Cross-Border Infrastructure Delivery Challenges - Lessons from PIDA

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The Context of PIDA

• Adopted African Heads of State and government in 2012
• Priority Action Plan up to 2020
• Long term up to 2040
54 Energy Projects
235 Transport Projects

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9 Water Projects
113 ICT Projects

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PIDA Challenges with CBI

1. Governance and Politics
2. Coordination and Engagement
3. Human Resource and Organisational Capacity
4. Legislation and Regulations
5. Project Finance
6. Project Data and Monitoring
Governance & Politics

• Challenges
  – Leadership and administration changes
  – Changes in priorities

• AU-NEPAD Response
  – PIDA Steering Committee
  – AU-NEPAD-RECs joint planning
  – Presidential Infrastructure Champions Initiative (PICI)
  – Job-Creation Toolkit
Coordination & Engagement

• Challenges
  – Roles and responsibilities
  – Awareness and communication
  – Inter-governmental relations

• AU-NEPAD response
  – SDM to facilitate inter-governmental coordination
    • Inter governmental MOUs
    • PMUs (e.g. ZTK and ZRA), JMC & JTC (Inga III)
Human Resource and Organisational Capacity

• Challenges
  – Skilled human resources
  – Staff turnover
  – Institutional capacity

• AU-NEPAD response
  – PIDA Capacity Building Programme
  – Skills development – PPP training, IS4D
Legislation and Regulations

• **Challenges**
  – Lack of harmonisation
  – Weak regulatory and legislative environment

• **AU-NEPAD Response**
  – Regulatory and Policy Support instrument
    • Advisory services
    • PIDA Model Law on Transboundary Infrastructure Development
Project Finance

• Challenges
  – Lack of capacity & funding for project preparation
  – Lack of finance for transboundary projects
  – Lack of involvement of the private sector

• AU-NEPAD response
  – SDM for early stage project preparation
  – NEPAD IPPF
  – Continental Business Network
    • 5% Agenda (to crowd-in institutional investors)
    • Domestic Resource Mobilisation
    • Credit Enhancement (guarantees)
  – Project packaging and Investor roundtables
Project Data and Monitoring

• Challenges
  – Availability of data for monitoring projects
  – Reporting

• AU-NEPAD response
  – Virtual PIDA Information Center (VPIC)
    http://www.au-pida.org/pida-projects/
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