

## NEPAD Agency Interventions and Cumulative Results

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# **CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC**

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## **1. NATURAL RESOURCES GOVERNANCE AND FOOD SECURITY**

### Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP)

CAADP Compact: The Central African Republic signed the CAADP Compact on 15 April 2011.

**National Agriculture Investment Plan:** Technical experts were deployed to Cape Verde from 14 – 21 May 2012 to undertake independent technical reviews of its National Agricultural Investment Plan (NAIP). Cape Verde is currently implementing its NAIP through the support of NEPAD

### 2. **REGIONAL INTEGRATION, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRADE**

#### Presidential Infrastructure Champion Initiative (PICI)

**Unblocking Political Bottlenecks for ICT Broadband and optic fibre Projects** Linking Neighbouring States: The project uses political gravitas and goodwill to unblock and facilitate political bottlenecks affecting the implementation of ICT broadband and optic fibre projects on the continent.

### Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa (PIDA)

- **TAH programme:** This is phase I of the continental connectivity programme that focuses on completion and standardisation of the TAH missing links by 2030.
- **Single African Sky** phase 1 (design and initial implementation): Single African Sky is a continental programme that will create a high-level, satellite-based air navigation system for the African continent.
- Yamoussoukro Decision implementation: Purposed at accelerating the Yamoussoukro Decision implementation by identifying countries that are ready to fully implement it, and discussing and agreeing with both their governments and airlines to launch the voluntary club on a full membership basis.
- Pointe Noire, Brazzaville/ Kinshasa, Bangui, N'djamena Multimodal Corridor: This multimodal programme would resuscitate he river transport in the Congo-Ubangi River Basin and modernize road transport along the corridor.
- **Douala-Bangui Douala-Ndjamena Corridor:** This programme would modernize the highest priority multimodal ARTIN corridor in Central Africa and facilitate travel for people and goods

across the borders between Cameroon, Chad and the Central African Republic.

- Central African Inter-Capital Connectivity: This programme is specially designed for Central Africa, where one of the key issues for regional integration is the missing links in several intercapital connectors
- Central Africa Air Transport: This programme aims at increasing the air transport service levels as well as airport improvement in Central Africa, which are currently limited by the lack of a regional air hub
- **Central Africa Hub Port and Rail Programme:** This programme aims at responding to the future capacity problems in Central African ports. This programme has two components: (a) a regional hub port and rail linkage master plan and (b) port expansion
- **ICT Enabling Environment**: This programme seeks to improve the environment for the private sectors to invest in high-speed broadband infrastructure.
- ICT Terrestrial for Connectivity: This programme has two main components namely: a) secure each country connection by at least two broadband infrastructure; and b) ensure the access to submarine cable to all landlocked countries.
- Internet Exchange Point (IXP) programme: The aim of this programme is to provide Africa with adequate internet node exchange to maximise internal traffic.

## Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL)

At the beginning of 2014, 37 out of the 42 African countries had completed a rapid assessment / gap analysis. The next step for countries is to develop a SE4LL Action Agenda and Investment Prospectus. To support this process, the SE4ALL Africa Hub partners led the development of Africa Guidelines for SE4ALL national Action Agendas. The Africa Guidelines lay out principles and process for developing Action Agendas and put forward a balanced approach of centralized and decentralized solutions to achieve universal access to energy services.

#### Progress in Central African Republic:

The Central African Republic has joined SE4All initiative.

## 3. INDUSTRIALISATION, SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION

### African Medicines Regulatory Harmonisation (AMRH)

A critical AU Model Law aimed at harmonizing medical products regulatory systems in Africa was endorsed by African Heads of State and Government at the January 2016 AU Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The AU Model Law will contribute towards accelerate the regulation of safe, quality and affordable medical products and technologies in CAR.

Central Africa has embarked on a collaborative framework that will stipulate the activities, roles and responsibilities for implementing an MRH programme in the region.

A Steering Committee for implementation of the Medicines Regulatory Harmonization (MRH) Project in the Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa (CEMAC) was launched in November 2016 to provide oversight in the implementation of joint activities in Cameroon, Congo (Brazzaville), Gabon, Equatorial Guinea, the Central African Republic (CAR) and Chad. This will serve as an entry point for implementation of MRH Project in the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS).

## Biosciences eastern and central Africa Network (BecANet)

The BecA-ILRI Hub is empowering African scientists and institutions to exploit the opportunities presented by advances in technology for sustainable agricultural development in on the continent.

## 4 SKILLS AND EMPLOYMENT FOR YOUTH

## **Capacity Development**

Advocacy support and strengthening of Negotiation Capacities of African countries on Post-2015 Development Agenda through the Common African Position (CAP). Subsequently, Africa's development priorities were mirrored in the new SDGs.