The African Water agenda: Opportunities for Synergies in efforts to achieve the SDGs on Hunger, Water and Climate Action
Africa’s Development Agenda 2063

- Strategic Framework for the socio-economic transformation of Africa over the next 50 years.
- 7 Aspirations for 2063 among which Aspiration 1: “A prosperous Africa, based on inclusive growth and sustainable development”
- The *Africa Water Vision 2025* and *CAADP*: are 2 of the Continental Frameworks of the first 10yr Implementation Plan for Agenda 2063
- The *Sharm el-Sheikh & Malabo Decl. s*: aimed at respectively implementing the AWV2025 and CAADP to achieve Water and Sanitation Goals; and Agricultural Transformation in Africa
Synergies btn Agenda 2063 & SDGs

- Priority Areas of the 10yr IP contribute to SDGs 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 12 & 13
Delivery Mechanisms

- The *Specialised Technical Committee on Agriculture, Rural Dev’t, Water and Env’t (STC on ARDWE)*: a multi-sectoral and synergetic coordination mechanism

- Institutionalised evidence-based decision support systems for targeted interventions to achieve Water and Sanitation Goals; and Agricultural Transformation in Africa
The STC on ARDWE

• In Feb. 2009, the AU Assembly reconfigured the then existing STCs into 14 Committees incl. the STC on ARDWE

• It streamlines the affairs of the following ministerial conferences:
  – the African Ministers’ Council on Water (AMCOW)
  – the African Ministerial Conference on the Environment (AMCEN)
  – African Ministerial Conference on Meteorology (AMCOMET)
  – the Conference of African Ministers of Agriculture (CAMA)
The STC on ARDWE

The inaugural Conference of ARDWE in 2015 resolved:

1. That the STC comprise of Ministers responsible for affairs in Agric; Rural Dev’t; Water and Sanitation; Env’t & Natural Resources; Disaster Risk Reduction; Fauna & Flora

2. To establish the following Ministerial Sectoral Committees:
   - Agriculture, Rural Development, Livestock and Fisheries
   - Environment and Natural Resources
   - Meteorology, Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction
   - Water and Sanitation
   - Fauna and Flora
The STC on ARDWE

3. Establish a Bureau of the following members for a term of 2yrs:

- Chair: Congo (Flora and Fauna)
- 1st Vice Chair: Senegal (Water and Sanitation)
- 2nd Vice Chair: Swaziland (Metrology and Disaster Risk Reduction)
- 3rd Vice Chair: Egypt (Environment)
- Rapporteur: Sudan (Agriculture)
**Other STCs**

Same synergetic approach informed reconfiguration of other STCs as tabulated

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Evidence-based Decision Support Systems
Institutionalizing M&E Systems to trigger action at grassroots level to deliver on the commitments of the Sharm el-Sheikh and Malabo Declarations and, in turn, the related SDGs
Countries individual Report Preparation.

1. Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

   - Eastern Africa
     - Technica: RTO
     - Political: RPO
     - IGAD & EAC
     - Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

   - Central Africa
     - Technica: RTO
     - Political: RPO
     - ECCAS
     - Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

   - Southern Africa
     - Technica: RTO
     - Political: RPO
     - SADC, COMESA
     - Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

   - Northern Africa
     - Technica: RTO
     - Political: RPO
     - UMA
     - Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

   - Western Africa
     - Technica: RTO
     - Political: RPO
     - ECOWAS
     - Involve all RECs in the sub-region.

2. Technical alignment and political endorsement of countries reports at sub-regional levels: Under a sub-regional workshops organized by RECs.


5. Continental Report endorsement by Ministers, to allow submission to the AU Summit.

6. AUC/ NPCA, AMCOW Continetal Report endorsement by Ministers, to allow submission to the AU Summit.

7. Continental Report to the AU Summit through the AU validation mechanism.

8. Official Submission to the AUC.

9. AUC/ NPCA, AMCOW, CAADP Team

10. Task Force

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The African Water and Sanitation Sector M&E System
Based on reports from 42 countries, about 263 Million Africans do not have access to basic drinking water services.
What it is....

- A web-based monitoring framework for reporting progress in the water and sanitation sector at national level
- Indicator-based:
  - 43 indicators tracking political commitments,
  - 35 indicators for background water facts
- All water-related SDG indicators included
- Displays indicator results at map, thematic or country view. Shows progress against target

42 out of 54 countries submitted data for the 2016 sector report
Primary Goals

• Establish a standardised M&E System at all levels to report to the AU Assembly on progress towards actualising the Africa Water Vision 2025; and SDG 6.

• Develop mechanisms for vertical linkages with global level SDG monitoring initiatives
  – Use the data from the AMCW system in the production of other reports such as UN Global Analysis and Assessment of Drinking (GLAAS), Sanitation and Water for All (SWA)
Specific Objectives...

Obj-1: Enhance and Integrate Monitoring Systems; and Knowledge and Information Management Capacities at national, basin and sub-regional levels:

▪ Improve WRM data and info. availability at all levels

▪ Enhance linkages and compatibility of Regional (RLBOs, RECs) and Continental Monitoring processes

▪ Establish a robust knowledge & info. mgmt system
Specific Objectives...

**Obj-2: Customisation of Indicators to Track Sector Investments and Financing:**

- Capacity dev’t to track sector financing; and impact of investments
- Broaden scope of reporting to empirically inform AU Assembly and national level decisions and interventions relating to sector financing and resources mobilisation
Specific Objectives...

Obj-3: a) Support Capacity Building at National and Sub-Regional levels; and,
b) Establish an African Water and Sanitation Monitoring Trust Fund:

- Promulgate new technologies for monitoring and reporting
- Establish operational linkages with key global and new monitoring initiatives
- Develop a sustainable funding mechanism (monitoring and reporting Trust Fund in Africa?)
The Africa Agriculture Transformation M&E System
The Malabo M&E

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7 Performances Themes

23 Performances Categories

43 Performances Indicators

All aligned to SDG2 targets
Monitoring for Environment and Security in Africa (MESA)
What MESA is....

- Satellite-based earth observation data to generate information for policy and decision-making and development planning

- Thematic actions:
  1. Water resources management
  2. Climate services for disaster risk reduction
  3. Land degradation mitigation, natural habitat conservation, and forest monitoring
  4. Water resources management for cropland and rangeland management for livestock production
  5. Coastal and marine resources management
  6. Management of environmental resources for agricultural production
Primary Goals

To support African decision makers and planners in designing and implementing policy and development plans for sustainable development.
Specific Objectives...

- Develop improved and timely information services in such areas as agriculture, water, forestry, marine and fisheries resources, climate monitoring and assessment; and drought and flood monitoring.
- Cooperation and inter-regional exchange of expertise and information services
- Strengthen political and policy development frameworks
- Capacity enhancement
MESA Info. useful for monitoring SDGs...
Opportunities & synergies
Annual/Biennial self-assessments and reporting by Member States ensuring legitimacy of information; ownership of resulting initiatives; and inspiring sustained progress towards goals.
Generation of appropriate multi-sectoral information to identify strategic interventions; guide optimisation of resources; and streamline implementation...
Institutionalising and animating accountability platforms: ... leadership; commitment to action; value for money; service delivery
Continental policy initiatives and interventions across Agric; Rural Dev’t; Water and Sanitation; Env’t & Natural Resources; Disaster Risk Reduction; Fauna & Flora – a key step to assure Water, Food and Environmental Security
Prosperity, Peace and improved livelihoods

Medium-Long term

Jobs, resilience, raised aspirations and expectations of ordinary people in Africa but also trust and stability – sustainable solutions to mass displacement
Thank you
Merci
Obrigado
شكرا
Asante Sana