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REGIONAL INTEGRATION

# **PARTNERSHIP MEETING WITH REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMUNITIES AND COMMISSIONS IN THE WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN REGION**

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## BRIEF HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION

### MANDATE OF THE ORGANIZATION

### GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

- IGAD was formed in 1986 and based in Djibouti
- The region has about 6960 Km of coastline with the **Indian Ocean, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Toudjoura and the Red Sea.** Also, the IGAD region has a total of 6910 Km of international borders with **Egypt, Libya, Chad, Central African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda and Tanzania.**
- The IGAD region has a population of over 240 million people characterized by high natural population growth rates.

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The IGAD region stretches over an area of 5.2 million km<sup>2</sup> that comprises the countries of **Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan and Uganda.**



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## Governance Issues

IGAD member states have been progressively taking tangible steps towards improving governance systems both at the national and regional levels by strengthening structures and institutions..

## IGAD thrusts in regional development

As part of the effort to deliver its mandate, IGAD has devoted considerable resources and energy towards **mitigating the effects of drought, desertification and food insecurity** in the region. Despite these efforts, however, drought and food insecurity continue to be major critical threats to the region.

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### **Agriculture, Livestock, Fisheries and Food Security (ALFS)**

Agriculture and Livestock remain the dominant component of the economies of the IGAD member countries in terms of their contribution to GDP, employment and income. One of the main thrusts of IGAD is to boost agricultural production and sustain management of natural resources and the environment to ensure resilient livelihoods and sustained economic growth. **IGAD Drought Disaster Resilience and Sustainability Initiative (IDDRSI)**

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### **Natural Resources and Environment Protection (NREP) Sector**

The IGAD region is characterized by complex geological and topographical formations that exhibit a wide diversity of terrains and landscapes. **IGAD priorities for coastal and marine environments include the support and implementation of the Abidjan and Nairobi Conventions and the African Process for the management of Africa's coastal and marine resources.**

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### **Regional Economic Cooperation and Integration (RECI) Sector**

IGAD's focus for regional economic cooperation and integration is to create an open, unified, regional economic space for the business community – a single market open to competitive entry and well integrated into the continental and global economies.

### **Other sector mandates include**

- **Trade, Tourism and Industry**
- **Infrastructure Development**
- **Health and Social Development**

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## Peace and Security (PS) Sector

- Threats to peace and security are interlinked and comprise various human insecurities that emanate from both inter and intra-state conflicts and transnational security threats such as terrorism, human and drug trafficking, illicit use of small arms and light weapons, piracy among other causes.
- The region is more plagued with protracted violent conflicts than the IGAD region. The presence of more than **four United Nations and African Union** peace support operations with more than **50,000 troops in the region (Darfur-Sudan, Abyei, Somalia, South Sudan),**



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- **Specialized Institutions**
- [Conflict Early Warning and Response Mechanism- Addis ETH](#)
- [IGAD Climate Prediction and Application Center- Kenya](#)
- [IGAD Center for Pastoral Areas and Livestock Development- Kenya](#)
- [IGAD Sheikh Technical Veterinary School- Somalia](#)
- [IGAD Center of Excellence in Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism- Djibouti](#)

# PROTOCOLS/POLICIES ON OCEAN GOVERNANCE..... BLUE ECONOMY CONFERENCE

- PROGRAMME: **The Biodiversity Management Programme in the Horn of Africa region, IGAD Region: Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, South- Sudan, Sudan, Uganda**
- Conservation of cross- border biodiversity land/seascapes strengthened and institutional capacities for management improved
- Policies for sustainable ecosystem management and biodiversity conservation at both the national and regional level improved - **Regional Biodiversity Policy adopted by Ministerial meeting (May 2016).**
- Information generation, experience exchange and capitalization

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- **2nd Regional Reference Information System and National Biodiversity Databases** workshop prepared, to be held in November 2016.
- 7 National Biodiversity Databases established. Hardware and software distributed.
- Assessment of marine resources in the selected coastal areas of Djibouti and Kenya
- Development of BRAHMS database for all their Marine database - Developed a Seascape Management Plan for Tadjourah and Ghoubet-el Developed a Seascape Management Plan for Lamu

## **KEY PROGRAMMATIC INTERVENTIONS RELATED TO COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**

- IGAD is hosting its first regional Blue Economy (BE) ..... **JULY** ? Conference to raise awareness on the prospects of ocean-related industries and the Blue Growth principles for thriving sustainable accelerated growth, shared prosperity, climate resilience and peace in the Horn of Africa.

### ***The objectives of the events are:***

- Hold a two-day conference on BE is a regional unique event and offers a rare opportunity to discuss BE development in the IGAD region at large as well as offers perfect setting for the region to showcase its BE components and their linkages to different sub-sectors of the regional economy.

# ***KEY PROGRAMMATIC INTERVENTIONS RELATED TO COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT***

- What is the objective ?

To propose a way ahead, a vision and milestones for developing BE  
To suggest initiatives to be taken in the field of governance , legislation research and capacity building, identification of priority sectors, environmental protection and social policy.

- The role of BE for sustainable socio-economic development understood.
- Best practices documented and shared.
- Road Map for developing the envisaged IGAD Regional Strategy developed.
- Network of professionals on BE created.

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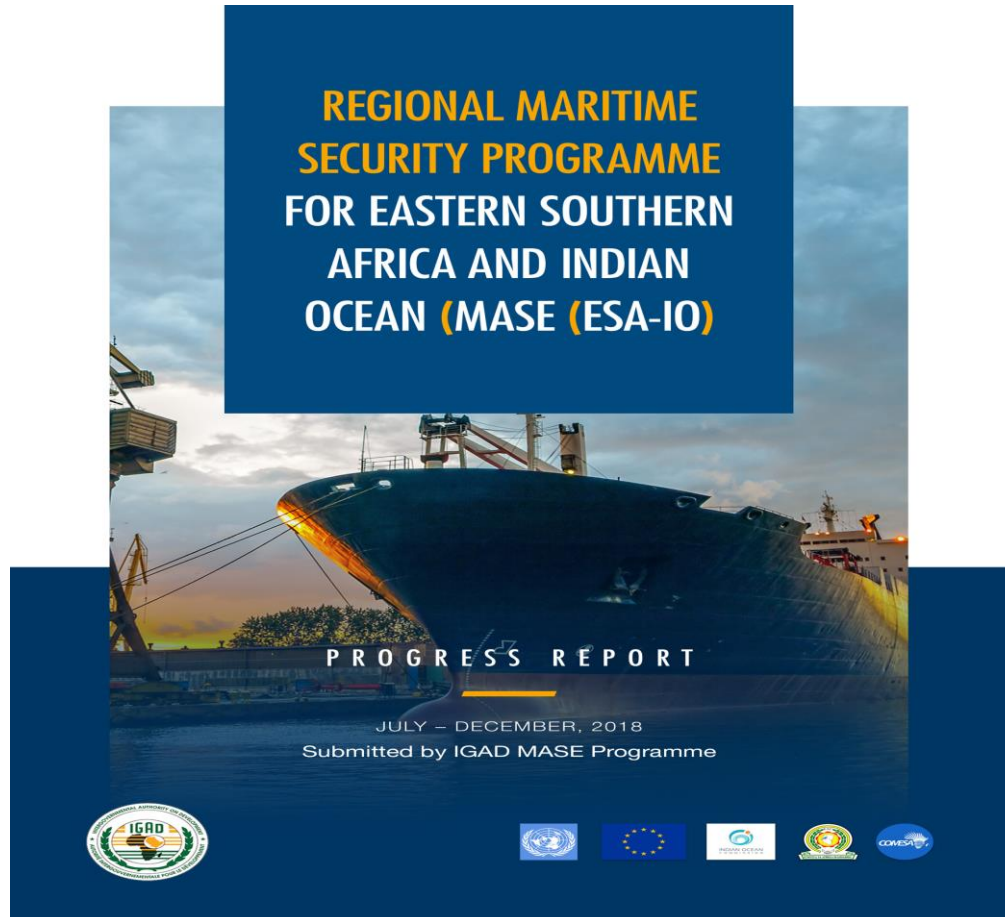
- To review the development prospects and challenges of well-integrated traditional and emerging BE sectors for leapfrogging accelerated and shared growth.
- To identify the capacity needs and gaps for rolling-out the envisaged BE Strategy at the national and regional levels in the spirit of effective cooperation.

## PARTNERSHIPS INCLUDING POTENTIAL COLLABORATION WITH NAIROBI CONVENTION

- IGAD initiatives ...on fisheries ,environment, maritime security.
- We see that UNEP/Nairobi Convention together with REC's can move the agenda forward given the **“Power to Convene” that lies with REC's**
- UNECA ... policy framework
- Blue economy in IGAD region coming up ... September (2019)

# EXISTING PARTNERSHIPS BETWEEN REC'S UNDER (MASE) PROGRAMME

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# PARTNERSHIPS INCLUDING POTENTIAL COLLABORATION MARITIME SECURITY ....IN THE CONTEXT ESA-IO

**Result 1:** *Alternative Livelihoods through Vocational Development Initiatives and Advocacy against Piracy Are Supported; Maritime Coordination Mechanisms Are Reinforced In Somalia- **IGAD***

**Result 2:** *National/regional legal, legislative and infrastructural capability for Arrest, Transfer, Detention and Prosecution of Pirates is developed and/or strengthened; **(EAC)***

**Result 3:** *Strengthen regional capacity to mitigate financial flows that relate to piracy while also addressing the structural vulnerability factors and minimize the economic impact of piracy. **(COMESA)***

**Result 4:** *Enhanced national and regional capacity for maritime tasks and support functions; (IOC). **State-to State cooperation .....***

**Result 5:** *Improved regional coordination and information exchange. **(IOC)***

# MARITIME INSECURITY : ECONOMIC COSTS OF PIRACY

- THE SHIPPING INDUSTRY
- INSURANCE .....
- Private Military Security Companies



THE BMP 4 HIGH RISK AREA (HRA) HAS BEEN REDUCED IN SIZE FROM 1 DECEMBER 2015. THIS DEVELOPMENT IS IN RESPONSE TO THE REDUCTION IN PIRATE ATTACKS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. THE VOLUNTARY REPORTING AREA (VRA) LIMITS REMAIN UNCHANGED.

