

THE CONTINENTAL ARCHITECTURE *(CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES)*

***A PRESENTATION TO THE WHOLE OF AFRICA
MARITIME DIALOGUE, NAMIBIA***

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'If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together'

African Proverb

INTRODUCTION

- ❑ Water covers 2/3 of the world's surface
- ❑ Africa is 2nd biggest continent and the largest Island
- ❑ Africa has an approximate 26000nm of coastline and EEZ
- ❑ 90% of Africa's international trade is carried by sea
- ❑ Africa's indigenous owned ships account 1.2% of world shipping and 0.9% of world gross tonnage

INTRODUCTION cont'd

- ❑ 46% of Africa lives in abject poverty and rising
- ❑ AMD was increasingly under intense pressure through criminality and environmental degradation
- ❑ AU saw need to develop integrated maritime strategy to harness vast growth potential of AMD
- ❑ Decision of 13th AU ordinary session of 2009
- ❑ Inclusive process with the document adoption in 2014

AIM

To apprise the distinguished participants on the Continental Architecture, challenges and opportunities

SCOPE

- Background
- 2050 AIM strategy
- The Goals of the strategy
- Strategic challenges
- Strategic Opportunities
- Conclusion

2050 AIMS STRATEGY

What is it ?

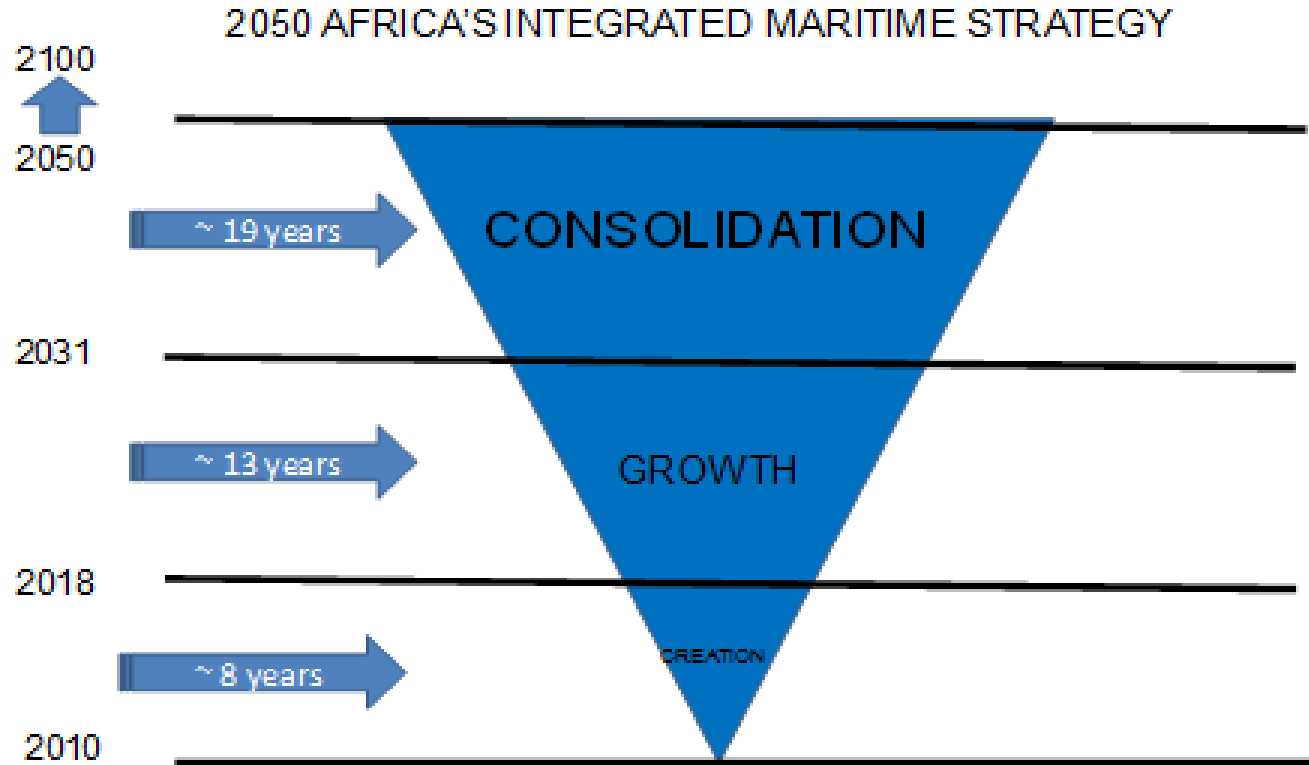
- A tool to address Africa's maritime challenges for sustainable development and competitiveness

2050 AIMS STRATEGY

GOALS

- Comprehensive Understanding of existing And Potential Challenge
- Provide a comprehensive and coordinated approach to improve maritime conditions
- A common template to guide on planning and and execution
- A business plan that specifies milestones
- ***Emphasizes on the economic core***
- ***In line with national interests of Member states***

2050 AIMS STRATEGY cont'd



STRATEGIC CHALLENGES

Implementation

- 2050 AIM Strategy is not a treaty
 - Lack of institutional leadership
- Countries have different development priorities
 - Maritime/Blue economy are new frontiers
 - Analysis/Mapping for potential benefits required
- Political buy in
- Resource constraints

STRATEGIC ACTIONS REQUIRED

Continental

- ❑ Review/ reform the AU such that:
 - MS are obligated to adopt, ratify and enforce/implement decisions
 - Create AU Office for Maritime affairs for leadership
 - Review strategy to close identified gaps
- ❑ **Include Maritime Safety & security and Blue Economy in APSA**

APSA FRAMEWORK

Algeria
Egypt
Libya
Mauritania
Tunisia
Western Sahara

Ghana
Nigeria
Benin
Togo
Côte d'Ivoire
Guinea Bissau
Liberia
Sierra Leone
Mali
Senegal
Niger
Burkina Faso
Gambia
Cape Verde

Sao Tome Principe
Cameroon
Central African Republic
Gabon
Chad
Equatorial Guinea
Congo (Brazzaville)
Angola
DRC



Somalia
Djibouti
Comoros
Seychelles
Ethiopia
Sudan
Kenya
Uganda
Rwanda
Burundi

Tanzania
Malawi
Zambia
Zimbabwe
Namibia
Swaziland
Lesotho
Botswana
RSA
Madagascar
Mauritius
Angola
Mozambique

 Member States belonging to more than REC/RM

STRATEGIC ACTIONS REQUIRED cont'd

Regional

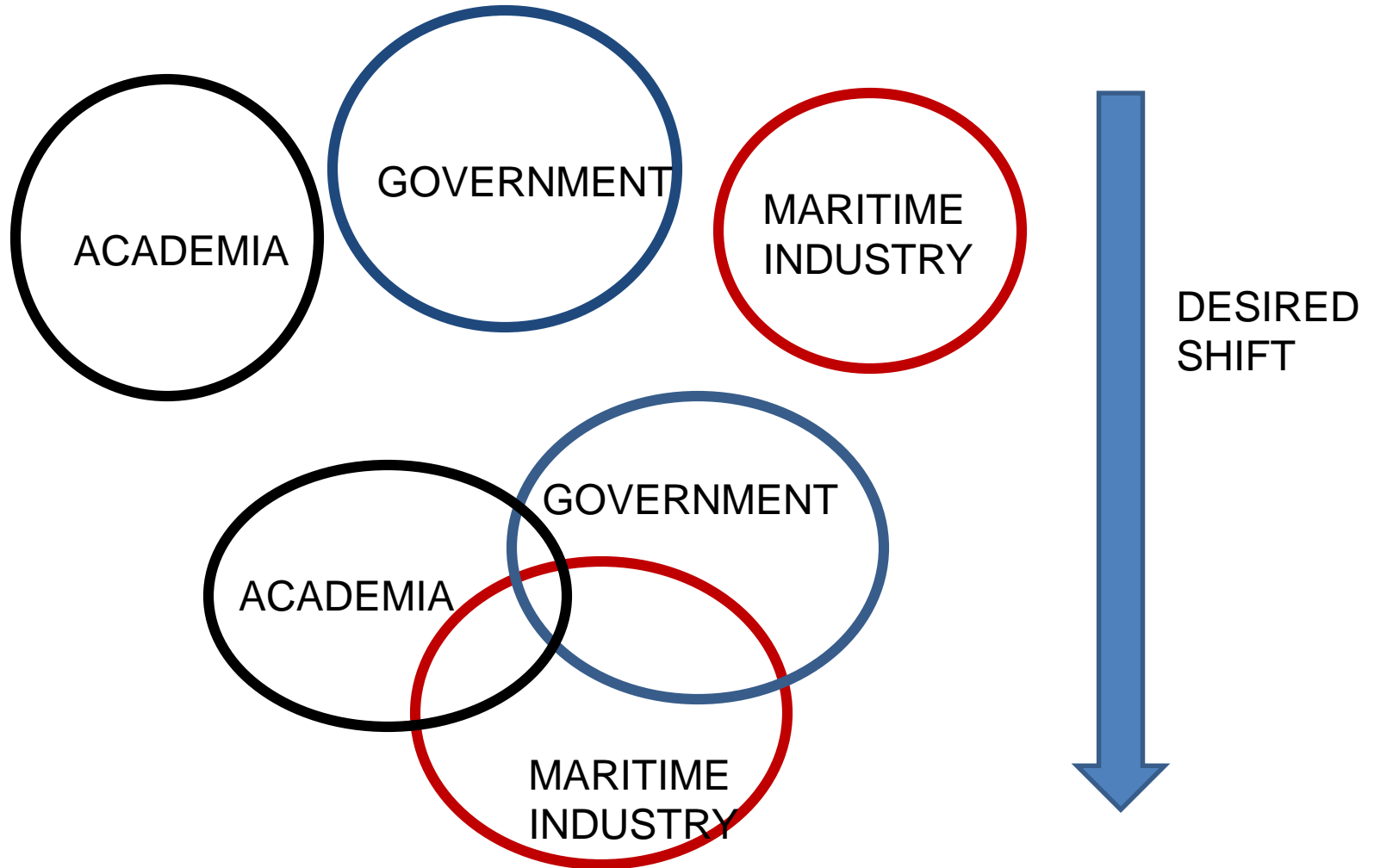
- Strengthen regional initiatives:
 - include MSS & Blue economy
 - Regional mapping of BE and desired initiatives
 - Develop Regional action plans

STRATEGIC ACTIONS REQUIRED cont'd

National

- National mapping of BE/Develop National maritime strategy
- Strengthen existing national institutions
- Realign national legislation for compliance
- Disciplined execution

STRATEGIC ACTIONS REQUIRED cont'd



CONCLUSION

- ❑ 2050 AIM Strategy is good document
- ❑ Must be implemented in consistent and coherent manner
- ❑ Strong leadership required at Continental, regional and national levels
- ❑ National responsibility to move forward
- ❑ Develop linkages between Government, Maritime industry and Academia for desired leap forward

THANK YOU



"I AM, BECAUSE WE ARE."