

## Chapter 2

# Regional Development Agendas and Initiatives

### **ABSTRACT**

*The chapter presents the regional development initiatives that are impacting the planning process at the national level. This concerns mainly the African Union agenda 2063. It also presents how the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) and Global Geospatial Information Management (GGIM) are monitored at the regional level and how the Africa Land Policy Initiative is advancing the land governance in Africa. The chapter describes the challenges of aligning these regional agendas with the international ones in the national development frameworks.*

### **INTRODUCTION**

The African Union has adapted the agenda 2063 to push the socio-economic development of African countries.

With the adoption at the international level of agenda 2030, it comes imperative to integrate monitoring of these two agendas and others related agendas at the national level.

## BACKGROUND

At its twenty-fourth regular session, held in Addis Ababa on 30-31 January 2015, the AU Conference of Heads of State and Government adopted Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want, as strategic framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development in Africa to optimize the use of resources of the continent for the benefit of all Africans. In June 2015, the Conference adopted the first Ten-Year Plan of Implementation (2014-2023) of Agenda 2063, which identified flagship projects, priority areas and political measures to support the implementation of the continental development framework (Figure 1) (African Union Commission, 2015, Economic Commission for Africa, 2016).

Figure 1. Regional African development agendas  
Source: Economic Commission for Africa, 2017



## MAIN FOCUS OF THE CHAPTER

Africa has reached the Millennium Development Goals horizon with performances in five of the eight Goals. The five Goals are: Goal 2 (Enrolment in primary education);

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