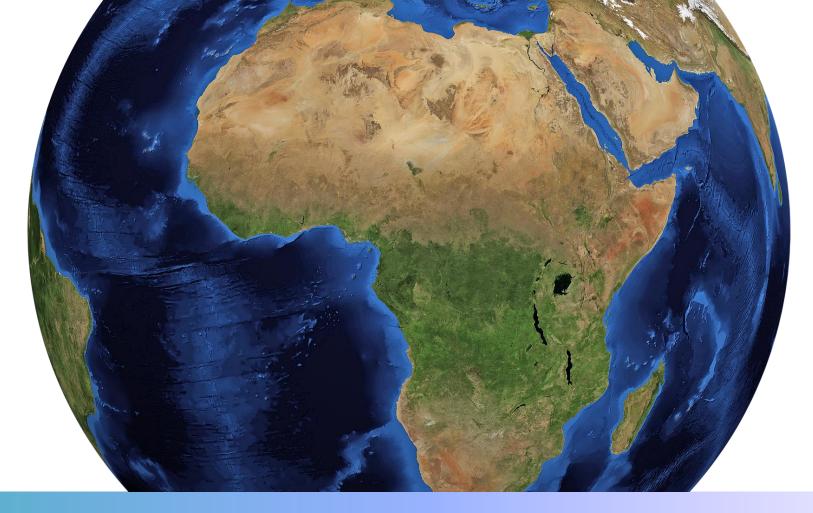
#### Africa Intermodal 2019

# 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 togethe

## 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 volume, 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

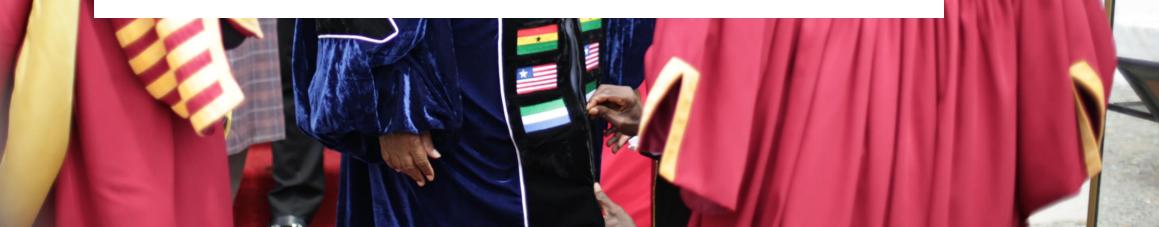
## Africa's hopes

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?