



# African Development Bank Trade Facilitation

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# Agenda



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# Background

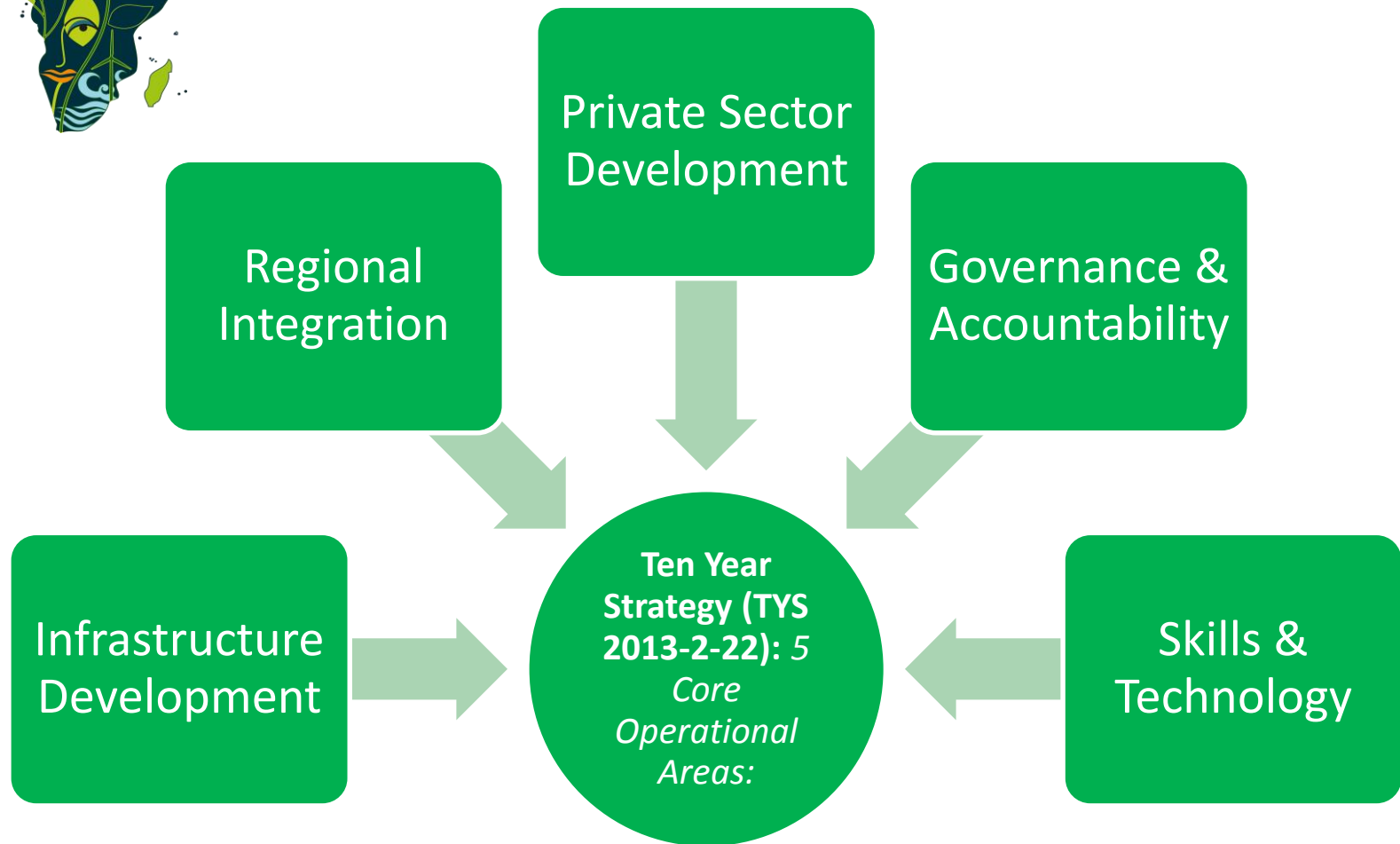


## ▶ Who is AfDB?

- Established to support Africa's efforts towards deepening integration.
- Regional Member Countries, and Non regional Member countries.
- 53 African countries and over 26 non regional Member countries (from all the continents)

## ▶ Regional integration: core mandate of the Bank since its establishment.

# The Bank's Strategic Framework



# Bank's Programming Instruments



## Regional Integration Policy & Strategy (RIPoS 2014-2023):

- Regional Infrastructure
- Trade & Industrial Development
- Cross-cutting issues: capacity building, mainstreaming sustainable development



## Regional Integration Strategy Papers (RISPs)



## Country Strategy Papers (CSPs)

# Our approach to TF

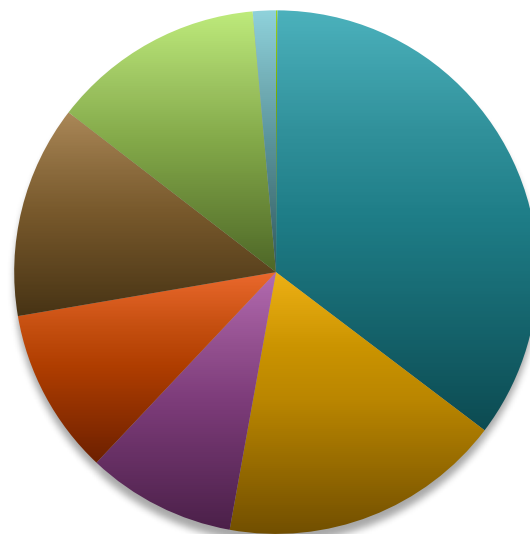


- ▶ Guided by the Bank's regional integration Policy and strategy (RIPOS) adopted by the Bank in September 2015.
- ▶ RIPOS has two pillars:
  - Infrastructure development
  - Trade and industrialisation
- ▶ Capacity building remains key
  - Regional Economic Communities
  - Regional Member Countries
- ▶ Partnerships with other international organisations and development partners.

# Our approach to TF

- ▶ Trade Facilitation at the heart of our regional integration programme.
- ▶ Hard and Soft infrastructure.
- ▶ Working more with the Private Sector.
- ▶ Corridor development (transit management)

# Our portfolio – Bank group approvals by Sector (2013)



■ Finance 8.1%

■ Energy 16%

■ Social 9.4%

■ Multisector 12%

■ Transport 32.2%

■ Water & Sanitation 8.4%

■ Agriculture 12%

■ other 1.3%



# What are we doing



Guidelines for mainstreaming RI in Bank operations.

Developing a Trade and Transport Facilitation Framework.

Corridor development (e.g Lobito corridor, Abidjan–Lagos corridor)

Infrastructure Project Preparation

Support Infrastructure development

Institutional support (includes customs modernisation, reforms etc)

# Our instruments



- ▶ 10% of Regional Operations Window dedicated to soft infrastructure.
- ▶ Infrastructure Project Preparation facility managed by the Bank.
- ▶ Budget support to RMCs
- ▶ Private Sector financing window
- ▶ Trust funds:
  - Africa Trade Fund (AfTra)

# Partnerships



- ▶ We continue to seek partnerships
- ▶ Our comparative advantage is the basis for our collaboration.
- ▶ E.g Transparency in Trade initiative

# The future of SW



- ▶ Implementing reforms and supporting institutions responsible for trade facilitation.
- ▶ Infrastructure remains key to realising conducive SW environment.
- ▶ Vibrant private sector essential for effective SW development and implementation (PPPs).

# The future of SW



- ▶ TF requires participation of both the private sector and regulatory agencies.
- ▶ SW benefits are clear, but more needs to be done to help countries understand what it takes to develop a SW.

# conclusion



The Bank stands ready to work with RMCs, RECs, private sector and the development partners in implementation of ATF.



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