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**COORDINATION MECHANISM
FOR INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA:
AN UPDATE**

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CONTEXT (1): Objectives

1. Facilitate acceleration of infrastructure development in Africa
2. Clarify the roles of stakeholders cognisant of their respective mandates;
3. Forge a common agenda and platform for the promotion of Africa's infrastructure development
4. Enhance synergies through greater complementarity and collaboration among the key players
5. Eliminate redundancy and avoid duplication among stakeholders.



CONTEXT (2): Principles

- 1. Shared political vision;**
- 2. Solidarity** - *“achieve greater unity and solidarity between African countries and peoples”*;
- 3. Subsidiarity** between AUC, regional and continental institutions working towards the Continent’s development and integration;
- 4. Complementarity** of programmes and actions.



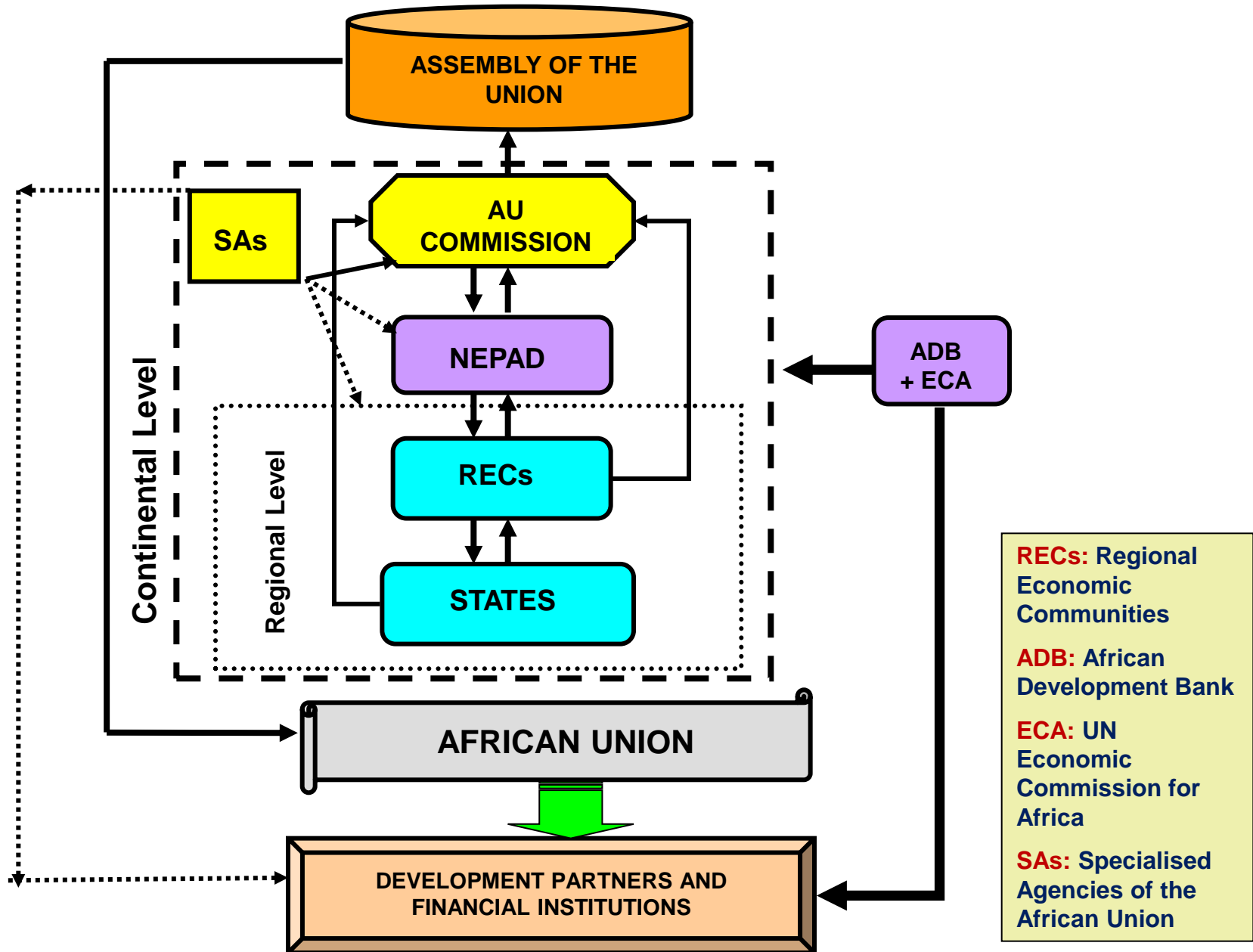
CONTEXT (3): Stakeholders

1. African Union Commission
2. Regional Economic Communities
3. African Development Bank
4. NEPAD Secretariat
5. United Nations Economic Commission for Africa
6. Specialised Agencies
7. Member States of the African Union



CONTEXT (4): Roles

1) Institutions	2) Roles
African Union Commission	Definition of Vision, policy and strategies, coordination, harmonization and advocacy
Regional Economic Communities	Facilitation of implementation of infrastructure projects and programmes
African Development Bank and regional development banks	Mobilization of financial and technical resources for the AUC, RECs and the States
NEPAD Secretariat	Support to the AUC, RECs and States in the implementation of infrastructure development projects and programmes
United Nations Economic commission for Africa	Mobilization of the resources of the United Nations Agencies to support the efforts of the African Union and African organisations
Specialized Agencies	Technical support to the AUC, RECs and States in collaboration with the NEPAD Secretariat in the development and implementation of projects and programmes
Member States	Implementation of infrastructure projects and programmes development





OPERATION OF THE MECHANISM (1)

- Institution of at least an annual stakeholders coordination meeting under the leadership of the African Union Commission;
- Organisation by the Union African Commission of preparatory meetings of the main stakeholders prior to all important events/meetings related to issues of infrastructure development in Africa;
- Involvement of the African Union Commission in the development of policies and programmes of the Regional Economic Communities and vice versa in order to create and strengthen synergy;



OPERATION OF THE MECHANISM (2)

- Involvement of Specialised Agencies in infrastructure development programmes in Africa at all levels;
- Improvement of the communication and exchange of information between actors concerned, horizontally and vertically.



IMPLEMENTATION

- Adoption of the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD)
- Study on the capacity building needs of African organisations supported by the Infrastructure Consortium for Africa;
- Institutional support of the NEPAD-IPPF on strengthening coordination among African stakeholders (regional and continental levels);
- Elaboration of PIDA: (Steering Committee).



WAY FORWARD

- Elaboration of an appropriate institutional framework and rules of procedure and monitoring for multinational and multi-REC project implementation;
- Strengthening of cooperation arrangements with various development partners of Africa: ICA, EU-Africa Infrastructure and Energy Partnerships, etc.

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