



Joint AU-EU Strategy

Transport cooperation for an interconnected Africa

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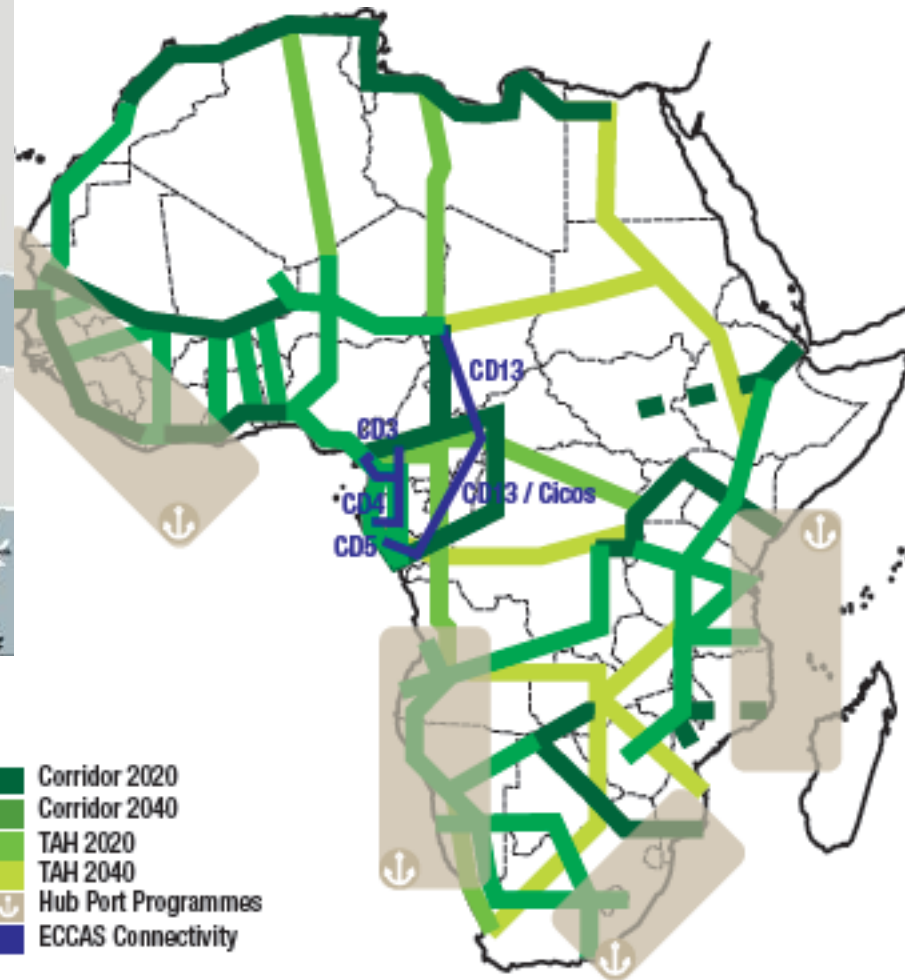
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African Union – European Union strategic framework

- **2007 Lisbon Summit: JAES (Joint Africa-EU Strategy)**
- **2009 EU Communication: Connecting African and Europe**
- **2014 Brussels Summit: JAES Roadmap (2014-2017)**
 - ⇒ **5 implementing priority areas, including “Sustainable and inclusive development and growth + continental integration”**
 - ⇒ **Transport cooperation priorities developed by the RGI through Sector Strategy Papers**
 - ⇒ **Coherence with PIDA, EU Development Policy, UN framework**
 - ⇒ **Strategic investments to be coupled with regulatory reforms**
 - ⇒ **Cross-sector coordination through the RGI**



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- Corridor 2020
- Corridor 2040
- TAH 2020
- TAH 2040
- Hub Port Programmes
- ECCAS Connectivity

“Transport” JAES Roadmap (2014-2017)

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- ***...reduction of transport costs and boosting of intra-African trade by bringing regional transport corridors to an adequate level of service, which is sustainable, safe and reliable***
- ***more attention to the economic, social and environmental dimensions of transport***
- ***deployment of satellite navigation infrastructure***
- ***multimodal interconnections that unite our two continents***



Transport Sector Strategy Paper
(RGI meeting 2015)



"Transport" JAES Roadmap 2014-2017

2015 developments

- **2015 Annual College-to-College meeting (Brussels)**
*First meeting EC Pres. Juncker and Transport Commissioner Bulc
December 2015: EU Aviation Strategy*
- **Agenda 2030 – Sustainable Development Goals**
Goal 9: Build Resilient Infrastructure (...)
- **December 2015 COP21 – Global issues**



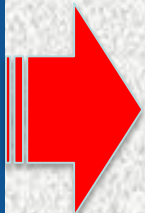
***Fine-tune transport cooperation priorities
(RGI meeting 2016 + Sector Strategy Paper)***

Commissioners Bulc / Ibrahim AU-EC College Meeting (April 2015)

- *Achieve sustainable and resilient transport infrastructure and services in the African continent*
- *How? = Deeper cooperation in specific transport issues of common interest (where concrete actions are on-going):*
 - i) infrastructure;*
 - ii) security (maritime/aviation);*
 - iii) aviation safety.*
- *Also, enhance joint EU-AU efforts to shape international consensus and cooperation on global challenges*

Sustainable and Resilient Transport Infrastructure

- ***Rise of global threats (Civil Aviation / Maritime Transport)***
- ***International aviation community engaged in strengthening measures for internationally structured prevention, resilience and response***
- ***Aviation safety still suffers from considerable weaknesses in most African countries.***
- ***European Commission assistance focused on implementation of safety standards as well as helping the safety authorities reach the required oversight capacity (in the context of the Safety List)***



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Sustainable and Resilient Transport Infrastructure

- ***Support to the PIDA (Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa), regional long-term strategic planning (2040) to address infrastructure deficit***
- ***PIDA 'smart' corridors = connectivity among major cities, hub ports, railway routes, improving regional and continental trade***
- ***The future Southern Mediterranean Transport Network (EU neighbourhood policy) = link between Europe and Africa***
- ***Importance of Road Safety (EU policy experience)***
- ***Urban mobility / smart cities***

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Shaping transport cooperation

Overall Sector Objective:

Transport Price Reduction and **safe, secure, sustainable and efficient transport system**

Specific Sector Objectives:

- (i) Sustainability of primary national transport networks;
- (ii) Improvement of international corridors – connectivity;
- (iii) Promote and develop safe and secure conditions, notably in the air and maritime transport**
- (iv) Enhancement of rural access; and
- (v) Improvement of urban mobility and road safety.

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To promote and develop safe and secure conditions in the air and maritime transport

Actions envisaged:

- R5 Aviation Security and Facilitation legislation and regulations to be developed reviewed and effectively implemented;**
- R6 Risk and crisis management mechanisms to be developed and introduced.**

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Actions envisaged:

- R7 More comprehensive adoption of international aviation safety standards, requiring appropriate national legislation;**
- R8 Sustainable level of capacity of oversight authorities for all the air carriers under their responsibility.**

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Actions envisaged:

R9 Robust maritime security legislation and implementing regulations in accordance with pertaining internationally agreed standards

R10 Clear implementing roles and trained/professional staff ensuring continuity and consistency.

Towards enhanced transport cooperation

February – April 2016 - RGI meeting: Conclusions / Sector Strategy Paper
- JAF: Coordination of all sector strategies
- C2C meeting of April 2016 (Addis Ababa)



mid-2016 - Within the new Sector Strategy Paper start defining concrete examples of AU-EU transport cooperation
- Involvement of EU development policy + African countries, regional bodies, authorities, etc.



by end 2016 Specific High-Level / political event in the field of transport

Thank you for your attention!

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