

### Launch of the AUDA-NEPAD Centre of Excellence in Science, Technology and Innovation

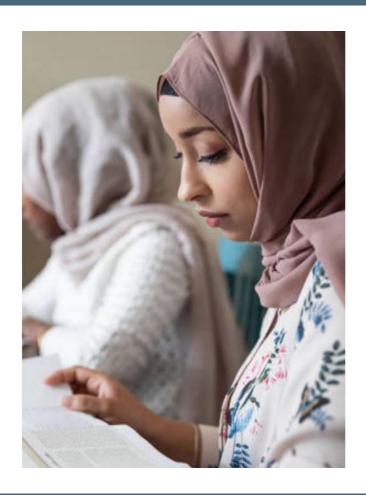
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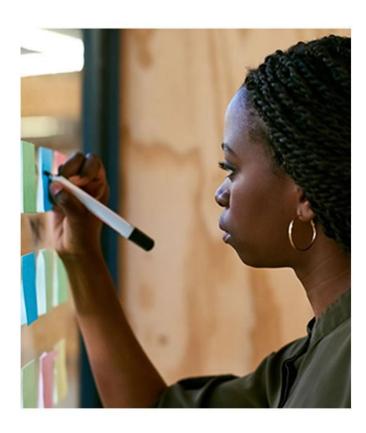












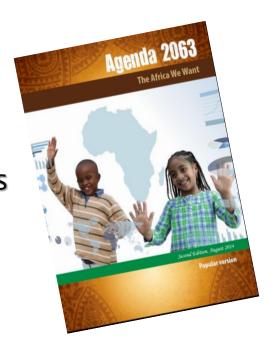
## Background and Scope



#### **AUDA-NEPAD Strategic Priorities**



✓ Guided by the Continent's
 Economic Growth and Inclusive
 Development Priority Ambitions
 – Agenda 2063





✓ AUDA-NEPAD Strategic Priorities

**Economic integration** 

Human capital and institutions

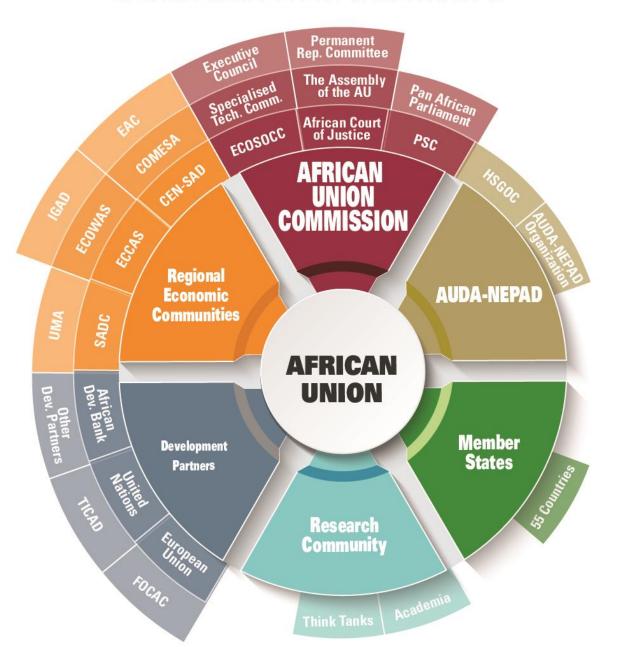
Sustainable energy

Climate Resilience, Environment and Natural Resources Management

Food systems and empowerment of rural communities

Science, Technology and Innovation

#### STAKEHOLDER SCENTRIC



#### **IMPACT & EFFECTIVENESS**





02 SOLUTION MINDSET



ADVICE ORIENTATION



04 STAKEHOLDER INTERFACE



05 BUSINESS PROCESSES



ORGANIZATIONAL LINKAGES AND METRICS



#### **MEMBER STATES PRIORITIES**

#### **HEALTH ~ 74%**

• Reducing maternal, neo-natal and under 5 mortality rates

■ Reducing the incidence of malaria

- ◆ Reducing new HIV infections
- ★ Reducing the incidence of TB
- ▲ Prevalence of underweight among children
- **x** Curbing child labour, child marriage and human trafficking
- Reducing gender-based discrimination and violence
- Increasing access to safe drinking water to the population

#### **INDUSTRIALISATION ~ 52%**

- Increasing Agriculture production and productivity
- Increase Manufacturing value added as % of GDP

#### **EDUCATION ~ 55%**

Increasing pre-school and secondary school enrolment rates

#### DATA, MONITORING & EVALUTION ~ 42%

Strengthening the statistics, monitoring and evaluation systems

#### SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION ~ 10%

Promoting Science, Technology and Innovation

## 52% ~ ECONOMIC INTEGRATION Increasing the contribution of the fisheries sector to the GDP • Job creation and reducing unemployment rates especially among youth

Increasing the contribution of total tax revenue to GDP ◆

Increasing the proportion of resources mobilisation raised through innovative financing mechanisms \* in the national budget

Increasin the contribution of Tourism to the national GDP

#### 3% ~ TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAZATION

Increasing access to the internet •

#### 29% ~ GOVERNANCE

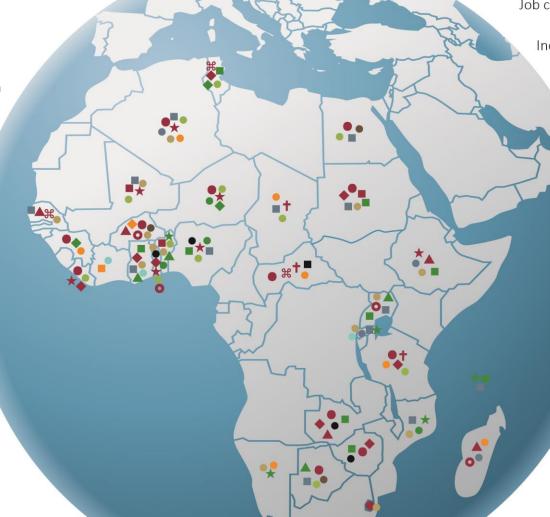
- Strengthening institutions and leadership for enhanced service delivery
- Measures that will enhance the general public's confidence in elections
  - Strengthening anti-corruption and accountability measures

#### 19% ~ INFRASTRUCTURE

- Increasing electricity generation and distribution
  - Increasing infrustructure connectivity

#### 10% ~ TERRESTRIAL AND INLAND WATER

Increasing the percentage of terrestrial and inland water areas presevered



#### **NEPAD Agency Proposed Delivery Model**

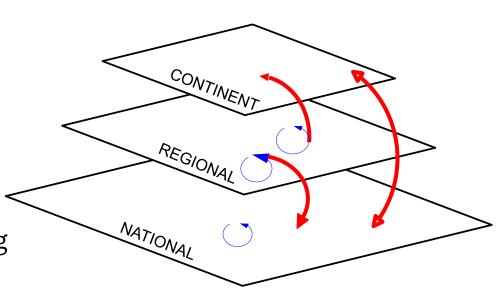
#### a) Guiding Principles of the Delivery Model

- Action is country-level (in partnership)
- Integral component of capacity strengthening (The MEANS just as important as the OUTCOMES)
- Multi-partner and multi-sectoral implementation arrangements
- RECs key and strategic partner
- Integrated catalytic financing
- Connecting and bringing CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL VALUE to bear on NATIONAL ACTION
- Connecting to and leveraging GLOBAL value

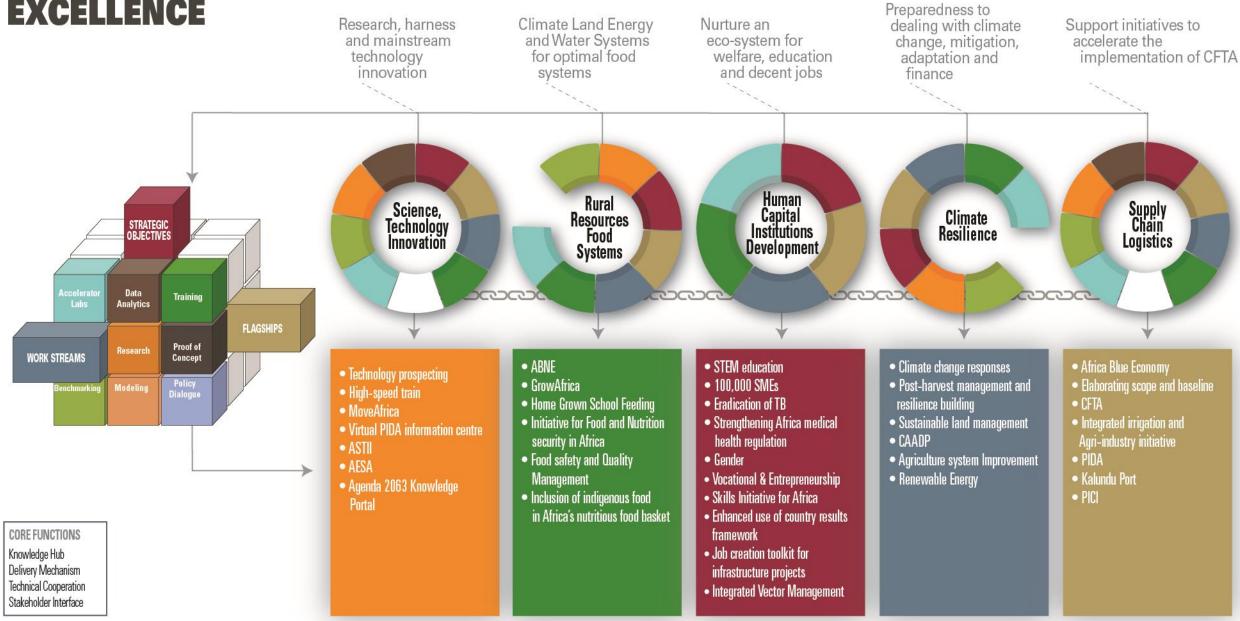
#### b) Implementation of Delivery Model

#### **Delivering at three levels:**

- Continental (facilitation, coordination, expert support, knowledge management, research)
- Regional (harmonisation, deployment of technical and financial support)
- National (technical and financial support, strengthening national capacities)



### CENTRES OF EXCELLENCE



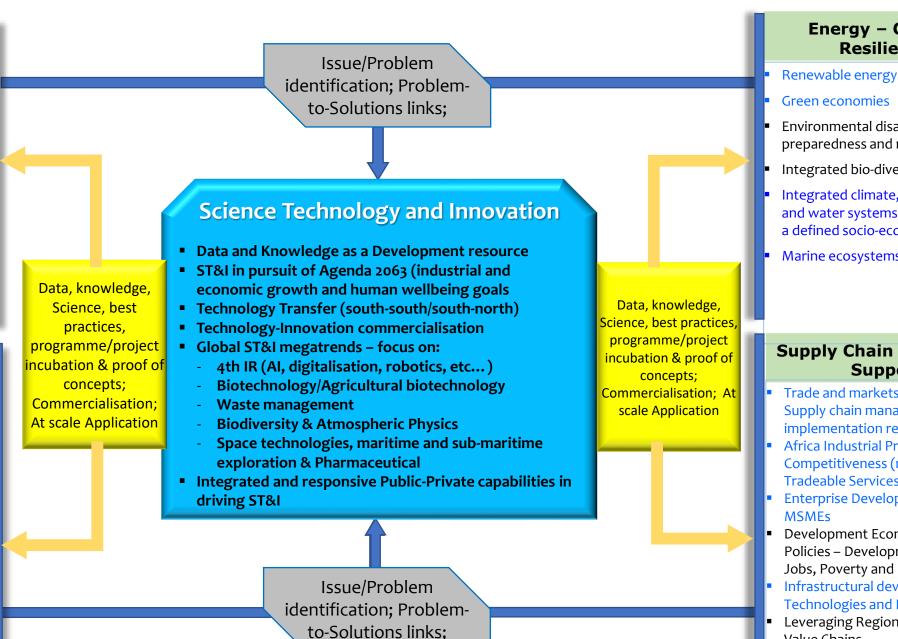
#### **AUDA-NEPAD** Centres of Excellence Programmatic focus & Inter-dependences

#### **Rural Resources and Food Systems**

- **Rural-Urban Transitions**
- African Agriculture as an Industry (as source for national wealth and jobs/entrepreneurship)
- Food systems, Food safety and **Food Security**
- Biotechnology and natural ecosystems
- Land use and Land policy
- Water security
- Marine Ecosystems and Blue Economies

#### **Human Capital and** Institutional **Development**

- Education and Skills development: **Employability and Entrepreneurship**
- Capable Institutions and Organisational development; e-Govt
- Decent livelihoods: Social Protection; Inclusive Access to livelihood needs: Health, Education, Housing; Energy; Water; Communication; etc...
- Gender development and youth empowerment
- Culture, Arts and Sports



#### **Energy - Climate** Resilience

- Environmental disaster risk preparedness and management
- Integrated bio-diversity ecosystems
- Integrated climate, land-use, energy and water systems (CLEWS) within a defined socio-economic context
- Marine ecosystems' resilience

#### **Supply Chain & Logistics** Support

- Trade and markets; Standards, Supply chain management: AfCFTA implementation readiness
- Africa Industrial Productivity and Competitiveness (manufacturing & Tradeable Services)
- Enterprise Development focus on
- **Development Economics and** Policies – Development financing; Jobs, Poverty and Inequality
- Infrastructural development, **Technologies and Institutions**
- Leveraging Regional and Global Value Chains

## The Partnership: AUDA-NEPAD - CSIR - Stellenbosch University

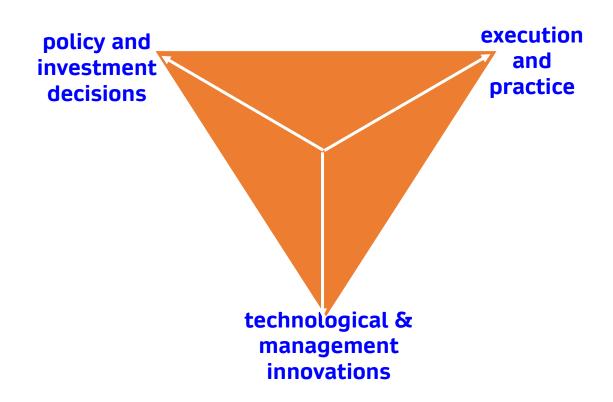


#### The AUDA-NEPAD CoE – STI Partnership

- ✓ Leverage blended R&D, Policy Practice & Execution capability to augment superior economic performance – Improved livelihoods
- ✓ support to accelerated implementation of Agenda 2063 (as domesticated in NDPs)
- ✓ Bringing into Africa's development terrain, worldclass <u>technological and management innovations</u>

Identifying innovations - solutions to specific Agenda 2063 related development priorities

catalyse the commercialisation and scaling-up of these innovations across the continent depending on needs



## Leveraging each other's Capabilities to deliver shared value in support of Agenda 2063 goals Political Mandate and Conduct collections Conduct collections

- √ Research, development and diffusion of transformative technologies
- √ R&D of technological Innovations for for industrial development and economic growth
  - √ Home Grown Science & knowledge/narrative to development planning & execution

CSIR

- ✓ Broker-Mobilise Govt authority & Action
- ✓ Broker: Public-Private-CSO blended Development Action vertical/horizontal linkages
- ✓ Foster trans-national solutions (national-regional-Continent)

**AUDA-NEPAD CoE on ST&I** 

- interdisciplinary research that address the grand challenges of
- ✓ Conduct need driven research connected to human capital development (expertise)
  - Entrepreneurial culture that advances innovation

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#### The AUDA-NEPAD CoE – STI Partnership

#### ... Catalysing accelerated Agenda 2063 Implementation through delivering:

- ✓ Science and Evidence
- ✓ Problem-solving Technological and Management Innovations
- ✓ Strategic information & Data for Informed policy and Investment decisions

#### The AUDA-NEPAD Centre of Excellence on Science, Technology and Innovations

#### **Business Model**

#### 1.1 THE ISSUE: Africa

Development Challenges / Opportunities as outlines in Agenda 2063 and domesticated in NDPs

#### 2.1 PROBLEM-SOLUTION LINKS:

- Analysis to identify & connect Innovations to expressed development challenges / Opportunities
- Determining scalability factors

Identifying value

proposition: Connecting Probler 1-

Solution [Science-Policy-Practice]

#### 3.1 SCAING-UP PROJECT PREPARATION:

- Defining Actionable Interventions and associated delivery means [focus on commercialisation and scaling-up]
- Institutional Project responsibilities [The Base]

#### [3] Defining scaling-up Interventions and brokering

Execution, Monitoring and Learning

#### The foundation

1.2 BASKET OF

**SOLUTIONS:** Home

Grown Solutions -

Innovations being

with Public Financing)

development in local

Institutions (many instances

#### 2.2 PROBLEM-SOLUTION LINKS:

- Identifying participating countries (initial cohort)
- Identifying and brokering engagements with relevant national players (Public, Private, CSO) with GOAL to scale up (Commercialise, Domestication, etc...)

#### **3.2** SCAING-UP PROJECT PREPARATION:

implementation partnerships

and resources (additional)

- Costing of the Interventions / Value to the Projects
- Identify resource requirements & broker Technical & Financing **Partnerships**
- Commercialisation / Cost-Benefit analysis and value-for-money

#### **4.1 EXECUTION & MONITORING PROGRESS-PERFORMANCE:**

Initial scaling-up interventions (in anticipation that after a few years, use – application of the Innovation will essentially self-sustain)

#### **4.2 PROBLEM-SOLUTION LINKS:**

Monitoring and learning framework - feeding into new innovations

### Operationalisation joint Projects on commercialisation and scaling-up Innovations to augment development

#### Stage 5 Commissioning project Stage 4 implementation Project Managers' led project preparation, Stage 3 including: **Engaging the Project** Clarifying Managers: implementation / - To elaborate the delivery model (within specifics of the the CoE and tripartite **Innovations** context) Stage 2 Identify requirements - Activity financing Development of the for scaling up project - Target countries / **AUDA-NEPAD ST&I CoE** Set the roadmap for local participating Business Plan development of the institutions framework for Stage 1 scaling up project - etc... operationalisation of Identify list of ready innovations / solutions programme Agree on standard implementation within template and guidelines along Agenda 2063 a tripartite structure priorities for scaling up projects Mar

## Where do we stand now and where to



#### The Partnership has so far generated:

#### 1. The AUDA-NEPAD CoE STI Business Plan

- ✓ CoE Purpose and Rationale
- ✓ Scope of work and delivery model
- ✓ Operational plan and related resources

#### 2. Initial catalogue of Innovations ready to go for scaling out

- ✓ Reflect the leveraging of local Africa capability in STI
- ✓ Technological and management innovations solutions
- ✓ Direct response to Agenda 2063 development challenges / opportunities

#### 3. Set-up within a globally renowned R&D Ecosystem

- ✓ African Union Regional Office with continental reach
- ✓ Physical location in Stellenbosch
- ✓ Leveraging top class expertise and Partnerships

The Innovations catalogue

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Development Issue addressed	Number of Innovations	Examples
Category 1: Industrialisation and Wealth creation		
☐ Agro-Industry – Competitive Productivity; Viable; Environment; etc	9	<ul><li>Aquaculture – Disease – Husbandry management</li><li>[CSIR – SU]</li></ul>
☐ Industrial Products and Tools for enhanced performance (productivity; viable; resource efficient)	6	<ul> <li>Post-Harvest Virtual Prototyping Platform [SU]</li> </ul>
Category 2: Shared Prosperity and Transformed Livelihoods		
☐ Improved Standards of living – access to livelihood needs (Clean water; Healthcare; energy; etc)	7	<ul> <li>Bio-energy Alternative Sweeteners [SU]</li> <li>Diagnostic and surveillance systems to manage disease outbreaks [CSIR]</li> </ul>
☐ Communication and Access to social-services (public service delivery; social service infrastructure; etc)	2	Modular clinic [CSIR]
Category 3: Human Capital Development and Transformed Institutions		
☐ Training and skills development – Tools, guidelines, Training-learning facilities, etc	3	<ul><li>Text-to-speech (TTS) technology [CSIR]</li></ul>
☐ Institutional effectiveness, efficiency and accountability, Governance	2	<ul><li>Safe and efficient ports [CSIR]</li></ul>
Category 4: Natural Resources management and Environmental Resilience		
☐ Sustainable natural resource management (mitigating pollution and GHG; etc)	2	<ul><li>BioEnergy-Ethanol Processing [SU]</li></ul>
☐ Climate resilience (adaptation-mitigation measures; etc)	2	<ul><li>Renewable Energy: PV Health Monitoring [SU]</li></ul>

# Thank you for your attention