

**The First TICAD V Ministerial Meeting (4-5 May 2014)**  
**Plenary 3; Post-2015 Development Agenda**  
**Chair's Summary**

The session on the Post-2015 Development Agenda was co-chaired by Mr. Maged Abdelaziz, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Special Adviser on Africa and Mr. Abdoulaye Mar Dieye, UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Africa. It was opened with introductory presentations by the co-chairs, followed by a panel discussion featuring H.E. Augustine Kpehe Ngafuan, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Liberia, H.E. Mr. Fumio Kishida, Minister of the Foreign Affairs of Japan, and H.E. Dr. Anthony Mothae Maruping, Commissioner for Economic Affairs of the African Union Commission which provided context for the discussion.

Co-chairs as well as panelists highlighted the substantive progress Africa has made in attaining some MDGs while acknowledging the need to further accelerate the progress toward attaining other MDGs before 2015, including poverty reduction, food and nutrition security, and child and maternal health.

Building on the achievements and the experiences of the MDGs, co-chairs and panelists also recalled the progress of the discussion on the Post-2015 development agenda, both at global and regional levels. They welcomed the Common African Position on the Post-2015 Development Agenda adopted by the African Union, lauded as the first of its kind, and emphasized the importance of continued collaboration between Africa, Japan and development partners to ensure that the continent's priorities and concerns are fully reflected in the Post-2015 development agenda. They also emphasized the importance of supporting the finalization and the implementation of Agenda 2063, Africa's long-term, 50-year transformative agenda.

Following presentations by the co-chairs and panelists, participants engaged in discussion of a wide range of issues, shared information, and offered practical suggestions for accelerating progress towards the MDG's achievement in Africa, promoting African positions and perspectives on the post-2015 development agenda, and supporting the finalization and the implementation of AU's Agenda 2063. The following points highlight key issues raised and conclusions reached.

- Acceleration of efforts to attain the MDGs should be a continued priority, especially in those areas which are still lagging behind, including poverty reduction, food and nutrition security, maternal and child health, water and sanitation, etc.
- In addition, new emerging challenges such as improving the quality of public services such as in education and health, food security, demographic changes, environment sustainability, climate change, illicit financial flows, and governance of extractive industries were identified. These challenges coupled with the structural economic transformation agenda of Africa call for deepening partnership including South-South and Triangular cooperation, innovative financing, knowledge, science and technology transfer, good governance and institutional capacities. The Yokohama implementation matrix provides a framework for joint action by Japan and Africa to address the above.
- In this context, human security and people-centered approach should be among the guiding principles of the Post-2015 development agenda
- Strong alignment between the CAP and TICAD V visions and strategies was acknowledged, which provides a good foundation for increased collaboration between Africa, Japan, and development partners in promoting common positions in the Post-2015 discussion.
- To strengthen results orientation, complementarities should be leveraged between TICAD V and other institutional monitoring mechanisms, including those of the United Nations.
- Africa and TICAD partners share many development priorities based upon the notions of structural economic transformation, inclusive growth, sustainability and resilience. As Africa develops its transformative Agenda 2063, TICAD should consider how best to support Africa's implementation of the Post-2015 development agenda and Africa's efforts to move forward towards the finalization and the implementation of Agenda 2063 in line with Africa's long-term development aspirations.

END