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3. Development: Integration of the African Union

“[We]...support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.”

G20 Rio de Janeiro Leaders' Declaration

Assessment

	No Compliance	Partial Compliance	Full Compliance
Argentina		0	
Australia		0	
Brazil			+1
Canada		0	
China			+1
France		0	
Germany			+1
India		0	
Indonesia	-1		
Italy			+1
Japan			+1
Korea		0	
Mexico	-1		
Russia		0	
Saudi Arabia	-1		
South Africa			+1
Türkiye		0	
United Kingdom			+1
United States	-1		
African Union			+1
European Union			+1
Average		+0.24 (62%)	

Background

The G20 has consistently reinforced its role as an inclusive and effective forum that fosters improved dialogue and cooperation to address global challenges. The inclusion of the African Union in the G20 in 2023 marks a significant step toward amplifying Africa's voice in international decision-making. Ensuring Africa's active participation in global governance is important for tackling shared challenges and promoting equitable development. The integration of the African Union must align with its Agenda 2063, which serves as a strategic framework for achieving inclusive and sustainable socio-economic development over a 50-year period.²⁴⁷⁰

At the 2009 Pittsburgh Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their commitment towards investing in official development assistance in pursuit the Millenium Development Goals, particularly in the region of sub-Saharan Africa.²⁴⁷¹

²⁴⁷⁰ Second Continental Report on The Implementation of Agenda 2063, African Union (Addis Ababa) 10 February 2022. Access Date: 5 March 2025. <https://au.int/en/documents/20220210/second-continental-report-implementation-agenda-2063>

²⁴⁷¹ G20 Leaders Statement: The Pittsburgh Summit, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 25 September 2009. Access Date: 3 March 2025. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2009/2009communique0925.html>

At the 2010 Toronto Summit, G20 leaders acknowledged the developmental needs of Africa and ongoing challenges in meeting the Millennium Development Goals.²⁴⁷² They committed to expanding the resources and capabilities of the African Development Bank in supporting Africa's long-term development.

At the 2010 Seoul Summit, G20 leaders committed to supporting regional integration efforts in Africa and to efforts to establish a free trade area.²⁴⁷³ In an effort to better include the global community in consultative efforts, the leaders reached a consensus on summit invitations to non-members, agreeing to issue no more than five invitations, at least two of which will be to African states.

At the 2011 Cannes Summit, G20 leaders declared that it would support efforts to “improve capacities and facilitate the mobilization of resources” for infrastructure and development projects in the developing world, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa.²⁴⁷⁴ G20 leaders also encouraged multilateral development banks to create digital regional information marketplace platforms to improve access to investment information and address challenges in development financing.

At the 2013 St Petersburg Summit, G20 leaders committed to replenishing the African Development Fund.²⁴⁷⁵ Moreover, they welcomed progress made during the cycle on the assessment of Project Preparation Facilities for infrastructure in the region of Africa.

At the 2015 Antalya Summit, G20 leaders pledged to collaborate with African states, particularly in sub-Saharan Africa, along with other relevant parties, to promote regional integration, development, investment and capacity building.²⁴⁷⁶ Their efforts aimed to facilitate greater access to energy worldwide.

At the 2017 Hamburg Summit, G20 leaders committed to supporting African countries in joining the G20 Africa Partnership to promote sustainable and inclusive economic growth and development.²⁴⁷⁷ The G20 encouraged private sector investment to drive economic opportunities, job creation and development. Emphasizing equal partnership, the G20 welcomed African ownership and pledged to align efforts with the African Union's Agenda 2063 and the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa.

At the 2019 Osaka Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed support for the G20 Africa Partnership, including the Compact with Africa (CwA).²⁴⁷⁸ They committed to stronger bilateral engagement and enhanced roles for the World Bank Group, African Development Bank and International Monetary Fund in implementing the CwA, while also supporting Africa's industrialization and other initiatives that contribute to the realization of the African vision under the African Union's Agenda 2063.

At the 2020 Riyadh Summit, G20 leaders committed to exploring sustainable financing options for Africa's development and growth.²⁴⁷⁹ They reaffirmed their support for the G20 Initiative on Industrialization in Africa

²⁴⁷² The G20 Toronto Summit Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 27 June 2010. Access Date: 3 March 2025.

<http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2010/to-communiqué.html>

²⁴⁷³ Seoul Summit Document, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2010. Access Date: 5 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2010/g20seoul-doc.html>

²⁴⁷⁴ Cannes Summit Final Declaration - Building Our Common Future: Renewed Collective Action for the Benefit of All, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 4 November 2011. Access Date: 5 March 2025. <http://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2011/2011-cannes-declaration-111104-en.html>

²⁴⁷⁵ G20 Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 6 September 2013. Access Date: 5 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2013/2013-0906-declaration.html>

²⁴⁷⁶ G20 Leaders' Communiqué, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 16 November 2015. Access Date: 5 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2015/151116-communiqué.html>

²⁴⁷⁷ G20 Leaders' Declaration: Shaping an Interconnected World, G20 Research Group (Toronto) 8 July 2017. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2017/2017-G20-leaders-declaration.html>

²⁴⁷⁸ G20 Osaka Leaders' Declaration, G20 Research Group (Toronto) 29 June 2019. Access Date: 4 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2019/2019-g20-osaka-leaders-declaration.html>

²⁴⁷⁹ Leaders' Declaration, G20 Research Group (Toronto) 21 November 2020. Access Date: 4 March 2025.

<https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2020/2020-g20-leaders-declaration-1121.html>

and Least Developed Countries, G20 Africa Partnership and the Compact with Africa and other related initiatives.

At the 2021 Rome Summit, G20 leaders reaffirmed their support for African Countries, particularly through the G20 Initiative on Industrialization in Africa and Least Developed Countries, G20 Africa Partnership, the Compact with Africa and other related platforms.²⁴⁸⁰

At the 2023 New Delhi Summit, G20 leaders welcomed the African Union as a permanent member.²⁴⁸¹ They committed to strengthening ties with and supporting the African Union to realize its integration and aspirations under Agenda 2063. G20 leaders reaffirmed strong support to Africa, including through the G20 Compact with Africa and G20 Initiative on supporting industrialization in Africa and Least Developed Countries.

At the 2024 Rio de Janeiro Summit, G20 leaders welcomed the African Union as a full member of the G20.²⁴⁸² Moreover, they reiterated their commitment to aiding the African Union's pursuit Agenda 2063 and reaffirmed their support of initiatives like the G20 Compact with Africa and the G20 Initiative on supporting industrialization in Africa and Least Developed Countries.

Commitment Features

The target of this commitment is to support the trade and economic integration of the African Union under Agenda 2063. This commitment can be broken down into two components: 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue, such as by providing support for the free movement of people goods, and services in Africa. Actions undertaken by G20 members should be led by the AU.

Definitions and Concepts

“Support” is understood to mean the provision of aid and assistance to an initiative or entity.²⁴⁸³ In the context of the commitment, it refers to the provision of aid and assistance to the African Union's Agenda 2063 and its and trade and economic integration aspirations.

The “African Union” refers to the intergovernmental organization of the 55 African member states that comprise the African continent.²⁴⁸⁴

“Realize” is understood to mean “to bring into concrete existence.”²⁴⁸⁵ In the context of the commitment is refers to concrete outcomes in support of the African Union's aspirations.

“Trade” refers to the trade goals outlined in the African Union's Agenda 2063. These goals include but are not limited to the strengthening of Africa's global trade, the improvement of infrastructure across Africa to facilitate trade, and the promotion of intra-Africa trade.²⁴⁸⁶

²⁴⁸⁰ G20 Rome Leaders' Declaration, G20 Research Group (Toronto) 31 October 2021. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <https://www.g20.utoronto.ca/2021/211031-declaration.html>

²⁴⁸¹ G20 New Delhi Leaders' Declaration, G20 Research Group (Toronto) 9 September 2023. Access Date: 4 March 2025. <http://g20.utoronto.ca/2023/230909-declaration.html>

²⁴⁸² G20 Rio De Janeiro Leaders' Declaration, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 18 November 2024. Access Date: 5 March 2025. <https://g20.utoronto.ca/2024/241118-declaration.html>

²⁴⁸³ Compliance Coding Manual for International Commitments, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2020. Access Date: 8 March 2025. https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/compliance/Compliance_Coding_Manual_2020.pdf

²⁴⁸⁴ About the African Union, African Union (Addis Ababa) n.d. Access Date: 8 March 2025. <https://au.int/en/overview>

²⁴⁸⁵ Compliance Coding Manual for International Commitments, G20 Information Centre (Toronto) 12 November 2020. Access Date: 8 March 2025. https://www.g7.utoronto.ca/compliance/Compliance_Coding_Manual_2020.pdf

²⁴⁸⁶ Documents Agenda 2063: The Africa we want (Popular version), African Union (Addis Ababa) 10 June 2013. Access Date: 9 March 2025. https://au.int/Agenda2063/popular_version

“Economic integration” refers to the goals of continental unity, culminating in full economic integration across Africa.²⁴⁸⁷

“Agenda 2063” refers to the African Union’s strategic framework to deliver on its goal for inclusive and sustainable development over a 50-year period.²⁴⁸⁸ It has seven “aspirations.” The second is “an integrated continent” and is the focus of this commitment. Aspiration 2 of Agenda 2063, “An Integrated Continent Politically united and based on the ideals of Pan Africanism and the vision of African Renaissance” includes 4 economic and political subgoals: United Africa (Federal or Confederate); established and functional Continental Financial and Monetary Institutions; world class infrastructure criss-crossing Africa; and the entrenchment of democratic values, practices, universal principles of human rights, justice and the rule of law.

General Interpretive Guidelines

Full compliance, or a score of +1, will be given to a G20 member that takes strong economic and trade action in support of the two relevant components outlined in Agenda 2063 under Aspiration 2 of: 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue. Strong actions focusing on the integrative infrastructure include the development of high-speed railway networks, roads, shipping lines, sea and air transport and information and communication technology. Strong actions also include providing financial support for the free movement of people, goods and services in Africa.

Partial compliance, or a score of 0, will be assigned to a G20 member that takes strong action in one of the two components or moderate actions in both of components outlined in Agenda 2063 under Aspiration 2 of: 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent or 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue. Moderate actions in this area include verbal commitments to building infrastructure or the signing of economic integration declarations without implementation strategies.

Non-compliance, or a score of –1, will be assigned if a G20 member takes no action in the two relevant components outlined in Agenda 2063 under Aspiration 2 of: 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue. It will also be assigned to a G20 member that takes actions that are directly and explicitly antithetical to the commitment, such as halting investment into African infrastructure projects, implementing trade barriers, terminating trade agreements and suspending trade summits and conferences.

²⁴⁸⁷ Documents Agenda 2063: The Africa we want (Popular version), African Union (Addis Ababa) 10 June 2013. Access Date: 9 March 2025. https://au.int/Agenda2063/popular_version

²⁴⁸⁸ Agenda 2063: The Africa we want, African Union (Addis Ababa) n.d. Access Date: 9 March 2025 <https://au.int/en/agenda2063/overview>

Scoring Guidelines

-1	The G20 member 1) takes zero actions to a) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent or b) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue; or 2) takes actions directly and explicitly antithetical to the commitment.
0	The G20 member takes strong action in one of the following areas or moderate actions in both of the following areas: 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent or 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue
+1	The G20 member has taken strong action in both 1) having a world class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and 2) be a continent of seamless borders, and management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

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Lead Analyst: Sonia Siming Tao

Argentina: 0

Argentina has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 5 December 2024, Ambassador to South Africa Alberto D'Alotto reaffirmed Argentina's commitment to increase international trade with South Africa following a visit to San Miguel Global's factory in Port Elizabeth.²⁴⁸⁹

On 11 December 2024, Argentina announced the opening of new markets in Morocco, following coordinated efforts by the Foreign Ministry, the Secretariat of Agriculture and the National Agri-Food Health and Quality Service.²⁴⁹⁰ The Government of Argentina emphasized its continued commitment to expanding and diversifying Argentina's exports and global market reach.

On 21 February 2025, Undersecretary of Trade and Investment Promotion Pablo Sivori participated in a high-level Africa–Latin America dialogue co-hosted by the African Union at Expo 2025 Dubai.²⁴⁹¹ The AU-led event focused on enhancing South–South cooperation in agriculture, food security, climate adaptation and Agenda 2063, with Argentina contributing to discussions on shared frameworks for sustainable development, trade and climate change resilience.

Argentina has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union in realizing the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Through its participation in multilateral events, Argentina has taken moderate action to support integrative infrastructure, seamless borders, and cross-border dialogue. However, it has not taken strong action in both key components of the commitment.

Thus, Argentina receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Jasmin Simopoulos

²⁴⁸⁹ Ambassador Alberto D'Alotto's visit to the company San Miguel Global en Port Elizabeth, Embassy in South Africa (Pretoria) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 18 April 2025. <https://esafr.cancilleria.gob.ar/en/ambassador-alberto-dalottos-visit-company-san-miguel-global-en-port-elizabeth>

²⁴⁹⁰ Exportaciones: Argentina abre nuevos mercados en Marruecos, Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores, Comercio Internacional y Culto (Buenos Aires) 11 December 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 12 April 2025. <https://www.cancilleria.gob.ar/en/announcements/news/exports-argentina-opens-new-markets-morocco>

²⁴⁹¹ African Union and Latin American states deepen ties at Expo 2025 Dubai, African Union (Addis Ababa) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://au.int/fr/node/41514>

Australia: 0

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 12 December 2024, the Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACRIAR) hosted a workshop in Nairobi, Kenya under the Africa-Australia Partnership for Climate Responsive Agriculture (AAPCRA) to improve the capacity of Africa's agricultural systems.²⁴⁹² This initiative aims to support research on improving sustainable crop and livestock systems, bolstering agricultural partnerships.

On 28 March 2025, Australia Awards (the Australian Government's African assistance program) announced a course delivered by the Institute for International Trade (IIT) on "Enhancing Trade Facilitation in Africa."²⁴⁹³ The course brought participants from the public and private sector to develop tools and strategies to improve trade facilitation and regional integration in Africa. It addressed topics including digital trade systems, addressing non-tariff barriers, empowering women and youth and reducing trade barriers across borders.

On 16 July 2025, Assistant Minister for Immigration and the Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs, Matt Thistlethwaite, announced the Australian delegation's participation in the Commonwealth Trade Ministers' Meeting.²⁴⁹⁴ The meeting aimed to strengthen free trade across Commonwealth countries, including 21 African countries.

On 29 July 2025, Export Finance Australia issued a USD100 million loan to the Emerging Africa & Asia Infrastructure Fund.²⁴⁹⁵ These funds will support the development of sustainable infrastructure and renewable energy across Africa and the Asia-Pacific.

On 3 September 2025, representatives from Australia and the African Union (AU) participated in the 23rd Africa Down Under (ADU) conference in Perth to engage in discussions on African mining and energy opportunities.²⁴⁹⁶ The ADU serves as a forum for Africa-Australia business relations.

On 17 October 2025, the House of Representatives adopted a new inquiry into the expansion of Australia's trade and investment into Africa.²⁴⁹⁷ In particular, the inquiry highlighted enhancing engagement with the African Continental Free Trade Area recognizing the diversity of the African market.

Australia has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

²⁴⁹² Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research's post, Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (Canberra) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://www.facebook.com/ACIARAustralia/posts/an-aciar-workshop-in-nairobi-marked-the-beginning-of-capacity-development-activi/1122714252556997/>

²⁴⁹³ Driving Africa's Trade Transformation: Insights and Impact from the Australia Awards Africa Short Course, Australia Awards (Canberra) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://australiaawardsafrica.org/news/driving-africas-trade-transformation-insights-and-impact-from-the-australia-awards-africa-short-course/>

²⁴⁹⁴ Visit to Namibia and South Africa to advocate for Australia's trade interests, Assistant Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade Assistant Minister for Immigration (Canberra) 16 July 2025. Access Date: 8 August 2025. <https://ministers.dfat.gov.au/minister/matt-thistlethwaite/media-release/visit-namibia-and-south-africa-advocate-australias-trade-interests>

²⁴⁹⁵ Export Finance Australia invests in infrastructure fund to support development in the Indo-Pacific, Export Finance Australia (Canberra) 29 July 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://www.exportfinance.gov.au/newsroom/export-finance-australia-invests-in-major-infrastructure-fund-to-support-development-in-the-indo-pacific/>

²⁴⁹⁶ Africa Downunder 2025, African Mining (Germiston) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.africanmining.co.za/events/africa-downunder-2025/>; Preliminary Conference Programme, Africa Down Under (Perth) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.africadownunderconference.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2025/08/Programme-updated-on-22-8-at-4-29pm.pdf>

²⁴⁹⁷ New inquiry – strengthening Australia's trade and investment relations with Africa, Parliament of Australia (Canberra) 17 October 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. https://www.aph.gov.au/About_Parliament/House_of_Representatives/About_the_House_News/Media_Releases/Strengthening_Australias_trade_and_investment_relations_with_Africa

While Australia has invested funds towards developing Africa's world-class integrative infrastructure, it has taken no action to help relevant parties achieve seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Australia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Bryn Walton Williams

Brazil: +1

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 21 November 2024, Brazil, alongside China, South Africa and the African Union, jointly launched the Initiative on International Cooperation in Open Science.²⁴⁹⁸ The initiative aims to promote the free flow of science and technology resources among the Global South. With explicit calls to support joint scientific infrastructure and open-access research, it advances Agenda 2063 and the goal of establishing seamless cross-border cooperation and integrative infrastructure across Africa.

On 8 January 2025, Minister of Culture Margareth Menezes traveled to Benin to inaugurate a Brazil-Benin Cultural Cooperation Committee and attend the Festival of Ancestral Cultures in Ouidah.²⁴⁹⁹ During the visit, Brazil and Benin agreed to implement new collaborative projects in culture, infrastructure and sports, building on a 2024 agreement between President Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva and Benin President Patrice Talon.

On 27 January 2025, Brazil expanded its economic and technical cooperation with African nations by launching a business mission to West Africa through the Brazilian Trade and Investment Promotion Agency (ApexBrasil).²⁵⁰⁰ This mission brought over 40 Brazilian companies to Nigeria, Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire and Senegal to pursue investment opportunities and partnerships. ApexBrasil stated that President Lula's decision to re-engage with Africa has made the continent a priority and aims to reverse the trade decline in the previous decade. The West Africa mission was part of a broader strategy to strengthen Brazil's trade and investment ties and presence across Southern, West, East and North Africa through trade fairs and business delegations.

On 10 April 2025, the Brazil Africa Institute (IBRAF) partnered with the United Arab Emirates to train young African agricultural professionals in Angola and Guinea-Bissau through the Youth Technical Training Program (YTTP) with specialized expertise in the cocoa and cashew industries.²⁵⁰¹

On 20 May 2025, as part of the Brazil-Africa Dialogue on Food Security, Fight Against Hunger and Rural Development, President Lula highlighted the role he saw Brazil playing in Africa.²⁵⁰² Addressing the audience at the opening, President Lula pledged "solidarity, technological exchange and assistance for the development of local agriculture." This reaffirms Brazil's commitment to strengthening cooperation on the African continent.

²⁴⁹⁸ China launches open science initiative with Brazil, South Africa, African Union, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 12 May 2025.

https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202411/21/content_WS673f3388c6d0868f4e8ed4ab.html

²⁴⁹⁹ Lula delega a Margareth Menezes chefia de missão oficial na África, O Globo (Rio de Janeiro) 6 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://oglobo.globo.com/blogs/bela-megale/post/2025/01/lula-delega-a-margareth-menezes-chefia-de-missao-oficial-na-afrika.ghtml>

²⁵⁰⁰ Missão empresarial busca fortalecer comércio e cooperação entre Brasil e África, ApexBrasil (Brasília) 23 January 2025.

Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 29 March 2025.

<https://apexbrasil.com.br/br/pt/conteudo/noticias/missao-empresarial-busca-fortalecer-comercio-e-cooperacao-entre-.html>

²⁵⁰¹ United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Brazil Partner to Train Agricultural Professionals in Angola and Guinea-Bissau, African Business (Lausanne) 10 April 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://african.business/2025/04/apo-newsfeed/united-arab-emirates-uae-and-brazil-partner-to-train-agricultural-professionals-in-angola-and-guinea-bissau>

²⁵⁰² Lula: Brazil's debt with Africa can be paid with agricultural tech, Agencia Brasil (Brasília) 20 May 2025. Access Date: 30 May 2025. <https://agenciabrasil.ebc.com.br/en/politica/noticia/2025-05/lula-brazils-debt-africa-can-be-paid-agricultural-tech>

On 23 May 2025, President Lula and President of Angola held a meeting to strengthen political-diplomatic relations and cooperation in the African continent.²⁵⁰³ President Lula stated the importance of facilitating intra-continental trade to bridge the physical connectivity between African countries and support the economic development of the region.

On 29 May 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Agriculture and the Ministry of Agriculture concluded an agricultural export negotiation with Cameroon to strengthen the livestock industry and expand business to the rest of the African continent.²⁵⁰⁴

On 27 June 2025, Vice President Geraldo Alckmin and Vice President of Nigeria Kashim Shettima reaffirmed an agricultural mechanisation partnership worth USD1 billion at the Second Nigeria–Brazil Strategic Dialogue Mechanism in Abuja.²⁵⁰⁵ The “Green Imperative” project deploys Brazilian farming equipment, training and service centres across Nigeria.

On 4 November 2025, Brazilian government representatives participated in the Brazil African Forum 2025 where government officials, business leaders, academia and civil society representatives engage in discussions on initiatives to drive sustainable agriculture and food security.²⁵⁰⁶ Focus sectors of the forum include climate-smart agriculture, investment and financing, renewable energy, logistics and infrastructure and research and development. The initiative reflects Brazil’s commitment to expanding commercial initiatives spanning trade and agriculture, facilitating the management of cross-border resources.

Brazil has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Brazil has pursued substantial diplomacy with African Union members, from cultural missions to economic and technical cooperation. These actions constitute strong support for African involvement in global trade and infrastructural development. Brazil has taken strong action to achieve the criteria of having a world-class integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue through the series of initiatives pioneered by the Brazil Africa Forum.

Thus, Brazil receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Bebram Hathi

Canada: 0

Canada has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 23 December 2025, the International Development Research Centre in collaboration with private firm Evotel announced the installation of 120 artificial intelligence air-quality monitoring devices across South

²⁵⁰³ Comunicado Conjunto por ocasião da Visita de Estado de João Manuel Gonçalves Lourenço, Presidente de Angola, ao Brasil, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 23 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/comunicado-conjunto-por-ocasio-da-visita-de-estado-de-joao-manuel-goncalves-lourenco-presidente-de-angola-ao-brasil

²⁵⁰⁴ Abertura de dez novos mercados para a exportação agropecuária brasileira - Nota Conjunta MRE/MAPA, Ministério das Relações Exteriores (Brasília) 29 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.gov.br/mre/pt-br/canais_atendimento/imprensa/notas-a-imprensa/abertura-de-dez-novos-mercados-para-a-exportacao-agropecuaria-brasileira-nota-conjunta-mre-mapa

²⁵⁰⁵ Nigeria–Brazil \$1bn Agricultural Mechanization Partnership, Nigeria–Brazil Strategic Dialogue Mechanism (Abuja) 24 June 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://statehouse.gov.ng/news/at-the-second-dialogue-mechanism-vp-shettima-lauds-nigeria-brazil-1bn-agric-deal-strategic-alliance/>

²⁵⁰⁶ Global Partnerships for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security, Brazil Africa Forum 2025 (São Paulo) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://forumbrazilafrika.com/#speakers>

Africa.²⁵⁰⁷ This investment works to improve South Africa's infrastructural capability to gather environmental data, monitor the effects of climate change and improve public health.

On 7 February 2025, Director General for the Pan-African Bureau at Global Affairs Canada Andrew Smith met with the African Development Bank Group.²⁵⁰⁸ The discussions focused on strengthening cooperation through new financing approaches, including the second phase of the Canada-African Development Bank Climate Fund and the creation of the African Competitiveness Trust Fund to support the African Continental Free Trade Agreement. These actions aim to bolster trade integration and sustainable development in Africa.

On 6 March 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Melanie Joly, Minister of Export Promotion, International Trade and Economic Development Mary Ng and Minister of International Development Ahmed Hussen unveiled the Canada's first Africa Strategy.²⁵⁰⁹ This strategy includes projects that improve Africa's youth employability, strengthen trade support institutions and support African governments' infrastructure construction.²⁵¹⁰ Through consultation with African partners, the Canada-Africa strategy outlines Canada's policy approach towards supporting African development and the Agenda 2063 goals.

On 25 May 2025, Global Affairs Canada issued a statement reaffirming Canada's commitment to strengthening partnerships with businesses, countries and institutions across the African continent to support sustainable development.²⁵¹¹

On 17 July 2025, Secretary of State Randeep Sarai met with leaders of the African Union in Ethiopia.²⁵¹² At the meeting, Secretary Sarai committed to improving trade and investment ties through the African Continental Free Trade agreement.

On 8 September 2025, government representatives from Global Affairs Canada participated at the Accelerating 2025 hosted by the Canada-Africa Chamber of Business the Africa in Toronto and Hamilton, Canada.²⁵¹³ Participants included CEOs, ministers, academics and other key stakeholders advancing trade and investment between Canadian and African markets.

Canada has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. While it has taken some action to improve African infrastructure and signaled its commitment towards pursuing a policy direction in cooperation with the African Union, it has not particularly taken strong substantive material action in support of pursuing integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

²⁵⁰⁷ Growing solutions: New deal expands AI-powered air-quality monitoring in South Africa, International Development Research Council (Ottawa) 23 December 2024. Access Date: 11 April 2025. <https://idrc-crld.ca/en/news/growing-solutions-new-deal-expands-ai-powered-air-quality-monitoring-south-africa>

²⁵⁰⁸ Côte d'Ivoire: Canada Strengthens Partnership with the African Development Bank During High-Level Meeting, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 14 February 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/cote-divoire-canada-strengthens-partnership-african-development-bank-during-high-level-meeting-80964>

²⁵⁰⁹ Canada launches its first global Africa Strategy: A partnership for shared prosperity and security, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 6 March 2025. Access Date: 11 April 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/03/canada-launches-its-first-global-africa-strategy-a-partnership-for-shared-prosperity-and-security.html>

²⁵¹⁰ Backgrounder - Canada's Africa Initiatives, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 17 March 2025. Access Date: 21 August 2025. <https://www.international.gc.ca/gac-amc/publications/transparency-transparence/canada-africa-strategy-initiatives-strategie-afrique.aspx?lang=eng>

²⁵¹¹ Statement from Global Affairs Canada on Africa Day, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa) 25 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/05/statement-from-global-affairs-canada-on-africa-day.html>

²⁵¹² Backgrounder: Secretary of State Sarai's visit to Ethiopia and Tanzania, Global Affairs Canada (Ottawa). 17 July 2025. Access Date: 8 August 2025. <https://www.canada.ca/en/global-affairs/news/2025/07/backgrounder-secretary-of-state-sarais-visit-to-ethiopia-and-tanzania.html>

²⁵¹³ Africa Accelerating 2025, The Canada-Africa Chamber of Business (Toronto) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://canadaafrica.ca/blogs/events/africa-accelerating-2025>

Thus, Canada receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Sonia Tao

China: +1

China has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 21 November 2024, the Ministry of Science and Technology announced that China, Brazil, South Africa and the African Union jointly launched the Initiative on International Cooperation in Open Science.²⁵¹⁴ The initiative aims to promote the free flow of science and technology resources among the Global South. With explicit calls to support joint scientific infrastructure and open-access research, it advances Agenda 2063 and the goal of establishing seamless cross-border cooperation and integrative infrastructure across Africa.

On 1 December 2024, China granted zero tariff treatment to all items previously subject to a 100 per cent tariff for least developed countries that have established diplomatic relations with China, including 33 African countries.²⁵¹⁵ This initiative aims to support the needs of and share development opportunities with countries in the Global South, helping the African Union to realize trade and economic integration.

On 5 January 2025, Foreign Minister Wang Yi visited Namibia, Congo, Chad and Nigeria to promote bilateral relations with African countries.²⁵¹⁶ During his visit to Namibia, Minister Wang expressed China's willingness to support Namibia's modernization efforts by expanding collaboration in infrastructure, digital economy and energy.²⁵¹⁷ In Chad, Prime Minister Allamaye Halina welcomed increased Chinese business investment and expressed the willingness to strengthen bilateral economic relations.

On 15 February 2025, President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory message to the 38th African Union Summit, reaffirming China's commitment to deepening China-Africa relations and supporting Africa's development.²⁵¹⁸ President Xi emphasized the importance of implementing the "six proposals for modernization" and the Ten Partnership Initiatives. These actions "cover many key areas of Africa's modernization, including... trade and financial inclusion and are of great significance to the development transformation of the African continent."

On 20 March 2025, the China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation, a state enterprise, announced a USD1.4 billion investment in the rehabilitation of the Tanzania-Zambia Railway Authority railway.²⁵¹⁹ This investment allocates USD1 billion for track repair, safety enhancements and efficiency improvements and USD400 million for the purchase of new locomotives and wagons. The refurbishment aims to modernize this critical transportation corridor, enhancing regional connectivity and trade between Tanzania and Zambia. This initiative aligns with the African Union's Agenda 2063 objectives by promoting integrative infrastructure, facilitating seamless cross-border movement and economic integration.

²⁵¹⁴ China launches open science initiative with Brazil, South Africa, African Union, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 12 May 2025.

https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202411/21/content_WS673f3388c6d0868f4e8ed4ab.html

²⁵¹⁵ 外交部：非洲发展振兴进程中，中国永远不会缺席，中华人民共和国中央人民政府 (Beijing) 6 December 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 12 April 2025. https://www.gov.cn/lianbo/bumen/202412/content_6991359.htm

²⁵¹⁶ 中国外长连续35年年初首访非洲 外交部谈中方期待，中华人民共和国中央人民政府 (Beijing) 3 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 12 April 2025. https://www.gov.cn/lianbo/bumen/202501/content_6996166.htm

²⁵¹⁷ 王毅新年首访非洲 中非迈出“开局之年”第一步，中国青年报 (Beijing) 10 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 12 April 2025. https://m.cyol.com/gb/articles/2025-01/10/content_AjwAZBSzLB.html

²⁵¹⁸ 以更多实实在在的成果造福28亿多中非人民——习近平主席向第38届非洲联盟峰会致贺电引发热烈反响，中华人民共和国中央人民政府 (Beijing) 16 February 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 12 April 2025. https://www.gov.cn/yaowen/liebiao/202502/content_7003962.htm

²⁵¹⁹ China's CCECC to invest \$1.4 billion in Tanzania-Zambia railway, Reuters (London) 20 March 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/africa/chinas-ccecc-invest-14-billion-tanzania-zambia-railway-2025-03-20>

On 29 April 2025, the China Chamber of Commerce to Africa (CCCA) was officially launched in Addis Ababa under the guidance of the Chinese Mission to the African Union.²⁵²⁰ Spanning sectors such as energy, telecom, agriculture and construction, the CCCA aims to foster economic integration and facilitate partnerships that directly support Agenda 2063 objectives. Chinese officials highlighted that the chamber will strengthen cooperation and trade between China and Africa, helping to enhance regional value chains, attract investment and improve logistics infrastructure.

On 6 May 2025, the Export-Import Bank of China provided Nigeria with a USD652 million funding package to construct a vital road corridor.²⁵²¹ This road will serve as a key evacuation corridor, facilitating the movement of goods from the Lekki Deep Sea Port and the Dangote Petroleum Refinery to other parts of the country. This project highlights China's continued commitment to investing in infrastructure across Africa.

On 11 June 2025, China hosted the Follow-up Actions of the Forum on China–Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) Coordinators' Ministerial Meeting in Changsha with participation from over 100 African officials and AU Commission representatives.²⁵²² Foreign Minister Wang Yi reaffirmed China's commitment to implementing the Ten Partnership Actions from the 2024 FOCAC Beijing Summit, with a focus on trade, infrastructure and digital cooperation. The meeting also produced the China–Africa Changsha Declaration on Global South Solidarity. This high-level engagement reflects strong action toward both integrative infrastructure and cross-border cooperation under Agenda 2063.

On 23 September 2025, the Chinese Embassy in South Africa alongside the South African Department of Trade, Industry and Competition hosted the South Africa-China Trade and Investment Promotion Conference.²⁵²³ During the conference, Ambassador Wu Peng highlighted China's openness to signing an Agreement on a China-Africa Economic Partnership for Shared Development which would implement zero-tariff trading across 53 African countries.

On 26 September 2025, China and the AU signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on a cooperative framework in the fields of science and technology.²⁵²⁴ The MoU aims to strengthen ongoing cooperation by co-establishing science and technology platforms including research centres, institutes and laboratories. This initiative also contributes towards the implementation of the ten-year Science, Technology and Innovation Strategy for Africa (STISA 2025-2034) and Agenda 2063, advancing action towards developing integrative infrastructure and cross-border cooperation.

On 20 October 2025, Ambassador Jiang Feng met with AUC Chairperson Mahmoud Ali Youssouf to discuss China-Africa partnerships and reflections the proposed "Cooperation Supporting Africa's Modernisation" initiative that emerged from the 2024 FOCAC Beijing Summit.²⁵²⁵ The pair reaffirmed their commitment to strengthen AU-China relations.

²⁵²⁰ China Chamber of Commerce to Africa launched in Addis Ababa, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 30 April 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202504/30/content_WS6811757cc6d0868f4e8f2342.html

²⁵²¹ Nigeria approves \$652 million China Exim Bank road finance package, Reuters (London) 6 May 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.reuters.com/world/africa/nigeria-approves-652-million-china-exim-bank-road-finance-package-2025-05-06>

²⁵²² The Ministerial Meeting of Coordinators on the Implementation of the Follow-up Actions of the Forum on China–Africa Cooperation Held in Changsha, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 11 June 2025. Access Date: 14 July 2025. https://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/wjb/wjbz/hd/202506/t20250612_11646981.html

²⁵²³ Chinese Embassy and DTIC Jointly Host South Africa-China Trade and Investment Promotion Conference, Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Republic of South Africa (Pretoria) 23 September 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. https://za.china-embassy.gov.cn/eng/dshd/202509/t20250926_11718029.htm

²⁵²⁴ China and the African Union Commission Sign Cooperative Framework on Science and Technology, African Union (Addis Ababa) 26 September 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250926/china-and-auc-sign-cooperative-framework-science-and-technology>

²⁵²⁵ AUC Chairperson held a productive meeting with H.E. Amb. Jiang Feng, Head of Mission of the People's Republic of China to the AU, African Union (Addis Ababa) 20 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20251020/auc-chairperson-held-productive-meeting-head-mission-china>

China has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. By investing in logistical infrastructure across various African countries, China has demonstrated strong support for cross-continental connectivity and logistical development. Simultaneously, tariff reductions and high-level diplomatic engagements constitute strong support for seamless borders and dialogue.

Thus, China receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Jasmin Simopoulos

France: 0

France has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 29 November 2024, Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Jean-Noël Barrot met with the chairperson of the African Union.²⁵²⁶ They discussed the progress of the African Continental Free Trade Area and opportunities for France to support innovation, climate, communication, cybersecurity and space.

On 16 April 2025, France held the Ancrages Forum in Marseille aimed at revitalizing France-Africa relations.²⁵²⁷ The Government of France announced several initiatives including pledging to support entrepreneurs in Africa.

On 17 April 2025, Minister Barrot reaffirmed France's commitment to African diasporas by announcing the African Diaspora Action Plan.² This action plan provides an integrated framework linking several programs that support Africa's financial money transfer infrastructure, private sector and entrepreneurs.

On 15 May 2025, Minister Barrot and Minister Delegate for Europe Benjamin Haddad passed a bill that approved amendment No. F/BG/2023/04 to the African Development Fund.²⁵²⁸ This amendment enables the African Development Fund to access international financial markets, allowing it to finance investment and better foster development.

On 30 October 2025, France held a conference in Paris on peace and prosperity in the Great Lakes region.²⁵²⁹ The conference aims to facilitate discussion on advancing regional economic integration, engaging the international community in securing peace and prosperity, securing tangible support for local communities.

France has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. France has made diplomatic efforts to meet with African leaders and reiterated its commitments to development and free trade in the region, thus constituting moderate action to support seamless borders and dialogue. Moreover, France has demonstrated a moderate commitment to integrative infrastructure through its actions regarding the African Development Fund and the creation of the African Diaspora Action Plan.

²⁵²⁶ Communiqué conjoint à l'issue de la tenue du dialogue stratégique Union africaine - France, France Diplomatie (Paris) 2 December 2024. Translation Provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 27 March 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/fr/dossiers-pays/afrique/evenements/article/communique-conjoint-a-l-issue-de-la-tenue-du-dialogue-strategique-union>

²⁵²⁷ Ancrages forum: supporting entrepreneurship in Africa (16 April 2025), France Diplomatie (Paris) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 18 April 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/africa/news/article/ancrages-forum-supporting-entrepreneurship-in-africa-16-apr-2025>

²⁵²⁸ Compte rendu du Conseil des ministres du 15 mai 2025, Gouvernement (Paris) 15 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 17 May 2025. <https://www.info.gouv.fr/conseil-des-ministres/compte-rendu-du-conseil-des-ministres-du-15-05-2025>

²⁵²⁹ Conference in Paris on 30 October, in support of peace and prosperity in the Great Lakes region (16 October 2025), Ministère de L'Europe et des Affaires Étrangères (Paris) 16 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/country-files/africa/news/article/conference-in-paris-on-30-october-in-support-of-peace-and-prosperity-in-the>

Thus, France receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Taabna Zubery

Germany: +1

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 28 November 2024, Germany announced that it would work with South Africa to promote renewable energy and facilitate a socially just and sustainable green transition.²⁵³⁰ As part of the Just Energy Transition Partnership, Germany pledged EUR276 million to support South Africa's shift to renewable power, with the majority of funds being a loan to advance energy transition.

On 9 December 2024, the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), a state-owned development bank, and the African Trade & Investment Development Insurance (ATIDI) announced a strategic partnership to improve access to finance for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs).²⁵³¹ The initiative aims to facilitate cross border trade across the African continent by providing risk mitigation strategies for financial institutions through the Portfolio Risk Sharing Agreement (PoRSA) program and streamline the transportation of goods across borders through the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) scheme.

On 8 January 2025, the Federal Government published its Africa Policy Guidelines, which set out four priorities for cooperation with African countries, including a focus on sustainable growth and better economic trade between companies.²⁵³² The government aims to actively boost trade with Africa. Priorities include implementing the African Continental Free Trade Area with European Union partners, expanding the EU's economic partnership agreements with African nations and supporting the involvement of German small and medium-sized businesses in Africa.

On 12 February 2025, Germany and the African Development Bank committed to joint initiatives that would boost energy access and private sector growth in Africa.²⁵³³ The two parties signed significant agreements for the Alliance for Green Infrastructure in Africa (AGIA), specifically the AGIA Project Development Fund.

On 18 March 2025, KfW and the African Development Bank signed a EUR18.4 million financing agreement for the New Partnership for Africa's Development's Infrastructure Project Preparation Facility Special Fund.²⁵³⁴ This contribution supports the deployment of financing towards infrastructure development in the continent, in alignment with the UN SDG goals and Agenda 2063.

On 11 April 2025, Parliamentary State Secretary to the German Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development Niels Annen met with the Chairperson of the AU Commission Mahmoud Ali Youssouf to

²⁵³⁰ Deutschland bleibt wichtiger Unterstützer von Südafrikas sozial gerechter Energiewende, Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung (Berlin) 28 November 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 27 March 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/de/aktuelles/aktuelle-meldungen/de-unterstuetzt-suedafrikas-sozial-gerechte-energiewende-239498>

²⁵³¹ ATIDI and KfW Development Bank Partner to Strengthen SME Access to Finance and Support Cross Border Trade, African Trade & Investment Development Insurance (Nairobi) 9 December 2024. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://www.atidi.africa/atidi-and-kfw-development-bank-partner-to-strengthen-sme-access-to-finance-and-support-cross-border-trade/>

²⁵³² Shaping partnerships together in a changing world: The Federal Government's Africa Policy Guidelines, Federal Foreign Office (Berlin) 8 January 2025. Access Date: 17 May 2025. <https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/en/aussenpolitik/regionaleschwerpunkte/afrika/afrika-leitlinien-node>

²⁵³³ African Development Bank and Germany Announce Major Initiatives in Energy Access, Private Sector Development, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 12 February 2025. Access Date: 28 March 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/african-development-bank-and-germany-announce-major-initiatives-energy-access-private-sector-development-80896>

²⁵³⁴ African Development Bank and Germany Sign €18.4 million financing agreement in support of NEPAD-IPPF to boost infrastructure project preparation in Africa, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 18 March 2025. Access Date: 28 March 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/african-development-bank-and-germany-sign-eu184-million-financing-agreement-support-nepad-ippf-boost-infrastructure-project-preparation-africa-81855>

advance strategic partnerships between the AU and Germany.²⁵³⁵ State Secretary Annen reaffirmed Germany's commitment to the "further implementation of the Agenda 2063."

On 5 May 2025, the Christian Democratic Union of Germany (CDU), the Christian Social Union in Bavaria (CSU) and the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD) signed a coalition agreement reiterating Germany's commitment to supporting the African Continental Free-Trade Area (AfCFTA) through enhancing trade relations with African countries and economic partnerships with Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, and Ghana.²⁵³⁶

On 14 May 2025, the AfDB and the German Investment and Development Company (DEG), a state-owned development institution, hosted a strategic meeting deepen their partnership in supporting Africa's private sector development.²⁵³⁷ The two parties discussed collaborative efforts to bolster private equity funds, small and medium enterprises, renewable energy, infrastructure development and industrial development across Africa.

On 21 May 2025, Minister for Foreign Affairs Johann Wadephul met with the African Union Commission (AUC) Chairperson Mahmoud Ali Youssouf, committing to strengthen collaborative efforts in economic development of the continent.²⁵³⁸

On 26 May 2025, Parliamentary State Secretary of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) Bärbel Kofler attended the 60th Annual Meeting of the AfDB in Abidjan.²⁵³⁹ In the meeting, Germany emphasized that it would continue to be a partner of the AfDB through participating in the development of energy supply, climate action and better financial management across Africa.

On 18 June 2025, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development alongside the EU and the Ministry of Health of Malawi jointly launched the "Support to the Public Health Institute of Malawi" project under the Global Gateway platform.²⁵⁴⁰ This package offers EUR4.6 million of funding over four years to strengthen Malawi's health infrastructure and capability.

On 25 June 2025, officials from the BMZ invited a delegation from the African Development Bank Group to Berlin for a presentation on the 2025 African Economic Outlook Report (AEO).²⁵⁴¹ During the meeting, officials emphasized that the policy recommendations in the AEO will collaboratively shape strategies for future collaboration, investment and infrastructure development with African partners.

²⁵³⁵ AU, Germany explore avenues to strengthening strategic partnerships, Fana Media Corporation S.C. (Addis Ababa) 11 April 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.fanamc.com/english/au-germany-explore-avenues-to-strengthening-strategic-partnerships/>

²⁵³⁶ The coalition agreement between the CDU, CSU and SPD, Deloitte (Munich) 5 May 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://www.deloittelegal.de/dl/en/services/legal/perspectives/koalitionsvertrag-cdu-csu-spd.html>

²⁵³⁷ African Development Bank, DEG to deepen partnership in private sector development in Africa, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 20 May 2025. Access Date: 7 July 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/african-development-bank-deg-deepen-partnership-private-sector-development-africa-83798>

²⁵³⁸ AUC Chairperson had a fruitful engagement with Germany's Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs, Dr. Johann Wadephul, African Union Commission (Addis Ababa) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. <https://au.int/ar/node/44801>

²⁵³⁹ 3 Deutschland tritt ein für Nachhaltigkeit und multilaterale Lösungen, Bundesministerium für wirtschaftliche Zusammenarbeit und Entwicklung (Berlin) 26 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 8 July 2025. <https://www.bmz.de/en/news/press-releases/kofler-annual-meetings-of-the-african-development-bank-254274>

²⁵⁴⁰ Launch of a New Initiative to Strengthen the Public Health Institute of Malawi, Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Malawi (Lilongwe) 18 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/malawi/launch-new-initiative-strengthen-public-health-institute-malawi_en

²⁵⁴¹ Germany: African Development Bank Group presents 2025 African Economic Outlook report in Berlin, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 2 October 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025 <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/germany-african-development-bank-group-presents-2025-african-economic-outlook-report-berlin-87398>

On 14 August 2025, KfW committed to providing EUR26 million towards the Alliance for Green Infrastructure in Africa – Project Development Fund (AGIA-PD).²⁵⁴² The AGIA-PD is a financing initiative to provide capital for green infrastructure in Africa, such as renewable energy and sustainable transport and water. The investment will help promote private investments in infrastructure and economic growth across the African continent.

On 8 September 2025, the BMZ launched the Engaging for Africa's Green Energy Transition (ENGAGE) initiative which is to be funded by the BMZ.²⁵⁴³ ENGAGE will expedite and support the implementation of projects including the African Single Electricity Market and the Continental Power Systems that will build electricity infrastructure across the continent as part of African Union's Agenda 2063.

On 9 October 2025, Germany and the Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) met to discuss their ongoing partnership in the Horn of Africa.²⁵⁴⁴ Germany affirmed its commitment to provide an addition EUR16 million to the Regional Migration Policy Framework and Protocol on the Free Movement of Persons, EUR2.5 million in funding to the Strengthening IGAD's Capacity for Implementation of the Development Agenda (SCIDA), and EUR22.5 million for Regional Risk Finance Programme. These programs aim to promote the free movement of people, strengthen institutional capacity, and enhance regional policy coordination.

Germany has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters the second decade of implementation. Germany has provided strong economic support to various initiatives to further infrastructural development across the continent. Moreover, Germany has also taken strong action through its support of the Regional Migration Policy Framework and Protocol to advance the goal of Africa being a continent of seamless borders that manages cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Germany receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Anahit Hakobyan

India: 0

India has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 26 February 2025, External Affairs Minister Subrahmanyam Jaishankar attended the Japan-India-Africa Business Forum.²⁵⁴⁵ During the event, he emphasized the importance of strengthening cooperation between attending delegations to enhance the relevance of Global South voices, expand trade relations, deepen economic engagement and promote broader development.

²⁵⁴² African Development Bank Group Commits \$40 Million to Catalyze the Alliance for Green Infrastructure - Project Development Fund, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 14 August 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. <https://afdb.africa-newsroom.com/press/african-development-bank-group-commits-40-million-to-catalyze-the-alliance-for-green-infrastructure-project-development-fund?lang=en>

²⁵⁴³ Africa Climate Summit: Major energy programmes launched as African Union and European Union celebrate 25 years of partnership, European External Action Service (Brussels) 10 September 2025. Access Date: 9 October 2025 https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/african-union-au/africa-climate-summit-major-energy-programmes-launched-african-union-and-european-union-celebrate-25_en

²⁵⁴⁴ IGAD and Germany Deepen Strategic Partnership to Advance Migration Governance and Climate Resilience in the Horn of Africa, Intergovernmental Authority on Development (Djibouti) 9 October 2025. Access Date: 13 October 2025 <https://igad.int/igad-and-germany-deepen-strategic-partnership-to-advance-migration-governance-and-climate-resilience-in-the-horn-of-africa/>

²⁵⁴⁵ EAM's remarks at Japan-India-Africa Business Forum (February 26, 2025), Government of India Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 26 February 2025. Access Date: 13 April 2025. <https://www.mea.gov.in/Speeches-Statements.htm?dtl/39105/eams+remarks+at+japanindiaafrica+business+forum+february+26+2025>

On 12 March 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi met with the Prime Minister of Mauritius Navinchandra Ramgoolam.²⁵⁴⁶ They discussed a deepening of economic and political cooperation, in particular, agreeing to proceed with a variety of initiatives to boost both partners' trade and infrastructure development.

On 13 April 2025, the first joint Africa-India Key Maritime Engagement exercise was held.²⁵⁴⁷ This event aims to strengthen multilateral collaboration between India and ten African countries and bolster maritime security, particularly in the region, against threats to economic trade, such as piracy.

On 3 May 2025, President Droupadi Murmu met with President of Angola Joao Manuel Goncalves Lourenco.²⁵⁴⁸ President Murmu reaffirmed India's commitment to strengthening strategic partnerships in the African continent through initiatives like the India-Africa Forum Summit that fosters development assistance, economic cooperation, multilateral engagement, human resource development and South-South cooperation.²⁵⁴⁹

On 28 May 2025, Minister Jaishankar spoke on African Day 2025 in New Delhi.²⁵⁵⁰ Minister Jaishankar emphasized the shared interests of both countries and the need to stand together. He also spoke about the ways India has contributed to and will continue to contribute to the overall development of Africa, highlighting India's advocacy for Africa's engagement in global discourse spaces.

On 13 June 2025, Vice Minister for Economic Relations responsible for African Affairs in the Ministry of External Affairs Dammu Ravi met with Commissioner for Health, Humanitarian Affairs and Social Development Amma Adomaa Twum-Amoah to enhance collaboration in key areas including healthcare delivery, affordable medicine access and capacity building for emerging technologies including AI and digital health.²⁵⁵¹ The meeting also involved an agreement on actions to advance AU-India collaboration including knowledge-exchange on manufacturing expertise, capacity-building and institutional strengthening initiatives and public-private partnerships to build infrastructure.

On 27 June 2025, Prime Minister Modi met with President John Mahama of Ghana.²⁵⁵² Prime Minister Modi reaffirmed India's commitment to supporting Africa and the two discussed bilateral cooperation to advance development across a variety of sectors including infrastructure.

²⁵⁴⁶ India-Mauritius Joint Vision for an Enhanced Strategic Partnership (March 12, 2025), Government of India Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 12 March 2025. Access Date: 13 April 2025. <http://mea.gov.in/bilateral-documents.htm?dtl/39159/indiamauritius+joint+vision+for+an+enhanced+strategic+partnership+march+12+2025>

²⁵⁴⁷ AFRICA INDIA KEY MARITIME ENGAGEMENT (AIKEYME) 2025 INAUGURATION, Ministry of Defence (New Delhi) 13 April 2025. Access Date: 22 May 2025. <https://www.pib.gov.in/PressReleasePage.aspx?PRID=2121521>

²⁵⁴⁸ President hosts President of Angola (May 03, 2025), Government of India Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 4 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39464/President_hosts_President_of_Angola_May_03_2025

²⁵⁴⁹ India-Africa Forum Summit: A partnership of vision and mutual growth, The Times of India (New Delhi) 30 December 2024. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/blogs/rashmi-anands-perspectives/india-africa-forum-summit-a-partnership-of-vision-and-mutual-growth/>

²⁵⁵⁰ EAM's address at the Africa Day Celebrations (May 28, 2025), Government of India, Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 28 May 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/Speeches-Statements.htm?dtl/39573/EAMs_address_at_the_Africa_Day_Celebrations_May_28_2025

²⁵⁵¹ Strengthening Africa-India Cooperation in Health, Humanitarian Affairs, and Social Development, African Union (Addis Ababa) 13 June 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250613/strengthening-africa-india-cooperation-health-humanitarian-affairs>

²⁵⁵² STATEMENT: Official visit to Ghana by H.E. Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of the Republic of India, The Presidency Republic of Ghana (Accra) 27 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://presidency.gov.gh/statement-official-visit-to-ghana-by-h-e-narendra-modi-prime-minister-of-the-republic-of-india/>

On 10 July 2025, Prime Minister Modi met with President Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah of Namibia.²⁵⁵³ The two discussed strengthening bilateral ties with a particular focus on joint development in the agricultural, health and information technology sectors.

On 27 August 2025, the Government of India in partnership with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) hosted the 20th CII India Africa Business Conclave.²⁵⁵⁴ This conference brought together Indian and African policymakers as well as private sector leaders to collaborate on topics such as regional trade and supply chain integration.

On 11 September 2025, India held the India-Africa Seed Summit 2025 featuring government representatives from India and AU countries, academics and business leaders.²⁵⁵⁵ Discussions include opportunities for collaboration on seed sector growth, leveraging AI and digital technologies in seed innovation and plant breeding, public-private partnerships in seed research and innovation, South-South cooperation on food security and fostering India-Africa collaboration on policy and regulation in seed trade.²⁵⁵⁶

India has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. India has demonstrated moderate support for integrative infrastructure by participating in multilateral events. India has also demonstrated moderate support for seamless borders and dialogue through its participation in forums and in maritime exercises with African countries to combat piracy.

Thus, India receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Samuel Kamalendran

Indonesia: -1

Indonesia has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

Indonesia has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Indonesia has not taken any steps to advance having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Indonesia receives a score of -1.²⁵⁵⁷

Analyst: Dbillon Mistry

²⁵⁵³ Prime Minister meets with the President of Namibia (July 09, 2025), Ministry of External Affairs (New Delhi) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. https://www.mea.gov.in/press-releases.htm?dtl/39787/Prime_Minister_meets_with_the_President_of_Namibia_July_09_2025

²⁵⁵⁴ India-Africa Conclave_Brochure, Consulate General of India (Zanzibar) 19 April 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://www.cgizanzibar.gov.in/pdf/20th%20India-Africa%20Business%20Conclave%20-%20Brochure.pdf>

²⁵⁵⁵ India-Africa Seed Summit 2025, India-Africa Seed Summit (Hyderabad) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.seedsummit.icfa.org.in/#:~:text=India%20and%20Africa!-,Seed%20Business%20Awards%202025,sustainability%20across%20India%20and%20Africa.>

²⁵⁵⁶ Events Schedule Plan, India-Africa Seed Summit (Hyderabad) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.seedsummit.icfa.org.in/agenda>

²⁵⁵⁷ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://indonesia.go.id/>, www.setneg.go.id, www.kemenkeu.go.id, <https://www.menpan.go.id/>, <https://www.thejakartapost.com/> and <https://en.antaranews.com/>.

Italy: +1

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 27 January 2025, the Undersecretary for the Environment and Energy Security Claudio Barbaro reiterated Italy's dedication to the Mattei Plan at the African Head of State Energy Summit.²⁵⁵⁸ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan and the development of renewable energy on the African continent.

On 29 January 2025, Minister of the Environment and Energy Security Gilberto Pichetto attended the launch of "Terna Innovation Zone Tunisia" and signed a memorandum of understanding on sustainable development with the Tunisian government.²⁵⁵⁹

On 19 February 2025, Ambassador Luca Sabbatucci highlighted Italy's support for the Africa Virtual Investment Platform (AVIP), a joint initiative between the African Union and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) to facilitate data, transparency and coordination of investment opportunities in Africa, with a focus on infrastructure, during an OECD Council meeting.²⁵⁶⁰ The AVIP was an initiative supported during Italy's G7 Presidency.

On 27 February 2025, Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni discussed Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan on a telephone call with the President of Egypt Abdel Fattah el-Sisi.²⁵⁶¹ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan and to develop education, renewable energy and sustainable agriculture in Africa.

On 3 March 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Antonio Tajani participated in a series of meetings with President of Algeria Abdelmadjid Tebboune, Minister of Foreign Affairs, National Community Abroad and African Affairs Ahmed Attaf and Minister of Energy, Mines and Renewable Energies Mohamed Arkab to discuss strategic economic partnerships as a part of the Mattei Plan and visions for development initiatives across the African continent.²⁵⁶² The meetings focussed on economic partnerships in the agriculture, defence, energy, infrastructure, space and transport sectors.

On 14 March 2025, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation Edmondo Cirielli met with the Economic Advisor of the Eritrean President Hagos Ghebrehiwet where Deputy Minister Cirielli reiterated Italy's commitment to supporting the development of the Horn of Africa and strengthening Italian-Eritrean partnerships in line with the Mattei Plan.²⁵⁶³

²⁵⁵⁸ Piano Mattei, l'Italia sostiene il Programma "Mission 300" per l'accesso all'elettricità di 300 milioni di persone nell'Africa Sub-Sahariana, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 27 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 25 March 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/notizie/piano-mattei-litalia-sostiene-il-programma-mission-300-laccesso-allelettricit-di-300>

²⁵⁵⁹ Energia: Pichetto a Tunisi, opportunità di crescita tra i due Paesi nello spirito del Piano Mattei, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 30 January 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 25 March 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/comunicati/energia-pichetto-tunisi-opportunita-di-crescita-i-due-paesi-nello-spirito-del-piano>

²⁵⁶⁰ Italy at OECD-ESA, X Corp. (Texas) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://x.com/ItalyatOECD_ESA/status/1892251889091141982

²⁵⁶¹ Telephone conversation with President El-Sisi of Egypt, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 27 February 2025. Access Date: 25 March 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/telephone-conversation-president-el-sisi-egypt/27764>

²⁵⁶² Tajani on mission in Algeria, a key strategic partner in the Mediterranean and Africa, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 3 March 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/03/tajani-in-missione-in-algeria-partner-strategico-chiave-nel-mediterraneo-e-in-africa/

²⁵⁶³ Deputy Minister Cirielli receives Eritrean President Afewerki's Economic Advisor, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 14 March 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/03/il-vice-ministro-cirielli-riceve-il-consigliere-economico-del-presidente-eritreo-afewerki/

On 25 March 2025, Prime Minister Meloni discussed Italy's dedication to the Mattei Plan during a meeting with EU Commissioner for International Partnerships Jozef Síkela.²⁵⁶⁴ This displays Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan and to develop of the African continent.

On 27 March 2025, Italy and the EU co-hosted a joint event for coordination and cooperation on Italy's Mattei Plan for Africa and the EU's Global Gateway initiative.²⁵⁶⁵ The parties aimed to address the specific needs of African countries, drive sustainable investment and strengthen economic security with the African continent. Key areas of discussion included the coffee supply chain and various forms of infrastructure.

On 5 April 2025, Minister Cirielli stated the strategic motivations of tools and instruments supporting public-private partnership under the Mattei Plan as a "development cooperation" during the Conference "Mattei Plan: Projects, Opportunities and Financial Instruments."²⁵⁶⁶

On 7 April 2025, the Ministry of the Environment and Energy Security presented at the 11th Session of the African Regional Forum for Sustainable Development of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa.²⁵⁶⁷ During the event, it reaffirmed Italy's commitment to the multilevel implementation of the 2030 Agenda and its dedication to supporting African partners in developing localized, integrated frameworks for the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

On 24 April 2025, Minister Tajani met with the President of Egypt Abdel Fattah al-Sisi and the Minister of Foreign Affairs Badr Abdelatty to sign a series of agreements including a Memorandum of Understanding to establish the Italian-Egyptian Employment Centre in alignment with the Mattei Plan.²⁵⁶⁸ The centre aims to address the need for skilled labour.

On 7 May 2025, the Italian Development Cooperation conducted a mission to Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire and Guinea to strengthen and consolidate partnerships in West Africa, in alignment with the Mattei Plan.²⁵⁶⁹ The delegation held meetings with representatives from partner countries, engaging with various ministries including agriculture, education and digitalisation to identify priority areas and operational methods for implementing actions.

On 16 May 2025, Undersecretary for the Environment and Energy Security Claudio Barbaro reaffirmed Italy's commitment to sustainable energy infrastructure and climate adaptation in Africa during an event organized by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the International Renewable Energy Agency.²⁵⁷⁰

²⁵⁶⁴ Meeting with the European Commissioner for International Partnerships, Jozef Síkela, Italian Government Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 25 March 2025. Access Date: 25 March 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/meeting-european-commissioner-international-partnerships-jozef-s-kela/28042>

²⁵⁶⁵ Italy-EU Joint Press Release, Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 27 March 2025, Access Date: 17 May 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/italy-eu-joint-press-release/28063>

²⁵⁶⁶ Speech by Deputy Minister Cirielli at the Conference "Mattei Plan: Projects, Opportunities and Financial Instruments," Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 5 April 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/04/intervento-del-vice-ministro-cirielli-al-convegno-piano-mattei-progetti-opportunita-e-strumenti-finanziari/

²⁵⁶⁷ Il MASE all'African Regional Forum for Sustainable Development per presentare il modello italiano di localizzazione degli SDG, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 8 April 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 8 May 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/pagina/il-mase-allafrican-regional-forum-sustainable-development-presentare-il-modello-italiano-di>

²⁵⁶⁸ Tajani in Egypt for Gaza, Libya, the Red Sea, and Economic Cooperation, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 24 April 2025. Access Date: 3 September 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/04/tajani-in-egitto-per-gaza-libia-mar-rosso-e-collaborazione-economica/

²⁵⁶⁹ Mission of the Italian Development Cooperation system to Ghana, Côte d'Ivoire and Guinea, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 16 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/05/missione-del-sistema-italiano-della-cooperazione-allo-sviluppo-in-ghana-costa-davorio-e-guinea/

²⁵⁷⁰ Clima: MASE, avanti su energia sostenibile e adattamento in Africa, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 16 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/portale/-/clima-mase-avanti-su-energia-sostenibile-e-adattamento-in-africa>

This demonstrates Italy's support for the Mattei Plan and its focus on sustainable development in African countries.

On 21 May 2025, Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs Maria Tripodi participated in the EU-African Union Ministerial Meeting in Brussels where she highlighted Italy's efforts to advance socio-economic development in the African continent within the framework of the Mattei Plan.²⁵⁷¹

On 28 May 2025, the MASE and UN-Habitat co-organized the Special Event "Multilevel Governance for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Localization" in Nairobi.²⁵⁷² This forum brought together UN member states to foster dialogue and strengthen collaboration on implementing SDGs at local and national levels. This underlines Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan and to advancing multilevel governance as a pillar of sustainable development in Africa.

On 20 June 2025, the Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy alongside the UNDP officially launched the AI Hub.²⁵⁷³ The AI Hub aims to channel global AI partnerships to strengthen the local AI infrastructure ecosystem in Africa.

On 20 June 2025, Prime Minister Meloni hosted the Mattei Plan Summit in Rome.²⁵⁷⁴ Discussions centered around coordinating investment and development in the Lobito Corridor. The summit resulted in EUR1.2 billion of new EU-Italy led strategic investments.

On 2 July 2025, Minister Pichetto launched the Platform for Investment Support and Technical Assistance at the UNDP Rome Centre to support investment and technical assistance in developing countries, with particular focus on Africa.²⁵⁷⁵ This is in accordance with the Mattei Plan and helps promote development as well as sustainable energy infrastructure in Africa.

On 8 July 2025, the MASE participated in the Climate Leadership and Innovation Conference in Rabat.²⁵⁷⁶ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to the Mattei Plan and its support for youth leadership and climate innovation in Africa.

On 23 July 2025, Italy hosted the fifth Italy-Algeria Intergovernmental Summit during which Italy signed various agreements with Algeria promoting bilateral cooperation.²⁵⁷⁷ Moreover, the events also included an

²⁵⁷¹ Tripodi in Brussels for Foreign Affairs Council and EU-African Union Ministerial Meeting, Ministero degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale (Rome) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025.

https://www.esteri.it/en/sala_stampa/archivionotizie/comunicati/2025/05/tripodi-a-bruxelles-a-consiglio-affari-esteri-e-a-ministeriale-unione-europea-unione-africana/

²⁵⁷² Governance multilivello per gli Obiettivi di Sviluppo Sostenibile, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 28 May 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/portale/web/guest/governance-multilivello-per-gli-obiettivi-di-sviluppo-sostenibile-nairobi-28-maggio-2025>

²⁵⁷³ G7-Endorsed AI Hub for Sustainable Development Launches in Rome, forging 25 new partnerships to catalyze the transformative potential of Africa's AI Builders, Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy (Rome) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 18 July 2025. <https://www.mimit.gov.it/en/media-tools/news/g7-endorsed-ai-hub-for-sustainable-leadership-launches-in-rome-forging-25-new-partnerships-to-catalyze-the-transformative-potential-of-africas-ai-builders>

²⁵⁷⁴ Italy-EU summit on Africa strategic investments unveils agreements worth €1.2B, Anadolu Agency (Ankara) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/italy-eu-summit-on-africa-strategic-investments-unveils-agreements-worth-12b/3606104>

²⁵⁷⁵ Climate: MASE launches PISTA – a Platform for Investment and Technical Assistance in Developing Countries, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 25 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/portale/web/guest/climate-mase-launches-pista-a-platform-for-investment-and-technical-assistance-in-developing-countries>

²⁵⁷⁶ Marocco, il MASE protagonista alla Conferenza "Climate Leadership and Innovation" di Rabat, Ministero dell'Ambiente e della Sicurezza Energetica (Rome) 11 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 15 July 2025. <https://www.mase.gov.it/portale/web/guest/marocco-il-mase-protagonista-alla-conferenza-climate-leadership-and-innovation-di-rabat>

²⁵⁷⁷ Fifth Italy-Algeria Intergovernmental Summit, Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/media/quinto-vertice-italia-algeria/29318>

Italy-Algeria Business Forum. As part of this, the state export credit and insurance company SACE signed a memorandum of understanding with BF International to support the development of model farms and agro-industrial value chains by Italian investors across Africa.²⁵⁷⁸

On 28 July 2025, Prime Minister Meloni co-hosted the United Nations Food Systems Summit alongside Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed in Addis Ababa.²⁵⁷⁹ This demonstrates Italy's commitment to infrastructural development in Africa, to the advancement of food system transformation and to supporting cross-border cooperation in food security and supply chains.

On 31 July 2025, Prime Minister Meloni met with Tunisian President Kais Saied.²⁵⁸⁰ During the meeting, the two leaders discussed the implementation of infrastructural projects under the Mattei plan. Prime Minister Meloni reaffirmed Italy's commitment to supporting the ELMED power line project.

On 30 September 2024, Ambassador of Italy to Uganda, Mauro Massoni signed the agreement for the “strengthening the private sector through capacity building and international partnerships in Uganda.”²⁵⁸¹ The agreement, funded by the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, provides EUR1.7 million to strengthen the local private sector in Uganda through the Mattei Plan.

Italy has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Italy has reaffirmed its commitment to development in Africa, notably through the Mattei Plan. It has taken strong action to advance Africa having world-class integrative infrastructure through the launch of the AI Hub, the Platform for Investment Support and Technical Assistance and other substantive initiatives. It has taken strong action to facilitate the management of cross-border resources through dialogue by hosting the United Nations Food Systems Summit with a focus on cross-border cooperation and food supply chains.

Thus, Italy receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Dhillon Mistry

Japan: +1

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 25 November 2024, the Japan International Cooperation Agency and the African Union Development Agency – New Partnership for Africa's Development (AUDA-NEPAD) jointly launched the One-Stop Border Posts (OSBP) Status Report during the 8th Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa Week in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.²⁵⁸² The OSBP report analyses the efforts of one-stop border posts located in key corridors across the continent, which facilitate the integration of Africa as part of Agenda 2063.

²⁵⁷⁸ Mattei Plan: MoU signed between SACE and BF International for the development of agro-industrial supply chains in Algeria and other African nations, Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 23 July 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/node/29313>

²⁵⁷⁹ President Meloni's Speech at the UN Food Systems Summit in Addis Ababa, Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 28 July 2025. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 24 July 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/president-meloni-s-speech-un-food-systems-summit-addis-ababa/29355>

²⁵⁸⁰ Meeting with the President of the Republic of Tunisia, Kais Saied, Presidency of the Council of Ministers (Rome) 31 July 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://www.governo.it/en/articolo/meeting-president-republic-tunisia-kais-saied/29383>

²⁵⁸¹ Italy and Uganda together for the Private Sector: Project Agreement signed at the Embassy, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (Kampala) 30 September 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://www.aics.gov.it/news/italia-e-uganda-insieme-per-rafforzare-il-settore-privato/?lang=en>

²⁵⁸² 第8回アフリカ・インフラ開発プログラム(PIDA)ウィークへの参加: AUDA-NEPADと共同作成を行ったOSBPステータス・レポートを成功裏にローンチ, 独立行政法人 国際協力機構 (Tokyo) 9 December 2024. Translation provided by Google Translate. Access Date: 4 April 2025. https://www.jica.go.jp/information/seminar/2024/1557446_52234.html

On 13 February 2025, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs Eri Arfiya participated in bilateral meetings with representatives of various African countries and organizations at the Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the African Union.²⁵⁸³ Meetings included ministers of the Republic of Seychelles, Mozambique, Botswana, Ghana and Ethiopia, as well as representatives of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and AUDA-NEPAD. During these talks, Vice-Minister Eri requested each country's participation at the upcoming 9th Tokyo International Conference on African Development and reaffirmed the importance of bilateral relations.

On 21 February 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Iwaya Takeshi attended the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting where he reiterated Japan's commitment to strengthening cooperation with Africa through collaboratively addressing challenges through the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) in August.²⁵⁸⁴ By aligning TICAD outcomes with G20 priorities, Japan aims to support and promote Africa's development under "the principles of African 'ownership' and international 'partnership.'"²⁵⁸⁵

On 26 March 2025, JICA signed a loan agreement with the Banque Ouest Africaine de Développement (BOAD).²⁵⁸⁶ The BOAD is a development bank that works to support major infrastructural projects in West Africa and this funding will help the organization continue its long-term financing of projects such as the West Africa Growth Ring Corridor Development Master Plan.

On 29 March 2025, Minister Iwaya met with representatives from the African Diplomatic Corps (ADC) where Minister Iwaya underscored development efforts and reiterated Japan's commitment to facilitating dialogue and partnerships with the African continent.²⁵⁸⁷ Minister Iwaya committed to supporting Agenda 2063 and working "both bilaterally and internationally, including at TICAD."

On 11 April 2025, the Ambassador to the African Union Nakagawa Tsutomu met with Chairperson of the African Union Commission Mahamoud Ali Youssouf.²⁵⁸⁸ They discussed strengthening AU-Japan relations, including deepening bilateral cooperation, Japan's support in peace and security efforts and preparations for the upcoming Ninth Tokyo International Conference on African Development Summit. They agreed to establish a high-level policy dialogue mechanism to align Japan's support with the AU's strategic priorities and identify concrete areas for collaboration.

On 12 June 2025, the Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) attended the African Green Hydrogen Summit hosted by South Africa.²⁵⁸⁹ The summit's key objectives were to discuss industrialization in Africa and promote green hydrogen as the future of energy infrastructure on the continent.

²⁵⁸³ Visit of Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs ERI to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (Results), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 17 February 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_00996.html

²⁵⁸⁴ G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting (Summary), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/ecm/ec/pageite_000001_00826.html

²⁵⁸⁵ Tokyo International Conference on African Development – TICAD, United Nations Development Programme (New York) n.d. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.undp.org/africa/ticad>

²⁵⁸⁶ Loan agreement signed for West Africa Growth Ring Promotion Project, JICA Magazine (Tokyo) 5 July 2025. Access Date: 18 July 2025. https://jicamagazine.jica.go.jp/en/article/?id=202507_6s

²⁵⁸⁷ Meeting between Minister IWAYA Takeshi and Representatives of the African Diplomatic Corps, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 29 March 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/press/release/pressite_000001_01138.html

²⁵⁸⁸ AUC Chairperson received H.E. Mr. Tsutomu Nakagawa, Ambassador of Japan to the African Union, African Union (Addis Ababa) 11 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250411/chairperson-received-he-mr-tsutomu-nakagawa-ambassador-japan-au>

²⁵⁸⁹ JETRO Participates in the Africa Green Hydrogen Summit 2025, JETRO South Africa (Cape Town) 27 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. https://www.jetro.go.jp/southafrica/topics/_541746.html

On 20 August 2025, Japan co-hosted the 9th TICAD conference alongside the AU, UN and UNDP.²⁵⁹⁰ The conference brought together representatives from 49 African countries alongside delegations from numerous other parties across the world to promote development in Africa. At this conference, over 300 cooperation documents were signed.²⁵⁹¹

On 20 August 2025, Prime Minister Ishiba Shigeru announced the creation of a common agenda initiative for Mozambique, Malawi and Zambia called the “Strengthening the Global Supply Chain through Nacala Corridor Development.”²⁵⁹² This initiative aims to promote cross border transportation infrastructure and industrial development in the Nacala Corridor region in cooperation with Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia and various private and public partners.

Japan has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Japan has demonstrated strong support for integrative infrastructure in Africa by providing material support and facilitating multilateral cooperation. Japan has also demonstrated strong support for seamless cross-border integration through its efforts to establish the OSBP Status Report.

Thus, Japan receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Rie Aiyama

Korea: 0

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 27 November 2024, the Ministry of Economy and Finance hosted the “Africa-EDCF Symposium” to facilitate economic cooperation between Korea and 21 African countries.²⁵⁹³ This initiative introduced future partnership plans through the Economic Development Cooperation Fund (EDCF) and presented various cooperation strategies put in place to advance large-scale development projects between Korea and Africa.

On 27 November 2024, Minister for Trade Cheong In-Kyo met with Moroccan Minister Karim Zidane to discuss expanding bilateral cooperation through an Economic Partnership Agreement.²⁵⁹⁴ This partnership would allow Korean firms to participate in projects within Morocco’s technology markets such as the renewable energy sector, boosting opportunities for investment and economic growth in Morocco.

On 5 February 2025, Second Vice Foreign Affairs Minister Kang In-sun participated in the inaugural Korea-Africa dialogue on critical minerals cooperation and expressed Korea’s commitment to “fostering long-term, mutually beneficial partnerships” with African nations.²⁵⁹⁵ This action demonstrates Korea’s intention to

²⁵⁹⁰ The 9th Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD 9) Opening Ceremony and Plenary Session 1 (Peace and Security), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 20 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/af/af1/pageite_000001_01192.html

²⁵⁹¹ Prime Minister ISHIBA’s visit to TICAD Business Expo & Conference and attendance in the signing ceremony, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 21 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/af/af1/pageite_000001_01200.html

²⁵⁹² Launch of the region-wide co-creation for common agenda initiative for Mozambique, Malawi and Zambia: “Strengthening the Global Supply Chain through Nacala Corridor Development”, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 20 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/ic/cap3/pageite_000001_00002.html

²⁵⁹³ Government Enhances EDCF Cooperation with 21 African Nations, Ministry of Economy and Finance (Sejong City) 27 November 2024. Access Date: 2 April 2025.

<https://english.moef.go.kr/pc/selectTbPressCenterDtl.do?boardCd=N0001&seq=6019>

²⁵⁹⁴ Korea and Morocco to make swift push for bilateral EPA, Korea.net (Sejong City) 27 November 2024. Access Date: 2 April 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=7709&type=O&insttCode=A110412>

²⁵⁹⁵ S. Korea vows to build 'mutually beneficial' partnership with Africa in critical minerals, Yonhap News Agency (Seoul) 5 February 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20250205008100315>

further investment and economic cooperation with African countries through bilateral partnerships, particularly in the critical minerals sector and other related fields.

On 5 February 2025, Second Vice Minister Kang had meetings with Tanzania's Deputy Minister of Minerals Steven Kiruswa, South Africa Deputy Minister of Mineral and Petroleum Resources Phumzile Mgcina and Zimbabwe Minister of Mines and Mining Development Winston Chitando during the Korea-Africa dialogue on critical minerals cooperation.²⁵⁹⁶ They discussed the expansion of partnerships reached at the 2024 South Korea-Africa summit. This reflects Korea's commitment to advancing cooperative efforts with Tanzania, South Africa, and Zimbabwe through the discussion of initiatives such as the Mahenge Liandu Graphite Project from the Minerals Security Partnership.²⁵⁹⁷

On 27 February 2025, the Ministry of Economy and Finance held 152nd EDCF Management Committee to discuss the operational direction for the fund's 2025-2027 implementation. The committee planned to approve funding for global development projects for the next three years and will focus on supply chain cooperation through initiatives such as the K-Finance package, an initiative launched in 2024 utilizing collaboration with multilateral development banks to finance large-scale projects in developing countries. The committee also agreed to increase the proportion of funding allocated to large-scale projects in Africa through the K-Finance package scheme.

On 11 March 2025, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs announced the expansion of the International Agriculture Cooperation Project by declaring the First Comprehensive Plan for its 2025-2029 run.²⁵⁹⁸ The project's plan includes developments for the K-Ricebelt project, which aims to provide assistance to approximately 14 African countries in rice farming.²⁵⁹⁹ This undertaking demonstrates Korea's commitment to supporting the advancement of agricultural infrastructure in African countries.²⁶⁰⁰

On 8 April 2025, Minister of Trade, Industry and Energy Dukgeun Ahn met with Moroccan Minister of Industry and Trade Ryad Mezzour to discuss bilateral cooperation initiatives regarding industry and trade.²⁶⁰¹ During the meeting, the ministers discussed launching negotiations for an Economic Partnership Agreement by initiating a trade and investment promotion framework.²⁶⁰² This action seeks to promote mutual economic growth through a partnership leveraging Korea's technology and Morocco's power as a regional hub for industrial trade.²⁶⁰³

On 7 May 2025, the Ministry of the Interior and Safety announced that it sent an 18-member delegation to promote digital government cooperation in Ethiopia and Egypt.²⁶⁰⁴ The delegation sought to share Korea's

²⁵⁹⁶ Vice FM discusses critical minerals cooperation with senior African officials, Yonhap News Agency (Seoul) 6 February 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20250206002400315>

²⁵⁹⁷ Critical minerals talks held with 3 Southern African countries, Korea.net (Sejong City) 7 February 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://www.korea.net/NewsFocus/policies/view?articleId=266106>

²⁵⁹⁸ S. Korea Expands the Scope of Its ODA Project to Benefit 50 or More Countries and Develops 10 or More Partnership Models, Korea.net (Sejong City) 11 March 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=573521&type=N&insttCode=A260109>

²⁵⁹⁹ S. Korea to extend agriculture ODA programs to 50 countries by 2029: ministry, Yonhap News Agency (Seoul) 11 February 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20250211003600320>

²⁶⁰⁰ The K-Ricebelt Project: 3,562 Tonnes of High-yielding Rice Seeds Were Produced in Seven African Countries in 2024, Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (Sejong City) 2 April 2025. Access Date: 6 May 2025. <https://www.mafra.go.kr/bbs/english/25/573778/artclView.do>

²⁶⁰¹ Korea to accelerate industrial cooperation with Morocco, Korea.net (Sejong City) 8 April 2025. Access Date: 7 May 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=7946&type=O&insttCode=>

²⁶⁰² S. Korea, Morocco seek early start of negotiations for economic partnership agreement, Yonhap News Agency (Seoul) 8 April 2025. Access Date: 7 May 2025. <https://en.yna.co.kr/view/AEN20250408002800320>

²⁶⁰³ [Bridge to Africa] Morocco-Korea cooperation essential bridge for global trade, says minister, The Korea Herald (Seoul) 15 April 2025. Access Date: 7 May 2025. <https://www.koreaherald.com/article/10465480>

²⁶⁰⁴ Mission to promote digital gov't cooperation in 2 African states, Korea.net (Sejong City) 7 May 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.korea.net/NewsFocus/Sci-Tech/view?articleId=270915>

expertise on digital governance and engage in discussions supporting the expansion of bilateral cooperation in the sector. This initiative reflects Korea's commitment to strengthening public sector infrastructure for information and communication technology across Africa.

On 27 May 2025, Minister of Foreign Affairs Cho Tae-Yul met with Secretary-General of the AfCFTA Wamkele Keabetswe Mene to discuss efforts to promote economic cooperation between Korea and Africa, as well as support for capacity-building initiatives for the AfCFTA Secretariat.²⁶⁰⁵ The two officials also signed a memorandum of understanding for the newly established ROK-AfCFTA Cooperation Fund, which will put KRW6.5 billion towards projects expanding trade and commercial activity between Korea and Africa.

On 25 September 2025, the Embassy of the Republic of Korea and the Korea-Africa Foundation co-hosted the 2025 Korea-South Africa Future Dialogue featuring government leaders, as well as representatives from academia and industry.²⁶⁰⁶ Both countries aligned in priority goals, developed cooperation networks and reaffirmed their commitment to advancing action in education, technology, health and women's empowerment across the continent.

Korea has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Korea has demonstrated moderate support through a series of bilateral initiatives that promote economic development in Africa through expanding trade and investment in Africa relating to agriculture, digital governance and critical minerals. However, it has not taken strong action to advance having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Korea receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Charlyze Medina

Mexico: -1

Mexico has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 26 May 2025, Deputy Secretary of Foreign Affairs María Teresa Mercado Pérez inaugurated Africa Week, which includes five days of activities to strengthen Mexico's ties with the African continent.²⁶⁰⁷ This initiative demonstrates Mexico's commitment to bilateral, regional and multilateral collaboration with African countries to help realize "an integrated, prosperous and peaceful African continent."

On 4 June 2025, Ambassador of Mexico Alejandro Estivill Castro facilitated a meeting with Chairperson of the African Union Commission Mahamoud Ali to strengthen political dialogue and demonstrate Mexico's commitment to the African continent and its multilateral leadership.²⁶⁰⁸ The conversation enabled the exchange of views on global challenges, the discussion of new opportunities for collaboration between the two jurisdictions and coverage of key issues on the shared agenda. Topics included cooperation in forums such as G20 and opportunities in trade, agriculture, AI and migration.

²⁶⁰⁵ Minister of Foreign Affairs and Secretary-General of AfCFTA Hold Meeting, Korea.net (Sejong City) 27 May 2025. Access Date: 12 July 2025. <https://www.korea.net/Government/Briefing-Room/Press-Releases/view?articleId=322863&type=N&insttCode=A260104>

²⁶⁰⁶ 2025 Korea – South Africa Future Dialogue, Accord (Pretoria) 2 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.accord.org.za/news/2025-korea-south-africa-future-dialogue/#:~:text=In%20education%2C%20technology%2C%20and%20women's,designate%20focal%20points%20for%20implementation.>

²⁶⁰⁷ Mexico Celebrates Africa Week 2025, Gobierno de México (Mexico City) 26 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025.

<https://www.gob.mx/sre/prensa/mexico-celebrates-africa-week-2025-to-strengthen-ties-with-the-african-continent?idiom=en>

²⁶⁰⁸ Mexico and the African Union open a new chapter of strategic cooperation, The Embassy of Mexico in Ethiopia (Addis Ababa) 4 June 2025. Access Date: 16 August 2025. <https://embamex.sre.gob.mx/etiopia/index.php/ver-boletines/34-mex-pcau>

Mexico has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Mexico has taken weak action through Africa Week to advance having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent. However, Mexico has not taken action to advance the component of ensuring the African continent has seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Mexico receives a score of -1 .²⁶⁰⁹

Analyst: Samuel Kamalendran

Russia: 0

Russia has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 29 November 2024, Deputy Prime Minister Alexander Novak discussed enhancing cooperative efforts across multiple sectors and humanitarian programs with Niger's Prime Minister Ali Mahamane Lamine Zeine and President Abdourahamane Tchiani.²⁶¹⁰ This action shows Russia's intention to increase collaborative projects with African countries that yield gains in economic development through infrastructural progress.

On 4 December 2024, Deputy Prime Minister Alexey Overchuk announced the government's plan to launch an investment fund in 2025 for projects in African countries.²⁶¹¹ This initiative aims to support Russian companies that contribute to infrastructural development on the African continent, particularly in the areas of energy, transport, logistics and mineral production.²⁶¹²

On 24 January 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs reaffirmed its commitment to furthering Russian-African relations by reviewing current developmental engagements and intentions for new projects.²⁶¹³ Plans include expanding assistance in education, public health and agriculture. The ministry also reiterated its alignment with the African Union, stating its support for enhancing the AU's influence at multilateral platforms such as the United Nations.

On 30 January 2025, Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Patrushev co-chaired the 12th Session of the Joint Intergovernmental Russian-Algerian Commission with Algeria's Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development Youcef Cherfa.²⁶¹⁴ The meeting focused on cooperative trade efforts in the energy, agriculture, transport and pharmaceutical industries and resulted in adopting bilateral agreements regarding education, science and economics.

On 21 February 2025, Foreign Affairs Minister Sergey Lavrov met with South Africa's Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Ronald Lamola during the G20 Foreign Ministers' Meeting to discuss bilateral

²⁶⁰⁹ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://www.gob.mx/sre/en>, <https://www.banxico.org.mx/>, <https://secihti.mx/>, <https://www.gob.mx/sct>, <https://www.gob.mx/sre>, <https://mexiconewsdaily.com/> and <https://mexicodailypost.com/>.

²⁶¹⁰ Alexander Novak pays a working visit to Niger, The Russian Government (Moscow) 29 November 2024. Access Date: 1 April 2025. <http://government.ru/en/news/53576/>

²⁶¹¹ Russia to start financial support of investment projects in Africa in 2025 — official, TASS Russia News Agency (Moscow) 4 December 2024. Access Date: 2 April 2025. <https://tass.com/economy/1882359>

²⁶¹² Russia to Launch Financial Support for Investment Projects in Africa in 2025, Deputy PM Says, Sputnik Africa (Moscow) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 2 April 2025. <https://en.sputniknews.africa/20241205/russia-to-launch-financial-support-for-investment-projects-in-africa-in-2025-deputy-pm-says-1069550421.html>

²⁶¹³ Foreign Ministry's answers to media questions for Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's news conference on the performance of Russian diplomacy in 2024, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 24 January 2025. Access Date: 1 April 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1992829/

²⁶¹⁴ Dmitry Patrushev holds meeting of Russian-Algerian Intergovernmental Commission, The Russian Government (Moscow) 30 January 2025. Access Date: 1 April 2025. <http://government.ru/en/news/54098/>

relations, focusing on trade.²⁶¹⁵ This action indicates Russia's interest in advancing a cooperative partnership with South Africa on political and economic affairs.

On 6 March 2025, Minister Lavrov met with Zimbabwe's Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Amon Murwira to discuss bilateral relations.²⁶¹⁶ The meeting concerned expanding cooperative initiatives for trade, economic, and investment cooperation in minerals, energy, infrastructure and technology sectors.

On 1 April 2025, Deputy Prime Minister Yury Trutnev met with Namibia's Minister of International Relations and Trade, Selma Ashipala-Musavyi, to discuss bilateral relations and trade.²⁶¹⁷ The discussion highlighted "an almost twofold increase in bilateral trade" due to provisions set up as part of the Intergovernmental Russian Namibian Commission on Trade and Economic Cooperation and resulted in plans for further cooperation.

On 3 April 2025, Minister Lavrov met with a delegation from the Alliance of Sahel States featuring delegations from Mali, Burkina Faso and Niger.²⁶¹⁸ During these talks, Minister Lavrov highlighted the importance of the Alliance as a new multi-lateral organization promoting integration on the African continent. Moreover, he reiterated Russia's commitment to providing the Alliance with all-around assistance and announced plans to continue meeting with them regularly.

On 16 April 2025, Affairs Minister Lavrov met with South Africa's Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Ronald Lamola during the 18th meeting for the Mixed Intergovernmental Committee on Trade and Economic Cooperation.²⁶¹⁹ The officials discussed cooperation in trade and the economy and reaffirmed their mutual commitment to coordinating actions in multilateral forums such as BRICS, the G20 and the United Nations.

On 1 May 2025, Minister Lavrov met with Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation, African Integration and Togolese Abroad of Togo Robert Dussey where Minister Lavrov reiterated Russia's commitment to bolstering bilateral partnerships and strengthening sustainable development in Africa.²⁶²⁰

On 26 May 2025, Minister Lavrov delivered remarks at the reception of Africa Day where he reiterated joint efforts to advance Russia-Africa relations and highlighted the establishment of the Department of Partnership with Africa in the Russian Foreign Ministry to advance economic and social development in the African continent.²⁶²¹

²⁶¹⁵ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with South African Minister of International Relations and Cooperation Ronald Lamola, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 21 February 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/1999155/

²⁶¹⁶ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's talks with Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the Republic of Zimbabwe Amon Murwira, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 6 March 2025. Access Date: 8 May 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2001753/

²⁶¹⁷ Yury Trutnev discussed bilateral projects with Minister of International Relations and Trade of Namibia Selma Ashipala-Musavyi, The Government of Russia (Moscow) 1 April 2025. Access Date: 16 May 2025. <http://government.ru/en/news/54649/>

²⁶¹⁸ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's statement and answer to a media question following a meeting of the foreign ministers of Russia and the Alliance of Sahel States, Moscow, April 3, 2025, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 3 April 2025. Access Date: 13 April 2023. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2006951/

²⁶¹⁹ Press release on Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's meeting with Minister of International Relations and Cooperation of the Republic of South Africa Ronald Lamola, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 16 May 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/news/2009429/

²⁶²⁰ Press release on an exchange of greetings between Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov and Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation, African Integration and Togolese Abroad of the Republic of Togo Robert Dussey on the occasion of the 65th anniversary of diplomatic relations between the two countries, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 1 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/russia_africa/2012931/

²⁶²¹ Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov's remarks at the reception on Africa Day, Moscow, May 26, 2025, The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation (Moscow) 26 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. https://mid.ru/en/foreign_policy/russia_africa/2020041/

On 2 June 2025, Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Chernyshenko announced that Russia will continue supporting international scientific and technical development initiatives through multilateral scientific research projects with key regional associations such as BRICS and the African Union.²⁶²² The minister also stated Russia's intention to provide funding for these cooperative projects, noting that the government has allocated an annual budget of RUB40 billion for this purpose.

Russia has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. While Russia has engaged in bilateral discussions with African countries, affirmed its commitment to the African Union and voiced support for the Alliance of Sahel States, a new regional multi-lateral initiative, it has not taken strong action to advance a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Russia receives a score of 0.

Analyst: CharliZe Medina

Saudi Arabia: -1

Saudi Arabia has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 1 March 2025, Saudi Arabia delivered 330 housing units to Tunisia.²⁶²³ This handover under the Saudi Fund for Development (SFD) underscores the SFD's USD150 million initiative to provide social housing across several regions of Tunisia. These actions promote Agenda 2063 Goal 10: "access to affordable and decent housing" and mark part of a wider commitment from Saudi Arabia to promote housing development in Africa.

On 11 September 2025, the Minister of Industry and Mineral Resources Bandar Alkhorayef participated in the Saudi-South Africa Joint Committee.²⁶²⁴ He expressed Saudi Arabia looked forward to expanding trade and investment relations with South Africa as well as the broader African continent.

Saudi Arabia has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Saudi Arabia has not taken substantive action to promote African economic integration or prominence in global trade. Saudi Arabia has only taken action to improve social housing within one country instead of the African Union as a whole. In addition, it has not taken steps to advance having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, Saudi Arabia receives a score of -1.²⁶²⁵

Analyst: Bryn Walton Williams

²⁶²² Meeting with deputy prime ministers on current issues (Moscow) 2 June 2025. Access Date: 8 July 2025.

<http://government.ru/en/news/55206/>

²⁶²³ Saudi Arabia delivers 330 housing units in Tunisia as part of \$150m development project, Arab News (Riyadh) 1 March 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.arabnews.com/node/2592001/amp>

²⁶²⁴ Saudi Arabia is keen on expanding investments with South Africa: minister, Zawaya (Riyadh) 12 September 2025. Access Date: 2 October 2025. <https://www.zawya.com/en/economy/gcc/saudi-arabia-is-keen-on-expanding-investments-with-south-africa-minister-p7equonn>

²⁶²⁵ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://www.my.gov.sa/en>, <https://www.mofa.gov.sa/ar/Pages/default.aspx>, <https://mep.gov.sa/ar>, <https://www.mof.gov.sa/en/Pages/default.aspx>, <https://www.arabnews.com/> and <https://saudigazette.com.sa/>.

South Africa: +1

South Africa has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 21 November 2024, South Africa in partnership with China, Brazil and the African Union, jointly launched the Initiative on International Cooperation in Open Science.²⁶²⁶ The initiative aims to promote the free flow of science and technology resources among the Global South. With explicit calls to support joint scientific infrastructure and open-access research, it advances the African Union's Agenda 2063 goals of seamless cross-border cooperation and integrative infrastructure, particularly in the digital and research domains.

On 9 December 2024, International Relations Minister Ronald Lamola affirmed that South Africa will use the G20 Presidency to advance Agenda 2063.²⁶²⁷ South Africa aims to achieve this by prioritizing Africa's challenges on the agenda, especially on issues such as development, poverty, food security and high debt burden.

On 12 December 2024, President Cyril Ramaphosa addressed the inaugural South Africa-Angola Business Forum, where he emphasized deeper trade and investment ties between the two countries.²⁶²⁸ President Ramaphosa noted the importance of regional integration through the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and the Southern African Development Community Free Trade Agreement. He urged businesses to address challenges to promote economic growth and sustainable development across the region.

On 1 March 2025, Minister of Finance Enoch Godongwana led the Finance in Common Summit in Cape Town which called for global development institutions to collaborate in addressing development and poverty.²⁶²⁹ Minister Godongwana along with leaders of the African Development Bank urged other G20 members to strengthen financial commitments, especially for Africa's green transition and infrastructure. The summit also introduced Mission 300 which aims to deliver electricity to 300 million Africans by 2030.

On 18 March 2025, Deputy Minister of Trade and Competition Andrew Whitfield highlighted at the G20 Trade and Investment Group Working Session that South Africa will use the G20 presidency as an opportunity to promote African development.²⁶³⁰ South Africa aims to prioritize advocating for African integration through investments in infrastructure, productive sectors and the implementation of the AfCFTA as well as inclusive growth, green industrialization, WTO reform and global trade challenges.

On 29 April 2025, Deputy President Shipokosa Paulus Mashatile spoke at the Think20 Africa High-Level Dialogue.²⁶³¹ He reiterated Africa's commitment to leveraging its G20 presidency to promote African agency in global affairs and achieve key continent-wide priorities for development and industrialization, such as

²⁶²⁶ China launches open science initiative with Brazil, South Africa, African Union, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 12 May 2025.

https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202411/21/content_WS673f3388c6d0868f4e8ed4ab.html

²⁶²⁷ SA will use G20 to look ahead to the African Union's 2063 agenda, says Lamola, International Relations and Cooperation Republic of South Africa (Pretoria) 9 December 2024. Access Date: 26 March 2025. <https://g20.org/news/sa-will-use-g20-to-look-ahead-to-the-african-unions-2063-agenda-says-lamola/>

²⁶²⁸ President Cyril Ramaphosa: South Africa-Angola Business Forum, South African Government (Pretoria) 12 December 2024. Access Date: 26 March 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/president-cyril-ramaphosa-south-africa-angola-business-forum-12-dec-2024>

²⁶²⁹ Finance in Common Summit urges global development finance institutions to harness collective power to address global poverty, African Development Bank (Abidjan) 1 March 2025. Access Date: 26 March 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/finance-common-summit-urges-global-development-finance-institutions-harness-collective-power-address-global-poverty-81383>

²⁶³⁰ G20 Presidency a Great Platform for SA to Champion Africa's Development – Deputy Minister Whitfield, Department of Trade, Industry and Competition (Pretoria) 18 March 2025. Access Date: 27 March 2025. <https://www.thedtic.gov.za/g20-presidency-a-great-platform-for-sa-to-champion-africas-development-deputy-minister-whitfield/?hilite=development>

²⁶³¹ Deputy President Paul Mashatile: T20 Africa High-Level Dialogue, South African Government (Pretoria) 29 April 2025. Access Date: 22 May 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/deputy-president-paul-mashatile-t20-africa-high-level-dialogue-29-apr-2025>

strengthening disaster resilience, fostering debt sustainability, facilitating green energy transition, and harnessing critical minerals for development.

On 12 May 2025, President Ramaphosa attended the Africa CEO Forum in Abidjan, which aimed to strengthen trade and investment relationships across Africa.²⁶³² The South African government strongly supported domestic firms exploring new opportunities in African markets. South Africa's high-level engagement underscored its commitment to advancing Africa's economic integration. Additionally, President Ramaphosa reemphasized South Africa's dedication to fostering inclusive global cooperation, promoting a fair economic recovery and ensuring long-term environmental sustainability.

On 27 May 2025, Water and Sanitation Minister Pemmy Majodina attended the third Pan-African Implementation and Partnership Conference on Water in Zambia.²⁶³³ This demonstrates dedication to multilateral cooperation on improving and governing Africa's water infrastructure.

On 12 June 2025, South Africa adopted a new digital platform to facilitate coordination and implementation of the AfDB's operations at the country level.²⁶³⁴ This action will enable improved collaboration, exchange and information sharing amongst the African Development Bank Group's Regional Member Countries and ensure the overall effective delivery of the organization's development operations in Africa.

On 12 June 2025, the Ministry of Electricity and Energy hosted the African Green Hydrogen Summit to lead Africa's growth, industrialization and development in accordance with Agenda 2063.²⁶³⁵ The summit's key objectives were to discuss how green hydrogen infrastructure could shape the future energy industrialization of Africa. South Africa is leading this effort by engaging with the Southern African Development Community, the AU Commission on Infrastructure and Energy and the Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa to develop shared infrastructure, common regulatory frameworks and regional value chains for continental growth and regional integration.

On 8 July 2025, the Development Bank of Southern Africa and the China Development Bank signed a CNY2.1 billion joint loan for financing projects in Africa.²⁶³⁶ The loan will be used to support infrastructure, energy, information and communication, water and sanitation and manufacturing projects across Africa.

On 1 August 2025, the National Treasury, alongside the African Development Bank Group, co-hosted the inaugural consultative meeting on South Africa's Legacy Initiative to accelerate Cross-Border Infrastructure in

²⁶³² Abidjan, 12-13 May 2025, Africa CEO Forum (Abidjan) n.d. Access Date: 17 May 2025.

<https://www.theafricaceoforum.com/en/shaping-the-future-of-africa/>; We are deepening our trade and investment ties across Africa, South African Government (Pretoria) 12 May 2025. Access Date: 17 May 2025. <https://www.gov.za/blog/we-are-deepening-our-trade-and-investment-ties-across-africa>

²⁶³³ SA participates in water implementation and partnership conference in Lusaka, South African Government News Agency (Johannesburg) 27 May 2024. Access Date: 8 July 2025. <https://www.sanews.gov.za/africa-south-africa/sa-participates-water-implementation-and-partnership-conference-lusaka>

²⁶³⁴ Senior Officials from Regional Member Countries Commit to Strengthening Implementation of African Development Bank Group Operations, African Development Bank Group (Abidjan) 19 June 2025. Access Date: 8 July 2025. <https://www.afdb.org/en/news-and-events/press-releases/senior-officials-regional-member-countries-commit-strengthening-implementation-african-development-bank-group-operations-84736>

²⁶³⁵ Minister Kgosisentsho Ramokgopa: African Green Hydrogen Summit, South African Government (Pretoria) 12 June 2025. Access Date: 10 July 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/speeches/minister-kgosisentsho-ramokgopa-african-green-hydrogen-summit-12-jun-2025>

²⁶³⁶ China, South Africa banks seal first yuan loan deal to boost African development, Global Times (Beijing) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 11 July 2025. <https://www.globaltimes.cn/page/202507/1337984.shtml>

Africa: The Ubuntu Approach.²⁶³⁷ This meeting aims to help countries overcome barriers to managing cross-border infrastructure.

On 13 August 2025, the Department of Water and Sanitation, along with the African Union Commission, the Continental African Water Investment Program, the African Union-African Investment Program (AU-AIP), the High-Level Panel on Water Investments for Africa and the African Union Development Agency, hosted the inaugural two-day Investment Summit in Western Cape.²⁶³⁸ The summit promoted continental water and sanitation projects for future investment and strengthened partnerships amongst public, private and development partners.

On 20 August 2025, President Ramaphosa participated in the 9th Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD) Summit.²⁶³⁹ The summit focuses on three areas of cooperation between Japan and the African Union including realizing a sustainable future, promoting trade and investment and ensuring dignity and human security. As a member of the African Union, South Africa will engage with and work with Japan notably in the areas of infrastructure development to advance Agenda 2063 into its second decade of implementation.

On 25 September 2025, representatives from South Africa participated in the 2025 Korea-South Africa Future Dialogue featuring government leaders, as well as representatives from academia and industry.²⁶⁴⁰ Both countries aligned in priority goals, developed cooperation networks and reaffirmed their commitment to advancing action in education, technology, health and women's empowerment across the continent.

On 7 October 2025, Deputy Minister for Electricity and Energy Samantha Graham-Maré announced the launch of the Africa Energy Efficiency Facility (AfEEF).²⁶⁴¹ AfEEF is an initiative as part of the South Africa G20 presidency which dedicates US\$3 billion to address infrastructural energy inefficiencies across Africa. The partnership that spans across the continent and engages the African Energy Commission and the United Nations Environment Programme aims to improve energy efficiency, create green jobs, conserve energy and reduce emissions.

On 14 October 2025, South Africa participated in the African Circular Economy Alliance (ACEA) 2025 Annual Meeting on “Continental Alignment for Circular Economy Transformation in Africa.”²⁶⁴² ACEA aims to engage governments, regional bodies and stakeholders to harmonize frameworks, align on policies, coordinate action and foster investment into “Africa’s industrial and economic transformation.”²⁶⁴³ Representatives from South Africa participated in a panel discussion on best practices and renewed commitments towards inclusive

²⁶³⁷ Outcome Statement On The African Consultative Meeting On South Africa’s Legacy Initiative To Accelerate Cross Border Infrastructure In Africa The Ubuntu Approach: Moving Forward Together, G20 South Africa 2025 (Pretoria) 1 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://g20.org/g20-media/outcome-statement-on-the-african-consultative-meeting-on-south-african-legacy-initiative-to-accelerate-cross-border-infrastructure-in-africa-the-ubuntu-approach-moving-forward-together/>

²⁶³⁸ Water and Sanitation hosts AU-AIP Africa Water Investment Summit, 13 to 15 Aug, South African Government (Pretoria) 1 August 2025. Access Date: 6 August 2025. <https://www.gov.za/news/media-statements/conferences-summits-seminars-and-workshops/water-and-sanitation-hosts-au-aip>

²⁶³⁹ President Ramaphosa Arrives in Japan to Participate in the 9th Tokyo International Conference on African Development Summit, Presidency Republic of South Africa (Pretoria) 19 August 2025. Access Date: 9 October, 2025. <https://www.thepresidency.gov.za/president-ramaphosa-arrives-japan-participate-9th-tokyo-international-conference-african>

²⁶⁴⁰ 2025 Korea – South Africa Future Dialogue, Accord (Pretoria) 2 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.accord.org.za/news/2025-korea-south-africa-future-dialogue>

²⁶⁴¹ SA’s G20 legacy programme to tackle energy inefficiency in Africa, South African Government News Agency (Pretoria) 7 October, 2025. Access Date: 9 October, 2025. <https://www.sanews.gov.za/south-africa/sas-g20-legacy-programme-tackle-energy-inefficiency-africa>

²⁶⁴² 2025 annual meeting of the Africa Circular Economy Alliance, United Nations Development Programme (Addis Ababa) 13 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.undp.org/africa/events/2025-annual-meeting-africa-circular-economy-alliance>

²⁶⁴³ 2025 ANNUAL MEETING, African Circular Economy Alliance (Addis Ababa) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.aceafrica.org/acea-am25>

circular economy development. Discussions also focused on engaging with different government ministries and stakeholders to advance innovative projects and streamline sustainable transformation.

South Africa has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters the second decade of implementation. South Africa has held meetings and committed to financing projects to advance greater regional integration and infrastructural development. Moreover, South Africa has also participated and hosted dialogue including ACEA meetings constituting strong action towards facilitating seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue and financing.

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Thus, South Africa receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Anahit Hakobyan

Türkiye: 0

Türkiye has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 15 February 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs congratulated the newly elected members of the African Union Commission, particularly the new Chairperson, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Djibouti Mahamoud Ali Youssouf.²⁶⁴⁴ The Ministry also reiterated Türkiye's ongoing commitment to cooperation with the African Union, especially in support of the realization of Agenda 2063.

On 28 February 2025, Türkiye accredited an ambassador as a representative to the Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA), a regional economic community in Africa.²⁶⁴⁵ This enables greater economic cooperation and dialogue with COMESA. The newly appointed Ambassador Hüseyin Barbaros Dicle highlighted Türkiye's commitment to supporting capacity building in the region, advancing regional integration. Türkiye plays the key role of a strategic partner to COMESA in sectors such as agriculture, health and tourism.

On 13 April 2025, Türkiye reaffirmed its commitment to deepening partnership with Africa and supporting initiatives that align with Agenda 2063.²⁶⁴⁶ The Foreign Ministry issued a statement emphasizing the upcoming fourth Türkiye-Africa Partnership Summit in 2026 as an opportunity to strengthen cooperation in key areas such as trade and infrastructure.

On 25 May 2025, Türkiye issued an Africa Day statement reaffirming its commitment to furthering cooperation with Africa.²⁶⁴⁷

²⁶⁴⁴ No: 35, 15 February 2025, Regarding the Election of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Ankara) 15 February 2025. Access Date: 11 April 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.tr/no_-35_-afrika-birligi-komisyon-baskanligi-secimleri-hk.en.mfa

²⁶⁴⁵ News: 02.28.2025, Afronomicslaw ([n.p.]) 28 February 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.afronomicslaw.org/category/news-and-events/news-02282025>

²⁶⁴⁶ Türkiye reaffirms commitment to Africa on 20th anniversary of AU observer status, TRT Global (İstanbul) 13 April 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.trt.global/afrika-english/article/c85914dd9393>

²⁶⁴⁷ No: 113, 25 May 2025, Regarding 25 May Africa Day, Republic of Türkiye Ministry of Global Affairs (İstanbul) 25 May 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. https://www.mfa.gov.tr/no_-113_-25-mayis-afrika-gunu-hk.en.mfa

Türkiye has partially complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Türkiye took moderate actions to support an integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent, such as strengthening infrastructure cooperation with Africa and building relationships with regional economic communities. However, it has not taken strong actions to help Africa become a continent of seamless borders and manage cross-border resources through dialogue, aside from issuing verbal affirmations.

Thus, Türkiye receives a score of 0.

Analyst: Sonia Tao

United Kingdom: +1

The United Kingdom has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 27 January 2025, British International Investment, a government development finance agency, announced a GBP5.3 million deal with UK energy firm MOPO.²⁶⁴⁸ This investment allows MOPO to expand its battery rental operations in the Democratic Republic of Congo, helping to bridge infrastructure gaps and provide vital access to electricity.

On 27 January 2025, Minister for Africa Ray Collins announced GBP8 million in contribution to the African Development Bank's Sustainable Energy Fund for Africa.²⁶⁴⁹ This helps support African partners in ongoing efforts to expand electricity access across the continent.

On 5 March 2025, British International Investment (BII) in conjunction with the Ghana International Bank in a USD50 million trade finance deal to support businesses across seven African countries.²⁶⁵⁰ This initiative aims to provide necessary capital and equipment for small and medium-sized enterprises across Sierra Leone, Liberia, Gambia, Benin, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Tanzania. This deal helps progress the economic aspirations of the African Union on the path to financial independence and self-funding.

On 24 March 2025, UK Export Finance (UKEF) facilitated a GBP12.5 million deal between British firm Dints and the MCA Group's infrastructure and renewable energy operations in Angola.²⁶⁵¹ The deal secures a substantial export opportunity for British suppliers and helps to transform lives in Angola through improving access to critical infrastructure and renewable electricity. The deal helps progress Agenda 2063's vision 72: achieving reliable cost-effective renewable and environmentally friendly energy to African households' business industries and institutions.

²⁶⁴⁸ UK drives green growth by connecting millions to electricity across Africa, British International Investment (London) 27 January 2025. Access Date: 11 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-drives-green-growth-by-connecting-millions-to-electricity-across-africa>

²⁶⁴⁹ UK drives green growth by connecting millions to electricity across Africa, British International Investment (London) 27 January 2025. Access Date: 11 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-drives-green-growth-by-connecting-millions-to-electricity-across-africa>

²⁶⁵⁰ GHIB and BII announce \$50m partnership to boost cross-border trade across Africa's frontier economies, British International Investment (London) 3 March 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.bii.co.uk/en/news-insight/news/ghib-and-bii-announce-50m-partnership-to-boost-cross-border-trade-across-africas-frontier-economies/>

²⁶⁵¹ British exports shine in African infrastructure and renewable energy deal, United Kingdom Export Finance (London) 24 March 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/british-exports-shine-in-african-infrastructure-and-renewable-energy-deal>

On 9 April 2025, Foreign Secretary David Lammy co-hosted the Clean Power for Growth Roundtable in Rome alongside Italian Deputy Prime Minister Antonio Tajani.²⁶⁵² The event aimed to promote international cooperation and supply chains to support clean energy transition, with key focus on the theme of promoting ‘growth and jobs particularly for young people in Africa’. This theme aligns with Agenda 2063 and aims to develop world-class, integrative African infrastructure.

On 15 April 2025, the UK co-hosted a conference alongside the African Union in London to facilitate efforts to end the two-year conflict in Sudan.²⁶⁵³ As well as supporting the African Union in its role as arbiter and its ability to resolve disputes on the continent, the UK pledged to an additional GBP120 million of aid to people impacted by the conflict. Through its collaboration with the African Union in this event, the UK has helped promote the African Union on the global stage.

On 21 May 2025, the UK announced a total of GBP105 million in investments across two projects at the first-ever East Africa Trade and Investment Forum, featuring representatives from Tanzania, Uganda, and Kenya. BII and Standard Chartered Bank pledged GBP100 million in support of a cross-border facility to lower the risks of trade and cross-border business between Tanzania and Kenya. Moreover, BII announced a GBP5 million investment in rolling out electric bicycles and battery infrastructure across Kenya.

On 2 June 2025, the UK published a policy paper outlining a new approach to Africa.²⁶⁵⁴ Developed in consultation with numerous African partners, the report aims to strengthen the UK's relationships with countries across the continent and to improve coordinated efforts toward shared priorities, such as Agenda 2063.

On 2 June 2025, the UK and Morocco announced a series of new trade agreements.²⁶⁵⁵ This expanded cooperation entails a GBP200 million project on maritime infrastructure as well as a GBP150 million project to build a new hospital in Casablanca.

On 1 July 2025, the UK and Kenya signed several new trade and development agreements.²⁶⁵⁶ These measures include support for an urban redevelopment project in Nairobi, enhanced security cooperation to combat human smuggling and strengthen border security and a deeper partnership between UK financial institutions and Nairobi's financial sector.

On 8 September 2025, BII announced USD7.5 million to support mini-grid developers and Nigeria's Distributed Access through Renewable Energy Scale-up (DARES) project. The DARE project aims to improve infrastructure and energy access for 17.5 million Nigerians.²⁶⁵⁷

²⁶⁵² Foreign Secretary David Lammy hosts energy firms and banks to discuss climate change, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (London) 9 April 2025. Access Date: 27 April 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/foreign-secretary-david-lammy-hosts-energy-firms-and-banks-to-discuss-climate-change>

²⁶⁵³ David Lammy addresses Sudan conference as UK pledges £120m aid package, Independent Online (London) 15 April 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/politics/uk-sudan-aid-david-lammy-speech-b2733508.html>

²⁶⁵⁴ The UK's new Approach to Africa: summary of consultation, June 2025, Foreign, Commonwealth, & Development Office (London) 6 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uks-new-approach-to-africa-summary-of-consultation/the-uks-new-approach-to-africa-summary-of-consultation-june-2025>

²⁶⁵⁵ New UK-Moroccan partnerships to grow UK economy, Foreign, Commonwealth, & Development Office (London) 2 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-uk-moroccan-partnerships-to-grow-uk-economy>

²⁶⁵⁶ Jobs boost as UK and Kenya bolster economic and security partnership, Foreign, Commonwealth, & Development Office (London) 1 July 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/jobs-boost-as-uk-and-kenya-bolster-economic-and-security-partnership>

²⁶⁵⁷ British International Investment and Odyssey Launch Facility to Accelerate Mini-Grid Deployment in Nigeria, British International Investment (London), 8 September 2025, Access Date: 2 October 2025, <https://www.bii.co.uk/en/news-insight/news/bii-and-odyssey-launch-facility-to-accelerate-mini-grid-deployment-in-nigeria/>

On 25 September 2025 the United Kingdom and Ghana announced a USD256 million debt relief deal set to unlock major infrastructure projects in Ghana.²⁶⁵⁸ The agreement aims to facilitate greater infrastructure projects within the country, alongside promoting debt sustainability and developing economic growth.

On 7 October 2025, Ambassador to the UN General Assembly Archie Young issued a statement at the UNSC meeting on Cooperation between the UN and the AU in promoting multilateralism, prosperity and good governance across the continent.²⁶⁵⁹

The United Kingdom has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. The UK has taken strong action toward promoting a continent of seamless borders through border focused projects in Tanzania and Kenya. Moreover, it has demonstrated strong support for Africa's world-class integrative infrastructure by investing in key projects across the continent

Thus, the United Kingdom receives a score of +1.

Analyst: Bryn Walton Williams

United States: -1

The United States has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 3 December 2024, the US and Angola co-hosted a Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment Lobito Trans-Africa Corridor Summit where they affirmed commitments to continue developing the Corridor and invest in infrastructure to connect the Atlantic and Indian Oceans and pledged to accelerate the new Zambia-Lobito rail project.²⁶⁶⁰ The successful development of the corridor aims to boost trade and support economic diversification and development on the African continent.

On 5 December 2024, Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo and Angola Minister of Commerce and Industry Rui Miguens de Oliveira signed the Memorandum of Understanding, launching the US-Angola Commercial and Investment Partnership (CIP).²⁶⁶¹ The CIP promotes private-sector-led economic development, specifically in priority sectors, such as agricultural technology and infrastructure.

On 20 January 2025, after being inaugurated President Donald Trump ordered a freeze on all US foreign aid and the effective closure of the United States Agency for International Development.²⁶⁶² This suspension represents a disruption to US programs and development initiatives across Africa.

²⁶⁵⁸ Ghana, UK seal \$256m debt deal to unlock major infrastructure projects, Modern Ghana (Accra), 25 September 2025, Access Date: 3 October 2025, <https://www.modernghana.com/news/1434959/ghana-uk-seal-256m-debt-deal-to-unlock-major.html>

²⁶⁵⁹ The United Kingdom welcomes the sustained cooperation between the AU and the UN: UK statement at the UN Security Council, Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office (New York) 7 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/the-united-kingdom-welcomes-the-sustained-cooperation-between-the-au-and-the-un-uk-statement-at-the-un-security-council>

²⁶⁶⁰ Partnership for Global Infrastructure and Investment in the Lobito Trans-Africa Corridor, The White House (Washington D.C.) 3 December 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://bidenwhitehouse.archives.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2024/12/03/fact-sheet-partnership-for-global-infrastructure-and-investment-in-the-lobito-trans-africa-corridor/>

²⁶⁶¹ U.S. Department of Commerce and Angolan Ministry of Commerce and Industry Strengthen Ties through Commercial and Investment Partnership Memorandum of Understanding, United States Department of Commerce (Washington D.C.) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.commerce.gov/news/press-releases/2024/12/us-department-commerce-and-angolan-ministry-commerce-and-industry>

²⁶⁶² Implementing the President's Executive Order on Reevaluating and Realigning United States Foreign Aid, United States Department of State (Washington D.C.) 26 January 2025. Access Date: 11 April 2025. <https://www.state.gov/implementing-the-presidents-executive-order-on-reevaluating-and-realigning-united-states-foreign-aid/>

On 7 February 2025, President Trump signed an executive order suspending US aid and assistance to South Africa.²⁶⁶³ This includes the halting of aid and assistance programs supporting development, trade and infrastructural improvement in South Africa.

On 19 February 2025, President Trump signed an executive order for the elimination of the United States African Development Foundation.²⁶⁶⁴ The African Development Foundation's mandate involved investing in initiatives to promote development, trade and infrastructural improvement on the continent.

On 5 April 2025, President Donald Trump placed a 10 per cent tariff on all countries.²⁶⁶⁵ This tariff applies to the countries of Africa.

On 25 April 2025, Secretary of State Marco Rubio hosted the Signing of a Declaration of Principles between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and the Government of the Republic of Rwanda to facilitate a pathway to an “integrated economic development in the eastern DRC region.”²⁶⁶⁶ The regional economic integration framework outlines expanded foreign trade and investment from the U.S. government and private sector.²⁶⁶⁷ This initiative does not “support” or facilitate the provision of aid and assistance to the African Union's Agenda 2063 and its trade and economic integration aspirations as the framework prioritizes U.S. commercial interests.

On 14 May 2025, Senior Bureau Official Bureau of African Affairs Troy Fitrell shared remarks on the launch of the Bureau of African Affairs' Commercial Diplomacy Strategy.²⁶⁶⁸ Ambassador Fitrell stated the shift in US engagement with Africa from development assistance to “commercial engagement” done through “expanded trade and private investment, because it is the private sector.” This shift to the private sector undermines longstanding public sector institutions and policies supporting the creation of infrastructure and the management of cross-border resources.

On 29 May 2025, Ambassador Fitrell participated in the Carnegie Africa Program – Fireside Chat on Commercial Diplomacy.²⁶⁶⁹ Ambassador Fitrell shared a shift in the U.S. Department of State's economic engagement with African countries from a development assistance based approach to basing the focus of their diplomatic engagement in “commercial diplomacy.” This shift in policy approach is antithetical to the commitment as it targets institutions and development programmes directly supporting the creation of infrastructure and the management of cross-border resources, ultimately hindering efforts to reach Agenda 2063.

²⁶⁶³ Addressing Egregious Actions of The Republic of South Africa, The White House (Washington D.C.) 7 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/02/addressing-egregious-actions-of-the-republic-of-south-africa/>

²⁶⁶⁴ Commencing the Reduction of the Federal Bureaucracy, The White House (Washington D.C.) 19 February 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/2025/02/commencing-the-reduction-of-the-federal-bureaucracy/>

²⁶⁶⁵ Fact Sheet: President Donald J. Trump Declares National Emergency to Increase our Competitive Edge, Protect our Sovereignty, and Strengthen our National and Economic Security, The White House (Washington D.C.) 2 April 2025. Access Date: 18 May 2025. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/fact-sheets/2025/04/fact-sheet-president-donald-j-trump-declares-national-emergency-to-increase-our-competitive-edge-protect-our-sovereignty-and-strengthen-our-national-and-economic-security/>

²⁶⁶⁶ The United States Hosts Signing of Declaration of Principles Between the Government of the Democratic Republic of the Congo and the Government of Rwanda, United States Department of State (Washington D.C.) 25 April 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/04/the-united-states-hosts-signing-of-declaration-of-principles-between-the-government-of-the-democratic-republic-of-the-congo-and-the-government-of-rwanda/>

²⁶⁶⁷ Declaration of Principles, United States Department of State (Washington D.C.) 25 April 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/bureau-of-african-affairs/2025/04/declaration-of-principles/>

²⁶⁶⁸ Remarks for Launch of Bureau of African Affairs Commercial Diplomacy Strategy, United States Department of State (Washington D.C.) 14 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.state.gov/remarks-for-launch-of-bureau-of-african-affairs-commercial-diplomacy-strategy/>

²⁶⁶⁹ Remarks by for the Carnegie Africa Program – Fireside Chat on Commercial Diplomacy, United Nations Department of State (Washington D.C.) 29 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.state.gov/remarks-by-for-the-carnegie-africa-program-fireside-chat-on-commercial-diplomacy/>

On 22 June 2025, Ambassador Fitrell led a delegation to the 17th US-Africa Business Summit.²⁶⁷⁰ The State Department highlighted the United State's prioritization of "trade over aid" with the delegation aiming to advance commercial diplomacy and secure trade commitments in exchange for investment in Africa. During the conference, USD2.5 billion in deals were announced between the US private sector and African governments. This further underscores the policy shift toward a transactional, private sector-led approach, moving away from one centered on aid and broader development."

On 30 June 2025, Senior Bureau Official for African Affairs Troy Fitrell led the American delegation to 17th U.S.-Africa Business Summit in Angola.²⁶⁷¹ At the summit, American and Africa public and private sector leaders reached a total of USD2.5 billion in trade and business deals across the African continent.

On 9 July 2025, President Donald Trump welcomed the leaders of Gabon, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mauritania and Senegal to the White House.²⁶⁷² During the meeting, he emphasized the US's focus on commercial diplomacy and negotiating deals with African countries to expand access to critical minerals. This further reinforces the shift toward a model of development driven by transactional commercial diplomacy, in contrast to previous approaches centered on equitable aid and development.

The United States has not complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Recent actions stand in direct contradiction to the commitment, such as the closure of development agencies, the effective suspension of aid to Africa and the shift to transactional commercial diplomacy. The US has removed funding to South Africa and imposed a 10% tariff across all African countries, harming development and trade. These reflect actions directly and explicitly antithetical to the goal of having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, the United States receives a score of -1.²⁶⁷³

Analyst: Taabna Zubery

African Union: +1

The African Union has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

²⁶⁷⁰Record-Breaking U.S.-Africa Business Summit Yields \$2.5 Billion in Deals and Commitments, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/06/record-breaking-u-s-africa-business-summit-yields-2-5-billion-in-deals-and-commitments/>

²⁶⁷¹ Record-Breaking U.S.-Africa Business Summit Yields \$2.5 Billion in Deals and Commitments, U.S. Department of State (Washington D.C.) 30 June 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://www.state.gov/releases/office-of-the-spokesperson/2025/06/record-breaking-u-s-africa-business-summit-yields-2-5-billion-in-deals-and-commitments/>

²⁶⁷² Trump Discusses Economic Investment With African Leaders at White House Meeting, The New York Times (New York) 9 July 2025. Access Date: 11 July 2025. <https://www.nytimes.com/2025/07/09/us/politics/trump-african-leaders-china.html?searchResultPosition=4>

²⁶⁷³ This score of non-compliance was determined after consulting the following sources: <https://www.usa.gov/>, <https://bidenwhitehouse.archives.gov/>, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/>, <https://2021-2025.state.gov/press-releases/>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250116154937/https://www.usaid.gov/news-information/press-releases/>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250101021131/https://www.congress.gov/>, <https://web.archive.org/web/20250101061622/http://www.senate.gov/>, <https://www.senate.gov/>, <https://www.house.gov/>, <https://www.usatoday.com/>, <https://www.wsj.com/> and <https://www.msnbc.com/>.

On 21 November 2024, the African Union alongside Brazil, South Africa and China jointly launched the Initiative on International Cooperation in Open Science.²⁶⁷⁴ The initiative aims to promote the free flow of science and technology resources among the Global South. With explicit calls to support joint scientific infrastructure and open-access research, it advances Agenda 2063 and the goal of establishing seamless cross-border cooperation and integrative infrastructure across Africa.

On 11 December 2024, the Economic, Social and Cultural Council (ECOSOCC) held its 2nd Ordinary Session of the 4th Permanent General Assembly in Nairobi, Kenya.²⁶⁷⁵ The session was attended by senior government officials from the Republic of Kenya, high-level AU officials and ECOSOCC representatives, leaders of civil society organizations, regional and international development partners and members of media and stakeholders invested in African development. The session featured elections for the ECOSOCC Standing Committee, discussions on the progress and challenges of civil society engagement and the launch of the Call for Applications for National ECOSOCC Chapters.

On 20 January 2025, AU Commissioner Amani Abou-Zeid participated in the World Economic Forum at Davos, Switzerland.²⁶⁷⁶ Commissioner Abou-Zeid emphasized Africa's role in the global energy transition, clean tech and industrialization, demonstrating Africa's emerging participation in global governance. Key initiatives discussed included the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA), Program Infrastructure Development for Africa, the African Single Electricity Market and strategies for green hydrogen, clean cooking and sustainable aviation fuels.

On 15 February 2025, the AU hosted the 38th AU Summit in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, bringing together heads of state, policymakers and key stakeholders of the AU to address pressing challenges and opportunities for the continent.²⁶⁷⁷ The summit launched the African Union's Theme of the Year 2025: "Justice for Africans and People of African Descent Through Reparations." Discussion areas at the summit included accelerating the implementation of Agenda 2063, prioritizing health and well-being, harnessing Africa's youth, fostering innovation, promoting peace and security and enhancing climate resilience.²⁶⁷⁸

On 25 February 2025, the Pan-African Parliament held a joint session with the Committee on Rural Economy, Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources; the Committee on Gender, Family, Youth and People with Disabilities; and the Committee on Justice and Human Rights.²⁶⁷⁹ The session featured updates on the proposed Pan-African Parliament Model Law on Climate Change and a presentation on the CAADP Strategy and Action Plan (2025-2035). This session strengthened African Union cooperation on climate action, advancing Agenda 2063.

On 4 March 2025, the African Union Institute of Statistics attended the 56th Session of the United Nations Statistics Commission in New York.²⁶⁸⁰ The agenda covered critical topics including national accounts,

²⁶⁷⁴ China launches open science initiative with Brazil, South Africa, African Union, The State Council of the People's Republic of China (Beijing) 21 November 2024. Access Date: 12 May 2025.

https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202411/21/content_WS673f3388c6d0868f4e8ed4ab.html

²⁶⁷⁵ Second Ordinary Session of the Fourth ECOSOCC Permanent General Assembly, African Union Economic Social and Cultural Council (Lusaka) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://ecosocc.au.int/en/news/media-advisories/2024-12-05/second-ordinary-session-fourth-ecosocc-permanent-general-assembly>

²⁶⁷⁶ African Union at the World Economic Forum, African Union (Addis Ababa) 24 January 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://au.int/es/node/44391>

²⁶⁷⁷ 38th AU Summit, African Union (Addis Ababa) 15 February 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://au.int/en/summit/38>

²⁶⁷⁸ 38th Ordinary Session of the Assembly of the AU, African Union (Addis Ababa) 15 February 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://au.int/en/newsevents/20250215/38th-ordinary-session-assembly-au>

²⁶⁷⁹ Joint Meeting of Pan-African Parliament Committees on Legislative and Strategic Issues, African Union Pan-African Parliament (Johannesburg) 25 February 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://pap.au.int/en/news/press-releases/2025-02-25/joint-meeting-pan-african-parliament-committees-legislative-and>

²⁶⁸⁰ STATAFRIC at the Fifty-Sixth Session of the United Nations Statistics Commission: A Unified African Voice for Advancing Statistical Practices, African Union STATAFRIC (Tunis) 4 March 2025. Access Date: 4 April 2025. <https://statafric.au.int/index.php/en/news/press-releases/2025-03-04/statafric-fifty-sixth-session-united-nations-statistics-commission>

population and housing censuses, environmental-economic accounting and climate change statistics. The representatives demonstrated a continent-wide commitment to proactive statistical development by collaborating with key organizations such as the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa and the African Development Bank.

On 19 March 2025, the African Minerals Development Centre, an organ of the African Union, hosted the 3rd African Forum on Mining in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.²⁶⁸¹ The forum reaffirmed the Africa Mining Vision as the continent's framework for mineral resource governance and launched the African Green Mineral Strategy promoting continent-wide green industrialization. Key outcomes included calls for a unified digital geological data platform and the establishment of a High-Level African Critical Minerals Diplomacy. These efforts directly advance Agenda 2063's goals for inclusive economic transformation and regional integration.

On 15 April 2025, the AU convened its 24th Extraordinary Session of the Executive Council in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.²⁶⁸² The session underscored the urgency of African-led solutions in trade, health and peacebuilding, emphasizing the reduction of external dependence by strengthening AfCFTA, promoting intra-African trade and financing Peace Support Operations through domestic resources.

On 21 April 2025, the African Union attended the 2025 Spring Meetings of the World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund in Washington D.C.²⁶⁸³ The AU convened a series of strategic side events, focused on reforming global financial frameworks, mobilizing investments for job creation and sustainable growth, advancing climate finance and debt relief to enhance resilience and strengthening Africa's role in global governance.

On 5 May 2025, the African Union launched the Kampala Comprehensive African Agricultural Development Programme Strategy and Action Plan (2026-2035).²⁶⁸⁴ As part of Agenda 2063, the initiative aims to eliminate hunger and reduce poverty by mobilizing USD100 billion to increase agri-food output by 45 per cent, triple intra-African agricultural trade and cut post-harvest losses by half. The Kampala Declaration envisions integrated, climate-resilient food systems across Africa, emphasizing regional cooperation, private sector engagement and the engagement of youth and women in agricultural transformation.

On 8 May 2025, ECOSOCC, in partnership with the Chinese NGO Network for International Exchange, hosted the inaugural Africa-China People-to-People Dialogue in Lusaka, Zambia.²⁶⁸⁵ The forum brought together civil society organizations, entrepreneurs, and policymakers to advance citizen-led collaboration between the two countries. The Dialogue reaffirmed ECOSOCC's goal of bridging African and Chinese civil societies, building trust, inclusion, and shared solutions in areas like trade, education and policy implementation.

On 21 May 2025, [Minister of External Relations of Angola and Chair of the AU Executive Council Tete António and High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Kaja Kallas participated in the 3rd EU-AU Ministerial Meeting to strengthen partnerships in the areas of peace, security

²⁶⁸¹ African Forum on Mining Calls for Bold Action to Transform the Continent's Mineral Sector, African Union (Addis Ababa) 28 March 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250328/african-forum-mining-calls-bold-action-transform-continents-mineral-sector>

²⁶⁸² The 24th Extra-Ordinary Session of the Executive Council kicks-off in Addis Ababa, African Union (Addis Ababa) 15 April 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250415/24th-extra-ordinary-session-executive-council-kicks-addis-ababa>

²⁶⁸³ The African Union Champions Africa's Economic Priorities at the 2025 World Bank Group and International Monetary Fund Spring Meetings, African Union (Addis Ababa) 16 April 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025.

<https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250416/african-union-champions-africas-economic-priorities-2025-world-bank-group-and>
²⁶⁸⁴ African Union launches the CAADP Strategy and Action Plan 2026-2035 and the CAADP Kampala Declaration, African Union (Addis Ababa) 6 May 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250506/au-launches-caadp-strategy-action-plan-2026-2035-caadp-kampala-declaration>

²⁶⁸⁵ Africa-China People-to-People Dialogue calls for a strengthened and deeper citizen-led partnerships, African Union (Addis Ababa) 12 May 2025. Access Date: 12 May 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250512/africa-china-people-people-dialogue-calls-deeper-citizen-led-partnerships>

and governance; multilateralism; prosperity and people, migration and mobility.²⁶⁸⁶ The Ministers committed to bolstering the EU and AU economies, identifying key areas to strengthen economic integration and cooperation by leveraging the Global Gateway agenda and scaling up sustainable development and investment initiatives in the African continent.²⁶⁸⁷ The Ministers also welcomed progress on the AfCFTA in supporting economic integration and sustainable development of supply chains.

On 17 June 2025, the African Union joined the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, advancing its strategic goal of promoting resilient infrastructure development across the continent.²⁶⁸⁸

On 20 June 2025, Chairman Mahmoud Ali Youssouf attended the Mattei Plan Summit in Rome.²⁶⁸⁹ Discussions centered around coordinating investment and development in the Lobito Corridor. The summit resulted in EUR1.2 billion of new EU-Italy led strategic investments.²⁶⁹⁰

On 23 June 2025, the African Union hosted the Joint Forum on the Intra-ACP Climate Services and Related Applications and the Space for Early Warning in Africa programmes.²⁶⁹¹ This event brings together representatives from 49 African member states to promote climate and weather prediction services as a pillar of resilient infrastructure.

On 13 July 2025, the African Union convened its Seventh Mid-Year Coordination Meeting.²⁶⁹² The meeting focused on multilateral cooperation and coordination to advance development and continental integration.

On 20 August 2025, the African Union signed a three-year renewal of its strategic cooperation agreement with the International Organization for Migration.²⁶⁹³ This cooperation advances border governance, region-wide mobility and the AfCFTA.

On 20 August 2025, the African Union co-hosted the 9th TICAD conference alongside Japan, the UN and the UNDP.²⁶⁹⁴ The conference brought together representatives from 49 African countries alongside delegations

²⁶⁸⁶ 3rd European Union - African Union Ministerial Meeting, 21 May 2025, European Council (Brussels) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/international-ministerial-meetings/2025/05/21/eu-au/>

²⁶⁸⁷ 3rd EU-AU Ministerial Meeting, 21 May 2025 - Joint communique, European Council (Brussels) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/q50bjauc/joint-communique%C3%A9-21052025.pdf>

²⁶⁸⁸ AUC joins the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure, a milestone in global partnerships on resilience building, African Union (Geneva) 17 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250617/auc-joins-coalition-disaster-resilient-infrastructure-milestone-global>

²⁶⁸⁹ AUC Chairperson is in Rome, Italy for the Mattei Plan Summit, African Union (Rome) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250620/auc-chairperson-rome-italy-mattei-plan-summit>

²⁶⁹⁰ Italy-EU summit on Africa strategic investments unveils agreements worth €1.2B, Anadolu Agency (Ankara) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/italy-eu-summit-on-africa-strategic-investments-unveils-agreements-worth-12b/3606104>

²⁶⁹¹ Joint ClimSA & SEWA Forum: Accelerating Access to Climate and Weather Services for Resilient African Economies and Communities, African Union (Windhoek) 19 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250619/joint-climsa-sewa-forum-accelerating-access-climate-and-weather-services>

²⁶⁹² Seventh Mid-Year Coordination Meeting: Heads of State and Government Conclude Significant Discussions on Development and Continental Integration, African Union (Malabo) 15 July 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250715/7mycm-significant-discussions-development-and-continental-integration>

²⁶⁹³ IOM and African Union Renew Strategic Partnership on Migration Governance in Africa, African Union (Tokyo) 20 August 2025. Access Date: 20 October 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20250820/iom-and-african-union-renew-strategic-partnership-migration-governance-africa>

²⁶⁹⁴ The 9th Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD 9) Opening Ceremony and Plenary Session 1 (Peace and Security), Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 20 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025. https://www.mofa.go.jp/af/af1/pageite_000001_01192.html

from numerous other parties across the world to promote development in Africa. At this conference, over 300 cooperation documents were signed.²⁶⁹⁵

On 3 September 2025, representatives from Australia and the African Union (AU) participated in the 23rd Africa Down Under (ADU) conference in Perth to engage in discussions on African mining and energy opportunities.²⁶⁹⁶ The ADU serves as a forum for Africa-Australia business relations.

On 8 September 2025, government representatives from across the AU participated at the Accelerating 2025 hosted by the Canada-Africa Chamber of Business the Africa in Toronto and Hamilton, Canada.²⁶⁹⁷ Participants included CEOs, ministers, academics and other key stakeholders advancing trade and investment between Canadian and African markets.

On 11 September 2025, the AU participated in the India-Africa Seed Summit 2025 featuring government representatives from India and AU countries, academics and business leaders.²⁶⁹⁸ Discussions include opportunities for collaboration on seed sector growth, leveraging AI and digital technologies in seed innovation and plant breeding, public-private partnerships in seed research and innovation, South-South cooperation on food security and fostering India-Africa collaboration on policy and regulation in seed trade.²⁶⁹⁹

On 21 September 2025, President Ursula von der Leyen, Chairperson of the AU Mahmoud Ali Youssouf, President of the EU António Costa and the Secretary-General of the UN António Guterres participated in the 6th trilateral meeting of the AU, EU and UN at the sidelines of the 80th Session of the UNGA.²⁷⁰⁰ Representatives reiterated their support for multilateralism, sustainable development in Africa and the implementation of the Sevilla Commitment to streamline development financing, investments and address debt challenges affecting developing nations.

On 3 October 2025, the AU launched the 2025 Africa Integration Report on the margins of the 8th Session of the Specialized Technical Committee on Finance, Monetary Affairs, Economic Planning and Integration to accelerate the implementation of Agenda 2063.²⁷⁰¹ The report highlights Africa's progress through initiatives such as the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and underscores the need to strengthen governance as the foundation of AfCFTA implementation. The report reaffirms the AU's vision for "building an integrated, prosperous, and peaceful continent, and provides actionable recommendations."

²⁶⁹⁵ Prime Minister ISHIBA's visit to TICAD Business Expo & Conference and attendance in the signing ceremony, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan (Tokyo) 21 August 2025. Access Date: 27 August 2025.

https://www.mofa.go.jp/af/af1/pageite_000001_01200.html

²⁶⁹⁶ Africa Downunder 2025, African Mining (Germiston) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025.

<https://www.africanmining.co.za/events/africa-downunder-2025/>; Preliminary Conference Programme, Africa Down Under (Perth) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.africadownunderconference.com/wp-content/uploads/sites/3/2025/08/Programme-updated-on-22.8-at-4.29pm.pdf>

²⁶⁹⁷ Africa Accelerating 2025, The Canada-Africa Chamber of Business (Toronto) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025.

<https://canadaafrica.ca/blogs/events/africa-accelerating-2025>

²⁶⁹⁸ India-Africa Seed Summit 2025, India-Africa Seed Summit (Hyderabad) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025.

<https://www.seedsummit.icfa.org.in>

²⁶⁹⁹ Events Schedule Plan, India-Africa Seed Summit (Hyderabad) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025.

<https://www.seedsummit.icfa.org.in/agenda>

²⁷⁰⁰ Joint communiqué - sixth trilateral meeting of the African Union, the European Union and the United Nations, New York, 21 September 2025, European Council (Brussels) 21 September 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025.

<https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2025/09/21/joint-communique-sixth-trilateral-meeting-of-the-african-union-the-european-union-and-the-united-nations-new-york-21-september-2025/>

²⁷⁰¹ AU Launches the 2025 Africa Integration Report to Accelerate Agenda 2063 Implementation, African Union (Addis Ababa) 3 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20251003/au-launches-2025-africa-integration-report-accelerate-agenda-2063>

On 14 October 2025, the AU participated in the African Circular Economy Alliance (ACEA) 2025 Annual Meeting on “Continental Alignment for Circular Economy Transformation in Africa.”²⁷⁰² ACEA aims to engage governments, regional bodies and stakeholders to harmonize frameworks, align on policies, coordinate action and foster investment into “Africa’s industrial and economic transformation.”²⁷⁰³

On 22 October 2025, the AU participated in the AU-EU Dialogue on Science Diplomacy to underscore a shared commitment to facilitating dialogue and collaborating on science diplomacy initiatives between the two continents.²⁷⁰⁴

On 28 October 2025, Chairperson of the African Union Commission, Mahmoud Ali Youssouf reaffirmed the African Union’s commitment to infrastructure development at the 3rd Summit on Financing for Infrastructure Development in Africa.²⁷⁰⁵

The African Union has fully complied its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. It has taken strong actions, including holding meetings and summits, to facilitate greater regional integration and development. Overall, the African Union has taken strong action to advance a world-class, integrative infrastructure that spans the African continent and is a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue.

Thus, the African Union receives a score of +1.

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European Union: +1

The European Union has fully complied with its commitment to support the African Union to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation.

On 5 December 2024, the European Investment Bank (EIB) committed USD80 million of equity investment into the Pembani Remgro Infrastructure Fund II.²⁷⁰⁶ This fund is African-led and supports renewable energy, digital infrastructure and transportation projects across sub-Saharan Africa. By working towards bridging Africa’s infrastructure financing gap, this investment supports Agenda 2063’s goals of continent-wide infrastructure and connectivity, promoting sustainable development and economic integration.

On 16 December 2024, the Council of the EU reaffirmed support for the roll out of the African Continental Free Trade Area, highlighting the strategic importance of transport corridors for its success.²⁷⁰⁷ The Council also adopted conclusions to enhance Team Europe’s support for global food security and nutrition, explicitly

²⁷⁰² 2025 annual meeting of the Africa Circular Economy Alliance, United Nations Development Programme (Addis Ababa) 13 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.undp.org/africa/events/2025-annual-meeting-africa-circular-economy-alliance>

²⁷⁰³ 2025 ANNUAL MEETING, African Circular Economy Alliance (Addis Ababa) n.d. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.aceafrica.org/acea-am25>

²⁷⁰⁴ EU Science Diplomacy Alliance participates in first AU–EU Dialogue on Science Diplomacy, European Union Science Diplomacy (Brussels) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.science-diplomacy.eu/news/eu-science-diplomacy-alliance-participates-in-first-au-eu-dialogue-on-science-diplomacy/>

²⁷⁰⁵ AUC Chairperson joined Heads of State & Government in Luanda, Angola, for the 3rd Summit on Financing for Infrastructure Development in Africa, African Union (Luanda) 28 October 2025. Access Date: 30 October 2025. <https://au.int/en/pressreleases/20251028/auc-chairperson-3rd-summit-financing-infrastructure-development>

²⁷⁰⁶ EIB commits USD 80 million to Pembani Remgro Infrastructure Fund II for resilient infrastructure in Africa that creates jobs, European Investment Bank (Luxembourg) 5 December 2024. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2024-490-eib-commits-usd80-million-to-pembani-remgro-infrastructure-fund-ii-for-resilient-infrastructure-in-africa-that-creates-jobs>

²⁷⁰⁷ Council Conclusions on Africa, Council of the European Union (Brussels) 16 December 2024. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://data.consilium.europa.eu/doc/document/ST-16901-2024-INIT/en/pdf>

endorsing the African Union’s “Kampala” framework within the Comprehensive Africa Agriculture Development Programme. These actions align objectives of facilitating more regional trade and economic integration in Africa as well as Agenda 2063’s objectives of eradicating hunger.

On 16 January 2025, the EIB, as part of the Global Gateway strategy, provided a EUR50 million loan to enhance Côte d’Ivoire’s stake in the African Trade and Investment Development Insurance (ATIDI) organization, a pan-African multilateral insurer.²⁷⁰⁸ This financing expands ATIDI’s capacity to accomplish its objectives in expanding trade and investments, promoting economic integration and resilience across the African continent.

On 5 March 2025, the EU signed a EUR20 million African Union Partnership Performance Acceleration Programme to accelerate integrated development and capacity building across Africa.²⁷⁰⁹ The two-year programme focuses on implementing key projects in digital connectivity, energy and economic integration, aligning with the African Union’s Agenda 2063 aspirations for a united and economically integrated continent.

On 10 April 2025, the EIB, under the EU’s Global Gateway strategy, announced a USD100 million investment to expand mobile broadband infrastructure across Madagascar and Tanzania.²⁷¹⁰ The project will double 4G coverage and roll out 5G networks in both countries, improving high-speed connectivity for millions of people and businesses.

On 21 May 2025, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Kaja Kallas and Minister of External Relations of Angola and Chair of the AU Executive Council Tete António participated in the 3rd EU-AU Ministerial Meeting to strengthen partnerships in the areas of peace, security and governance; multilateralism; prosperity and people, migration and mobility.²⁷¹¹ The Ministers committed to bolstering the EU and AU economies, identifying key areas to strengthen economic integration and cooperation by leveraging the Global Gateway agenda and scaling up sustainable development and investment initiatives in the African continent.²⁷¹² The Ministers also welcomed progress on the African Continental Free Trade Area in supporting economic integration and sustainable development of supply chains.

On 18 June 2025, the EU alongside Germany and the Ministry of Health of Malawi jointly launched the “Support to the Public Health Institute of Malawi” project under the Global Gateway platform.²⁷¹³ This package offers EUR4.6 million of funding over four years to strengthen Malawi’s health infrastructure and capability.

²⁷⁰⁸ Global Gateway: Côte d’Ivoire secures EUR 50 million EIB loan with ADITI to support low-carbon transition, sustainable trade and investments, European Investment Bank (Luxembourg) 16 January 2025. Access Date: 29 March 2025. <https://www.eib.org/en/press/all/2025-013-global-gateway-cote-d-ivoire-secures-eur-50-million-eib-loan-with-aditi-to-support-low-carbon-transition-sustainable-trade-and-investments>

²⁷⁰⁹ AU and EU deepen ties with €20 million capacity-building agreement, European Union External Action (Brussels) 5 March 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/node/450353_fr

²⁷¹⁰ Axian Telecom Receives US\$100 Million Investment from EIB Global for Mobile Broadband Network Expansion in Madagascar and Tanzania, Axian Telecom (Antananarivo) 10 April 2025. Access Date: 10 May 2025. <https://www.axian-telecom.com/en/2025/04/10/axian-telecom-receives-us-100-million-investment-from-eib-global-for-mobile-broadband-network-expansion-in-madagascar-and-tanzania>

²⁷¹¹ 3rd European Union - African Union Ministerial Meeting, 21 May 2025, European Council (Brussels) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/meetings/international-ministerial-meetings/2025/05/21/eu-au/>

²⁷¹² 3rd EU-AU Ministerial Meeting, 21 May 2025 - Joint communique, European Council (Brussels) 21 May 2025. Access Date: 20 June 2025. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/media/q50bjauc/joint-communiqu%C3%A9-21052025.pdf>

²⁷¹³ Launch of a New Initiative to Strengthen the Public Health Institute of Malawi, Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Malawi (Lilongwe) 18 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/malawi/launch-new-initiative-strengthen-public-health-institute-malawi_en

On 20 June 2025, President Ursula von der Leyen attended the Mattei Plan Summit in Rome.²⁷¹⁴ Discussions centered around coordinating investment and development in the Lobito Corridor. The summit resulted in EUR1.2 billion of new strategic investments jointly led by the EU and Italy.

On 17 July 2025, AU Commissioner Moses Vilakati and EU Commissioner Jessika Roswall introduced the Continental Circular Economy Action Plan for Africa (2024–2034) to promote circularity, resource efficiency and green economic growth across the African continent.²⁷¹⁵ The initiative, developed with EU co-financing and technical support, aims to reduce waste, create green jobs and promote regional collaboration towards sustainable development.

On 21 September 2025, President Ursula von der Leyen, Chairperson of the AU Mahmoud Ali Youssouf, President of the EU António Costa and the Secretary-General of the UN António Guterres participated in the 6th trilateral meeting of the AU, EU and UN at the sidelines of the 80th Session of the UNGA.²⁷¹⁶ Representatives reiterated their support for multilateralism, sustainable development in Africa and the implementation of the Sevilla Commitment to streamline development financing, investments and address debt challenges affecting developing nations.

On 30 September 2025, EU leaders confirmed an additional EUR545 million in new clean-energy funding for Africa.²⁷¹⁷ This package includes funding to several projects aiming to accelerate cross-border electrification and transmission as well as regional energy trade.

On 22 October 2025, the EU participated in the AU-EU Dialogue on Science Diplomacy to underscore a shared commitment to facilitating dialogue and collaborating on science diplomacy initiatives between the two continents.²⁷¹⁸

The EU has fully complied with its commitment to support the AU to realize the trade and economic integration and aspirations under its Agenda 2063 as it enters its second decade of implementation. Through its initiatives, the EU addressed multiple dimensions of development, including having a world-class, integrative infrastructure that criss-crosses the African continent and be a continent of seamless borders and the management of cross-border resources through dialogue. These measures illustrate the EU's commitment to facilitating Africa's integration and sustainable development goals, as articulated at the G20 Rio de Janeiro Summit.

Thus, the European Union receives a score of +1.

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²⁷¹⁴ Italy-EU summit on Africa strategic investments unveils agreements worth €1.2B, Anadolu Agency (Ankara) 20 June 2025. Access Date: 17 July 2025. <https://www.aa.com.tr/en/europe/italy-eu-summit-on-africa-strategic-investments-unveils-agreements-worth-12b/3606104>

²⁷¹⁵ Launch of African Union's Continental Circular Economy Action Plan (CEAP) for Africa (2024–2034), African Union and European Union (Nairobi) 17 July 2025. Access Date: 14 August 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/african-union%E2%80%99s-continental-circular-economy-action-plan-ceap-africa-2024-2034_en

²⁷¹⁶ Joint communiqué - sixth trilateral meeting of the African Union, the European Union and the United Nations, New York, 21 September 2025, European Council (Brussels) 21 September 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2025/09/21/joint-communiqué-sixth-trilateral-meeting-of-the-african-union-the-european-union-and-the-united-nations-new-york-21-september-2025/>

²⁷¹⁷ European Commission announces €545 million package to scale up renewables in Africa, Delegation of the European Union to the African Union (Addis Ababa) 30 September 2025. Access Date: 14 October 2025. https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/african-union-au/european-commission-announces-%E2%82%AC545-million-package-scale-renewables-africa_en?s=43

²⁷¹⁸ EU Science Diplomacy Alliance participates in first AU–EU Dialogue on Science Diplomacy, European Union Science Diplomacy (Brussels) 22 October 2025. Access Date: 10 November 2025. <https://www.science-diplomacy.eu/news/eu-science-diplomacy-alliance-participates-in-first-au-eu-dialogue-on-science-diplomacy/>