

Pooling Together for Gender Statistics: Financing the Numbers that make Women and Girls Count

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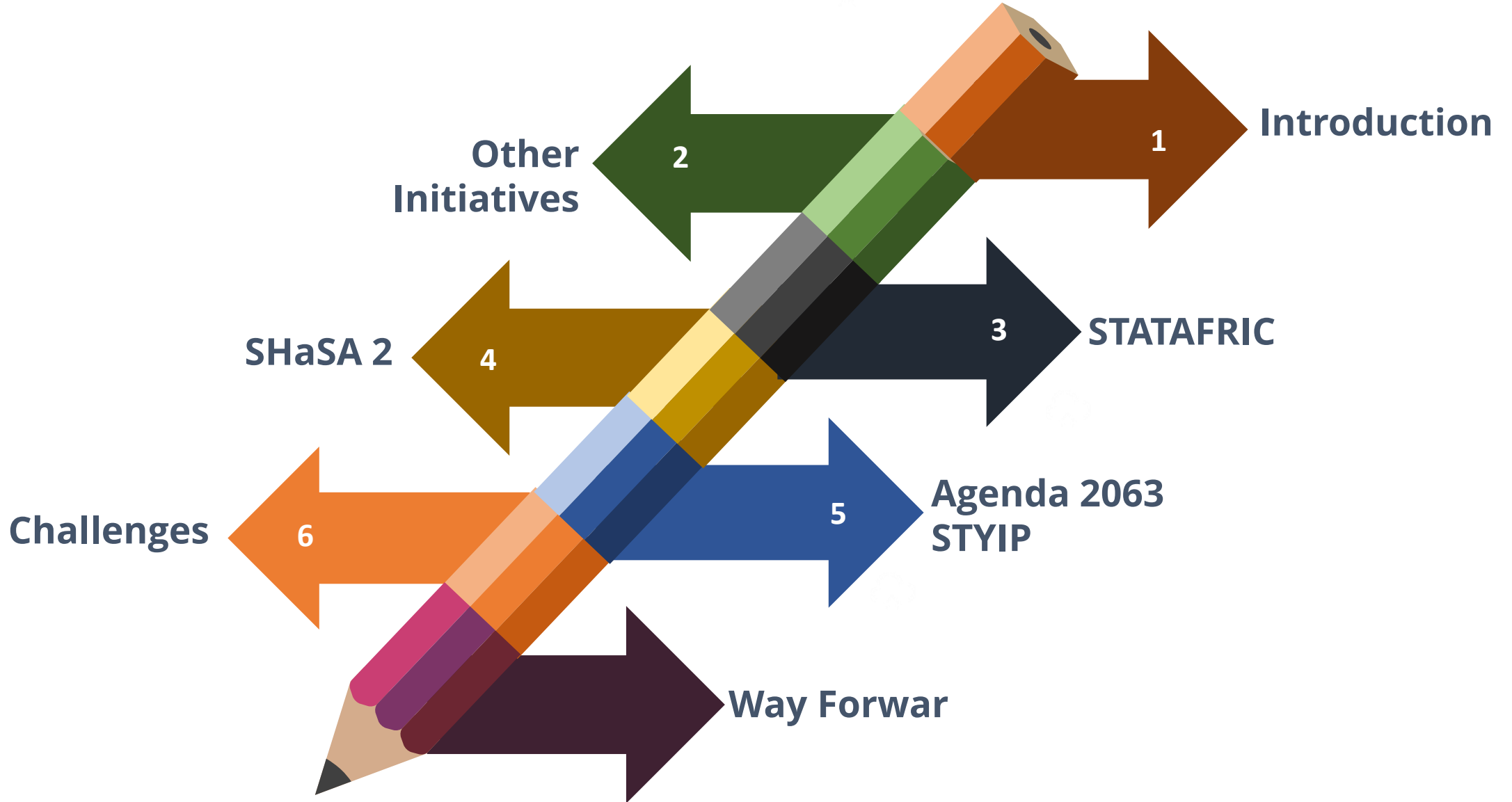
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Presentation Outline





01. INTRODUCTION



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MAPUTO PROTOCOL Article 66 of the African Charter on Human and Peoples Rights

Resolution AHG/Res.240 (XXXI) the recommendation of the African Commission on Human and People Rights Protocol on the Rights of Women in Africa.

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Article 18 of the ACH and Peoples' Rights calls on all States Parties

To eliminate every discrimination against women & to ensure the protection of the rights of women as stipulated in international declarations & conventions

3

The ACH & Peoples Rights recall that women's rights are recognised

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Covenant on Civil & Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social & Cultural Rights, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women

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The ACH reaffirm the principle of promoting gender equality as enshrined

The Constitutive Act of the AU relevant Declarations, Resolutions and Decisions, which underline the commitment of the AU-MSs to ensure the full participation of African women as equal partners in Africa's development

INTRODUCTION (Cont'd)

- The ACH FIRMLY CONVINCED that any practice that hinders or endangers the normal growth and affects the physical and psychological development of women and girls should be condemned and eliminated;
- DETERMINED to ensure that the rights of women are promoted, realized and protected in order to enable them to enjoy fully all their human rights;
- Gender equality and women's empowerment goals are defined priority goals in the new discourse and narrative for Africa's structural transformation and sustainable
- Investing in Gender equality and women's empowerment are recognized as a cost-effective pathway to achieve inclusive and broad-based growth on the continent.
- To corroborate the importance of these twin goals, the Head of States and Government of the AU declared 2015
- The year of Women's empowerment. Concomitantly, they adopted the Agenda 2063 in January 2015, a development framework to achieve that is integrated, peaceful, prosperous, people centered and representing a dynamic force in the global arena.



02. OTHER INITIATIVES



Gender Scorecard

- Collaboration with UN Women and UNECA
- To measure national & Continental progress towards gender equality and womens empowerment



Gender Scorecard

- to amplify the call for the collection, analysis, storage & dissemination of sex and gender disaggregated data to support gender analysis of Policies and Programmes.



Gender Scorecard

- Covers 4 clusters: Violence Against Women & Girls (VAWG), Sexual & Gender-Based Violence (SGBV), Harmful Practices (HP) & Sexual & Reproductive Health & Reproductive Rights.



Minimum set of Indicators

- UN Women, UNECA, AFDB
- Indicators for Agenda 2063 & Agenda 2030



03. STATAFRIC

The African Union Institute for Statistics (AU STATAFRIC),

- Is the AU's Specialized Technical Agency for the development and harmonization of statistics on the continent.

Purpose

- Regulate & coordinate by harmonising the production of statistics

Mandate

- Lead in the provision and promotion of quality statistics, statistical information and good practice in support of the African Integration Agenda.

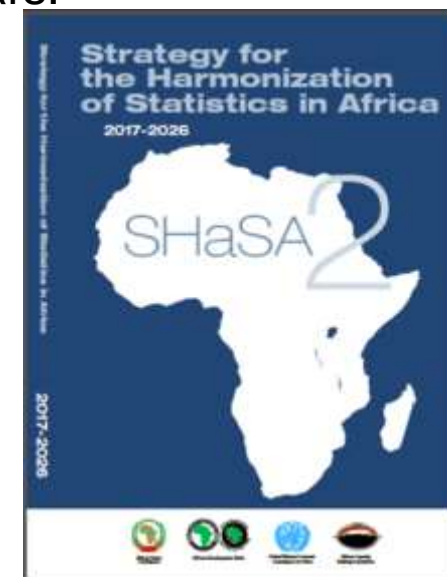


04. SHaSA 2

- ❖ A continental Strategy for the Harmonisation of Statistics in Africa (2017-2026) and beyond (Assembly / Doc. EX.CL/806(XXIV),
- ❖ Adopted in January 2018 for the development of Statistics in Africa for the next 10 years.

Objective

- ❖ To enable the African Statistical System to generate timely, reliable, and harmonized statistical information on the following dimensions of Agenda 2063 and 2030 SDGs:
 - (i) Environmental;
 - (ii) Social;
 - (iii) Economic; and
 - (iv) Cultural and political.
- ❖ SHaSA 2 has **18 Specialized Technical Groups (STGs)** covering all domains of statistics
- ❖ **12 STGs** are already operationalized
- ❖ **Gender Statistics**: is covered under the **STG 8 STG on Social, Demography, Migration, Health, Human Development, Social Protection & Gender**





04. Gender Statistics SHaSA 2

General objective of the Sub – STG SHaSA 2 on Gender Statistics

To discuss and adopt standards and methodologies with the final aim of planning, monitoring and evaluating achievements of the AU Agenda 2063, SDG Agenda 2030 and AU various programs on gender, health, migration, population and poverty measurement in Africa.

And more specifically for **Gender Statistics**, the working group is focusing on how to :

- ✓ Increase the availability of gender statistics in Africa;
- ✓ Improve the quality of gender statistics in Africa;
- ✓ Build the capacity of national statistical offices in Africa to collect and produce gender statistics; and
- ✓ Increase the use of gender statistics by policymakers and decision-makers in Africa.

STATAFRIC produced ToRs for a consultant assignment to support the development of the guidelines on Gender statistics

STATAFRIC has cooperated with UN WOMEN on the assessment Consultation for Gender Statistics in Africa



04. Gender Gaps

Examples of gender gaps

Indicator	Gender Gap at indicator level for Africa Region (%)	
Basic education	96.2	
Youth Literacy	86.8	
Youth in work	90.3	
Participation in business gap	44.3	
Access to credit	73.4	
Asset ownership	22.9	
Top managers in firms	22.9	
Parliamentarians	25.3	
Managers, professionals, technicians	41.4	



04. Sub – STG SHaSA 2's Guidelines on Gender Statistics

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05. Agenda 2063 STYIP

A long-term (50 years) strategic framework for growth and transformation, guiding individual and collective actions to attain the AU Vision

It is a call to action to all sections of African society to work together to build a common future and destiny



05. Agenda 2063 STYIP

Vision – “An integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in the global arena”





05. Agenda 2063 STYIP

- Results** – Integrated, Prosperous and Peaceful
- Drivers** – Citizens (member states – diverse, 60% youth)
- Impact/Evidence of achievement** – Results to the citizens (best performance in quality of life indicators, skills revolution...)
 - a **dynamic force** in the global arena (best performance in the quality of life indicators, **better rankings**, brand, perceptions)
- Measurement** – What is the lens of the global arena, what influences it
- Branding** – What informs the Brand

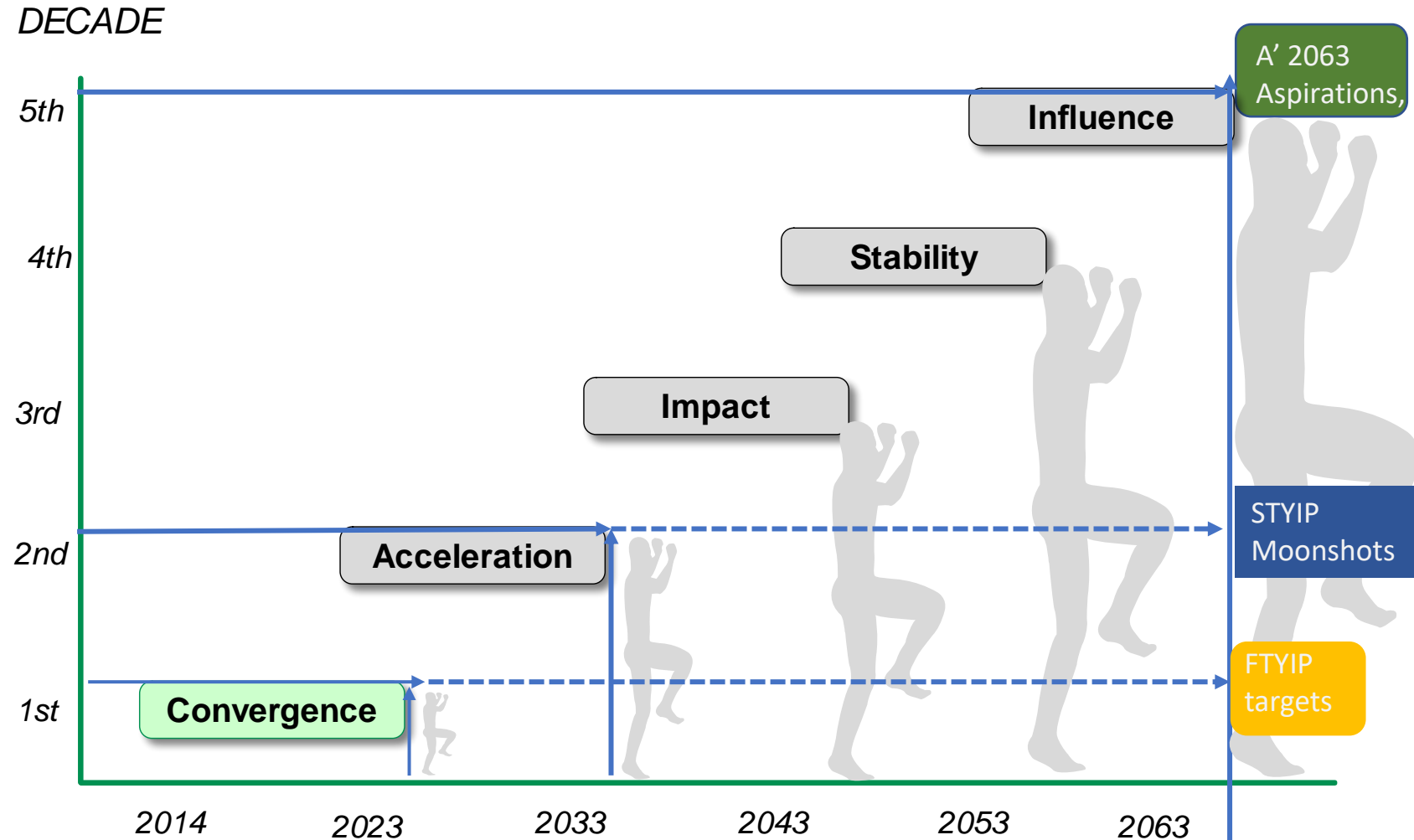


05. Agenda 2063 STYIP – Setting the Context










Africa's Collective 50-Year Ambition

The Africa we want in 2033 is a more integrated, prosperous, and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens, representing a dynamic force in the international arena





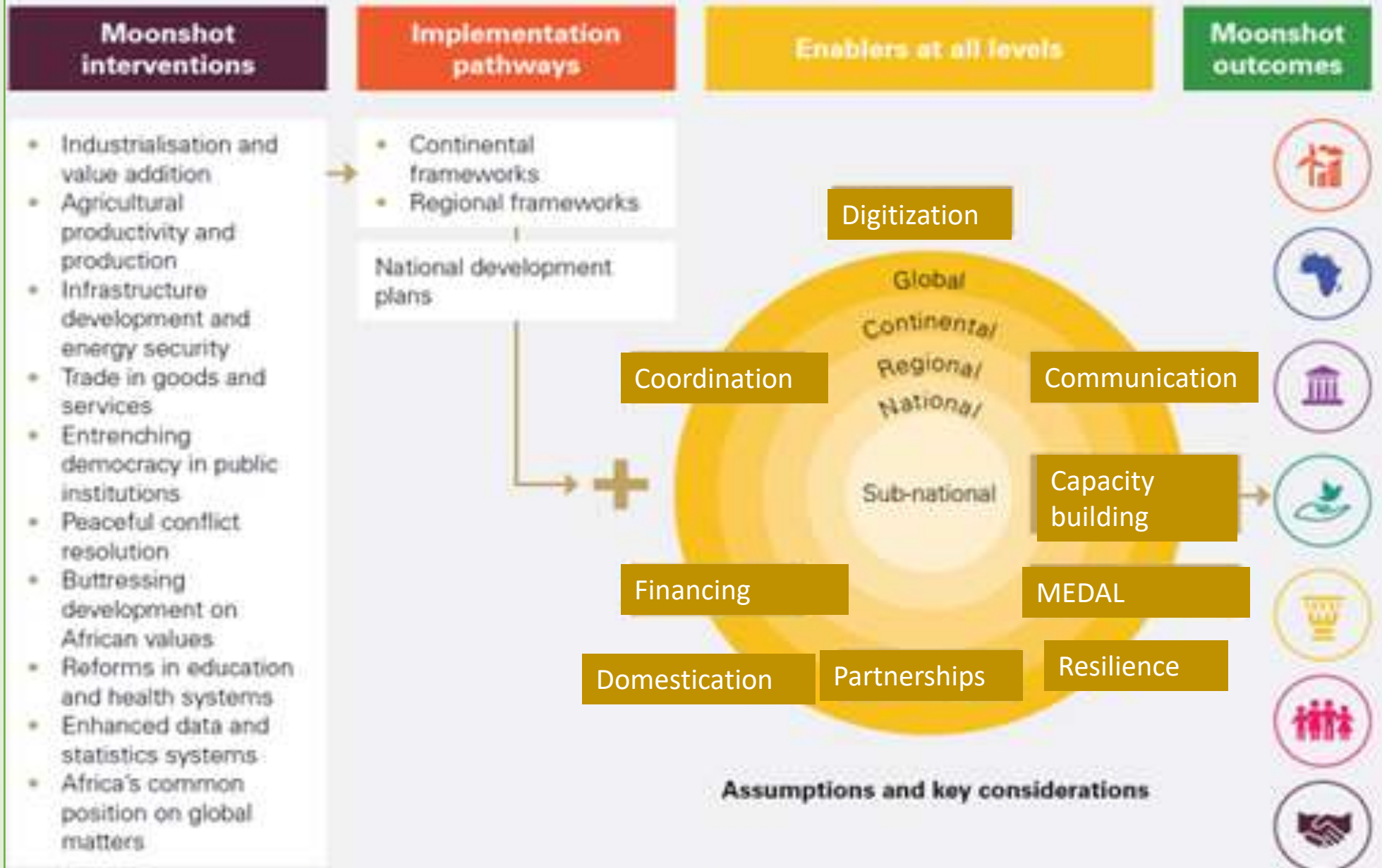
05. Agenda 2063 STYIP – Moonshots (Ambitions)

2063	 Prosperous	 Integrated	 Governance	 Peaceful	 Cultured	 People-driven	 Partnerships
2033	Every AU MS attains at least middle-income status	Africa is more Integrated and Connected	Public Institutions are more Responsive	Africa Resolves Conflicts Amicably	Africa Values are Explicit and Promoted	Africa Citizens are more Empowered and more Productive	Africa is a strong and an influential global player
2023							

Moonshot – A difficult task, the outcome of which is expected to have great significance - it inspires, it is credible & imaginative

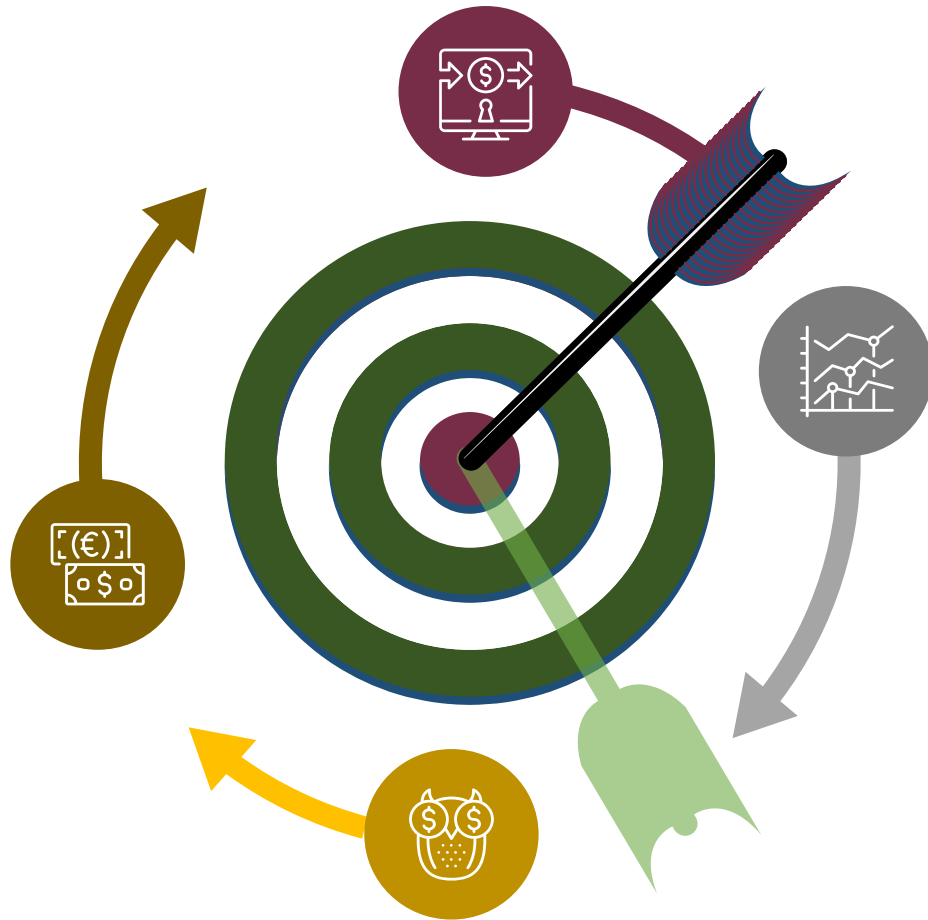
Theory of Change

FIGURE 21 : TOC FOR STYIP OF AGENDA 2063





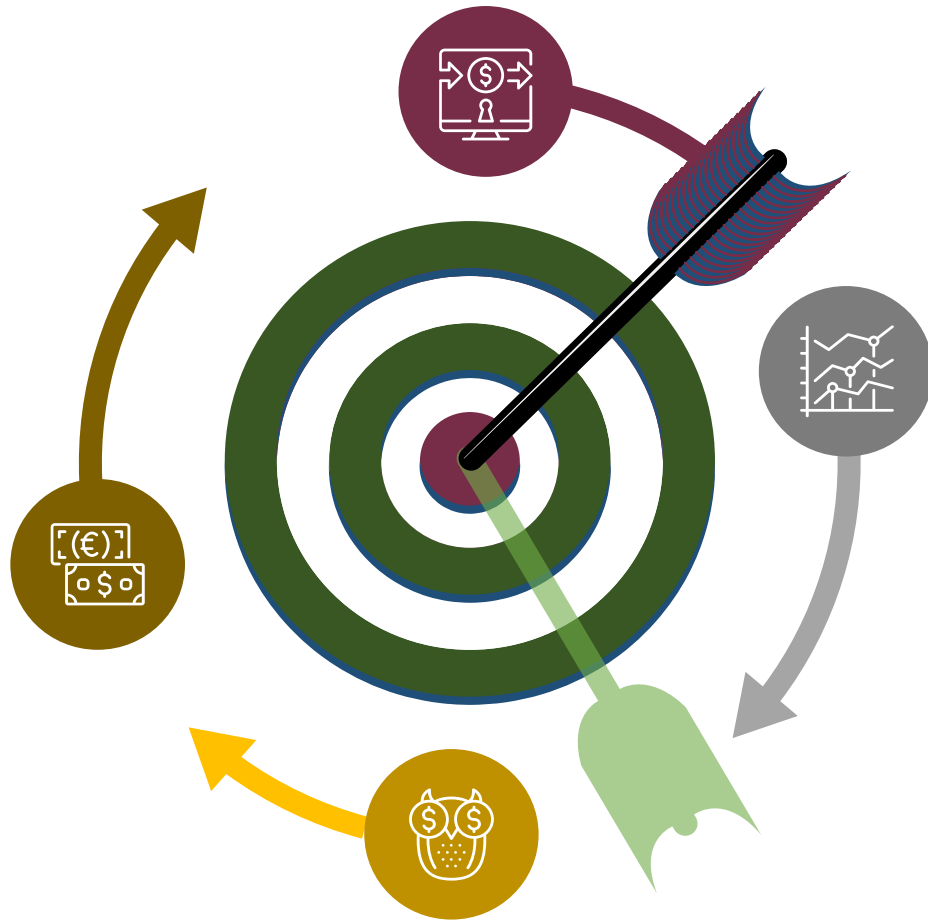
05. Agenda 2063 STYIP – Accelerators



- Coordination and Implementation Arrangements
- Domestication and Citizen Ownership
- Costing and Financing
- Communication and Branding
- Partnerships
- Monitoring, Evaluation, Data Management Accountability and Learning Systems
- Digitization
- Capacity Building
- Resilience



05. Agenda 2063 STYIP – Hinderances



- Climate change issues- droughts, floods
- Unexploited/ unoptimized Resource Potential (tangible & intangible) human – talent, brain drain, minerals, illicit financing,..)
- Costing and Financing
- Peace & Security
- STISA (unoptimized)



05. Agenda 2063 STYIP Gender Indicators

ASPIRATION 6: AN AFRICA WHOSE DEVELOPMENT IS PEOPLE-DRIVEN, RELYING ON THE POTENTIAL OF AFRICAN PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY ITS WOMEN AND YOUTH, AND CARING FOR CHILDREN			
Moonshot 6: African Citizens are more empowered and productive			
Strategic Objectives	Agenda 2033 Targets	Core Indicators	Measurement Responsibility
6.3. Achieve full Gender equality in all spheres.	6.3.1. Increase coverage of nationally appropriate social protection systems by 30%	68. Coverage of national social protection systems	Member States
	6.3.2. All women have rights to own and inherit property, sign contracts, manage business and own a bank account including land;	69. Percentage of AU Member States with legislation for women to own property	Member States
	6.3.3. At least 50% of all elected officials at local, regional, and national levels are women in all AU Member States;	70. Percentage of women among elected officials in political positions at local and national levels	Member States
	6.3.4. At least 50% of management positions in public and 30% private sector are held by women:	71. Percentage of management positions held by women in formal sectors	Member States
	6.3.5. Violence against women and girls is eliminated:	72. Percentage of reported cases of violence against women and girls that have been prosecuted	Member States
	6.3.6. End harmful social norms and customary practices against women and girls such as child marriage and FGM	73. Percent change in girls and women who have undergone female genital mutilation	Member States
74. Percent change in girl-children subjected to child marriage		Member States	



06. Challenges

- ✓ The lack of gender disaggregated data remains a key obstacle for adequate monitoring and evaluation of Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030;
- ✓ Lack of awareness on gender data prioritization at all level;
- ✓ Gender data use across African governments is generally poor due to low political prioritization of gender and limited capacity at national and local levels;
- ✓ Underfunding of gender data production;
- ✓ Weak coordination among different stakeholders.



07. Way Forward

- ❖ Strengthening and improving coordination between the different stakeholders on Sub-Group STG-SHaSA 2 on Gender Statistics to avoid duplication
- ❖ Strengthening existing methodologies of Gender data collection process;
- ❖ Development of capacity of AU member States on the disaggregation by Gender to address data gaps for measurement of Agenda 2063 and 2030 Agenda;
- ❖ Establishment of strong dialogue between gender specialists and data producers to address gender issues;
- ❖ Innovating with new methods and technologies;
- ❖ Mobilization of resources to ensure the technical support and development of capacity on gender statistics to AU Member States.

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Merci!