July 2015.

Nursing

Phase 2 of the NEPAD Project on Nursing and Midwifery Education in Africa: Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS)

Cameroon, Gabon and the Republic of Congo have been identified in partnership with ECCAS to participate in the second phase of the project which will commence in 2016. A total of 20 students per country will be included in the Project.

