

Toward the 5th Africa-EU Summit

Peace and Security

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Africa's Agenda 2063

Africa aspires to "a peaceful and secure continent".

The objectives of Agenda 2063's first ten year implementation plan include:

- Peace Security and Stability are preserved, with as first priority maintenance and restoration of peace and security.
- A stable and peaceful Africa. This goal includes actions and milestones to implement the pledge taken by African Union (AU) Member States in the 50th Anniversary Declaration to Silence the Guns by 2020.
- A fully functional and operational African Peace and Security Architecture (APSA).

Paul Kagame's report *"The imperative to reinforce our Union"* and Donald Kaberuka's report on *"Securing predictable and sustainable financing for peace in Africa"* are important stepping stones to this process.

Flagships in Support of the EU-Africa Partnership

Establish a cooperation platform bringing together the United Nations, European, African and other international partners

The platform will aim at addressing the full spectrum of threats and crisis triggering factors and building resilience by combining conflict prevention, peacebuilding and development activities bringing together all EU instruments at hand together with African and possibly international partners. It will allow for more regular strategic discussions in view of taking concrete joint actions to address threats and crises in Africa.

Such a platform would bring together the EU and the AU in association with the UN and other international partners, with the objective of forging new multilateral partnerships that would result in greater international support for, and therefore sustainability of, the AU's efforts to ensure peace and security in Africa, including through strengthening the APSA.

Make an initial contribution to the AU Peace Fund provided its governance structure is in place

Donald Kaberuka's report *"Securing predictable and sustainable financing for peace in Africa"* which envisions the implementation of a 0.2% levy on eligible imports on the continent in order to fund the AU's activities, , provides a relevant basis and the EU strongly supports the initiative of a reinvigorated Peace Fund.

The EU could make an initial contribution to activities under the window "mediation and diplomacy" and consider further contributions under a matching scheme, provided effective implementation of the sustainable financing strategy and guarantees regarding the financial management and the governance structure of the fund.

Such an initial contribution should attract further international support and enable progress on the AU's request for UN peacekeeping assessed contributions.

Support African initiatives in the field of maritime security by upgrading maritime awareness strategies, tools and information networks as well as police and judiciary systems

The EU will support the full implementation of the African Integrated Maritime Strategy (AIMS 2050) and of the Lomé Charter, which is crucial to enhance the fight against piracy, people and drugs smuggling, and illegal fishing.

The EU will also go on supporting the development of a regional Maritime Situation Awareness picture and the capacities of coastal States in the Indian Ocean, the Gulf of Guinea and the Mediterranean and will contribute to regional maritime multilateralism identifying areas for cooperation with the AU and partners in the common EU-Africa shared maritime spaces, such as the Union for the Mediterranean, and regional and sub regional organizations in the Indian and Atlantic Oceans.

EU & Africa: Did you know?



Africa remains one of the centres of gravity of EU action in the field of security. Out of 33 completed or ongoing civilian and military EU-led operations, 19 were deployed in Africa and today, 5 out of 6 current EU-led military operations are deployed in Africa. Almost 17,000 military staff and more than 10,000 police officers have been trained by EU missions in Africa since 2010.



Through the African Peace Facility (APF) alone, the EU channeled substantial funding amounting to over EUR 2 billion since 2004. Under the current 11th European Development Fund (EDF), the APF has allocated 961.2 million to Peace Support Operations, 55 million to the operationalization of the APSA and 15 million for Early Response actions.



Under the current 11th EDF, additional EUR 428 million has been allocated to peace and security in the West Africa, Central Africa and Eastern Africa-Southern Africa-Indian Ocean Regional Indicative Programs.



Under the Instrument contributing to Stability and Peace (IcSP), EUR 124 Million has been allocated to conflict prevention, peace-building and security activities in Africa for the period 2014-2020.

