

A large container ship is sailing on the ocean at sunset. The ship is dark-colored with a white hull. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. The water is dark blue with some whitecaps. The ship is moving towards the right of the frame.

Africa Intermodal 2019

***Unlocking the potentials
in maritime transports
and services***

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***Africa is the largest island
on planet earth***

FACTS

It covers 43 million square meters

All islands included its coastline equals 26.000 nautical miles

Ship-ownership equaled 1.2 percent of world fleet total

World trade participation equaled 0.9 percent

Combined port throughput 6 percent.

Koffi Atta Annan – Former UN Secretary General

‘More than ever before in human history we share a common destiny. We can master it only if we face it together.’



Maritime Domain Awareness (MDA)



Oceans, seas, lakes and inland waterways as common heritage

Fluidity of the environment – Dare-devils only

Means of transport through sailing ship

Coasting, tramping, bulking

and Ultra/Very Large Crude Carriers

Seabed mineral exploration and exploitation

Advances in ship-building technology

Maritime transport economic perspectives



Moves 90 percent low value-high volumes traded commodities

Freedom of entry and exit

Asset and capital intensive

Strategic to national, regional and continental economies

Cyclical markets posing capacity issues

Nodal constrictions

MDA Challenges

Food chain constructs

– Irregular, unregulated, unreported fishing

Maritime – land-sponsored crime

Ecosystem – land-based sources of pollution

9/11 2001 – global responses to terrorism treats

Seabed mineral exploitation/exploration

Global governance requirements – UNCLOS 1982/IMO/ILO

Africa's hopes

The blue economy initiative

The African Union's 2050 Integrated Maritime Strategy

Public-private partnerships for socio-economic stability

Youth job creation

Maritime education and training

Institutional capacity building

Industry participation and new hopes for industrialisation





Musings on MDA Awareness

Generational equity considerations?

National, regional and Pan Africanism

World-wide alliance and unjust economic systems

Africa's global participation weaning
from 10 percent since 10 years

The reverse is possible?

Intra-African trade must develop/ US Magnusson Act example



THE TIME IS NOW

Threats and international coalitions
Sector reforms in nodes along the
maritime/logistics supply chain



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Leisure and cultural expression
Democracy and good governance
Overall backbone infrastructure development.
Technology transfer a given?



Great Expectations

HOW DO CONFERENCE EXPECTATIONS
TRANSLATE INTO ACTION AGENDAS?