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Scaling up innovative means of implementation for achieving the  
Sustainable Development Goals and Agenda 2063

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## Finance

- ❑ Large Financing needs: US\$600-638 bn.
- ❑ Tax/GDP vs non-tax/GDP : 17% vs 5% still low
- ❑ Remittances - US\$77bn. vs ODA : 47bn.
- ❑ Hindrance vs Opportunities: Public debt, IFF, Corruption vs FDI.Capital-M.International Financing
- ❑ **What are notable progress good practices we can learn?**
- ❑ **Concrete transformative actions to draw increased Investments**

## Technologie

- ❑ STI as enabler and backbone to respond to SD
- ❑ Highest Global Internet access, 80 M Mobil users, E-services, expansion Fintech, Challenges vs Opportunities: R&D expenditure , STEM graduates, yet to harness new wave of technologies – increased technology led innovation
- ❑ Picture: 2%WR outputs, 1.3%WR Spending, 0.2%Pt
- ❑ **What are notable progress good practices we can learn?**
- ❑ **Concrete transformative actions to harness STI potential to accelerate SDGs and Agenda 2063**

## Trade

- International & Intra-African trade engine for inclusive economic growth and poverty reduction
- Multilateral trading system is under threat
- AfCFTA key milestone for SDG and Agenda 2063 goals
- Intra-Africa trade vs total-Africa trade will increase from 16% in 2018 to 50% in 2040
- National AfCFTA policy, strategy and plan**
- Effective removal of tariffs within the continent**
- Are we ready?**

# AfCFTA: State of play

## ▪ Signings/ratifications ; to date:

- 54 out of 55 African Union (AU) member States have signed the Agreement;
- 30 have ratified.



## Statistics

- Growing recognition of the importance of good quality, independent and official statistics
- National statistical plan which lack funding
- Plan for Human and Institutional capacity-building and modernization of national statistical system lack coordination and funding
- What are notable progress good practices we can learn?**
- Concrete transformative actions to build an effective national statistical system that responds to SDGs and Agenda 2063 goals**

## Capacity building

- Most of African countries have developed financing and capacity development strategies
- Many South-South capacity-building initiatives were implemented in 2019.
- In terms of monitoring and benchmarking the SDG many countries in Africa lack the capacity to collect, manage and report on SDG
- What are notable progress good practices we can learn?**
- Concrete transformative actions to build required human and Institutional capacity at all**



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