

The Ocean and “Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want”

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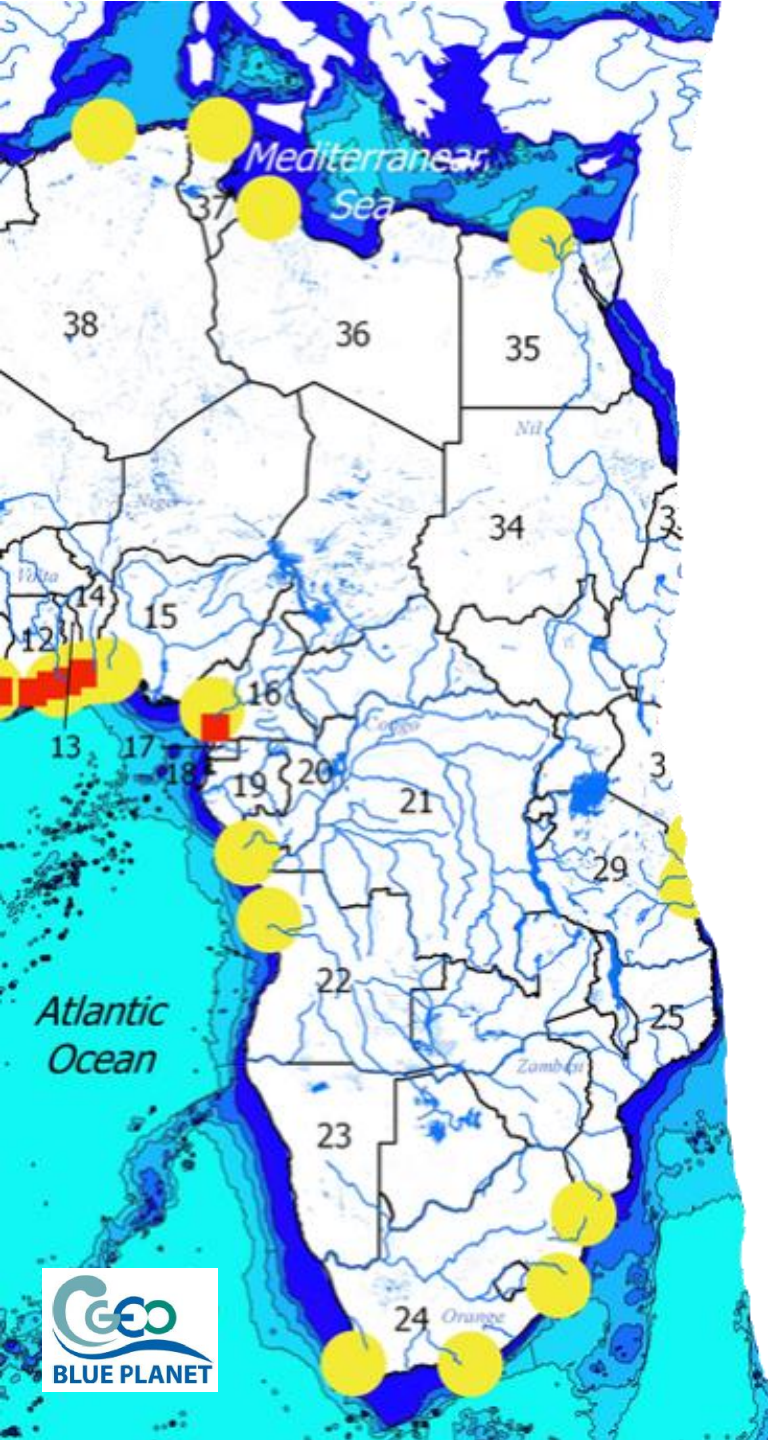
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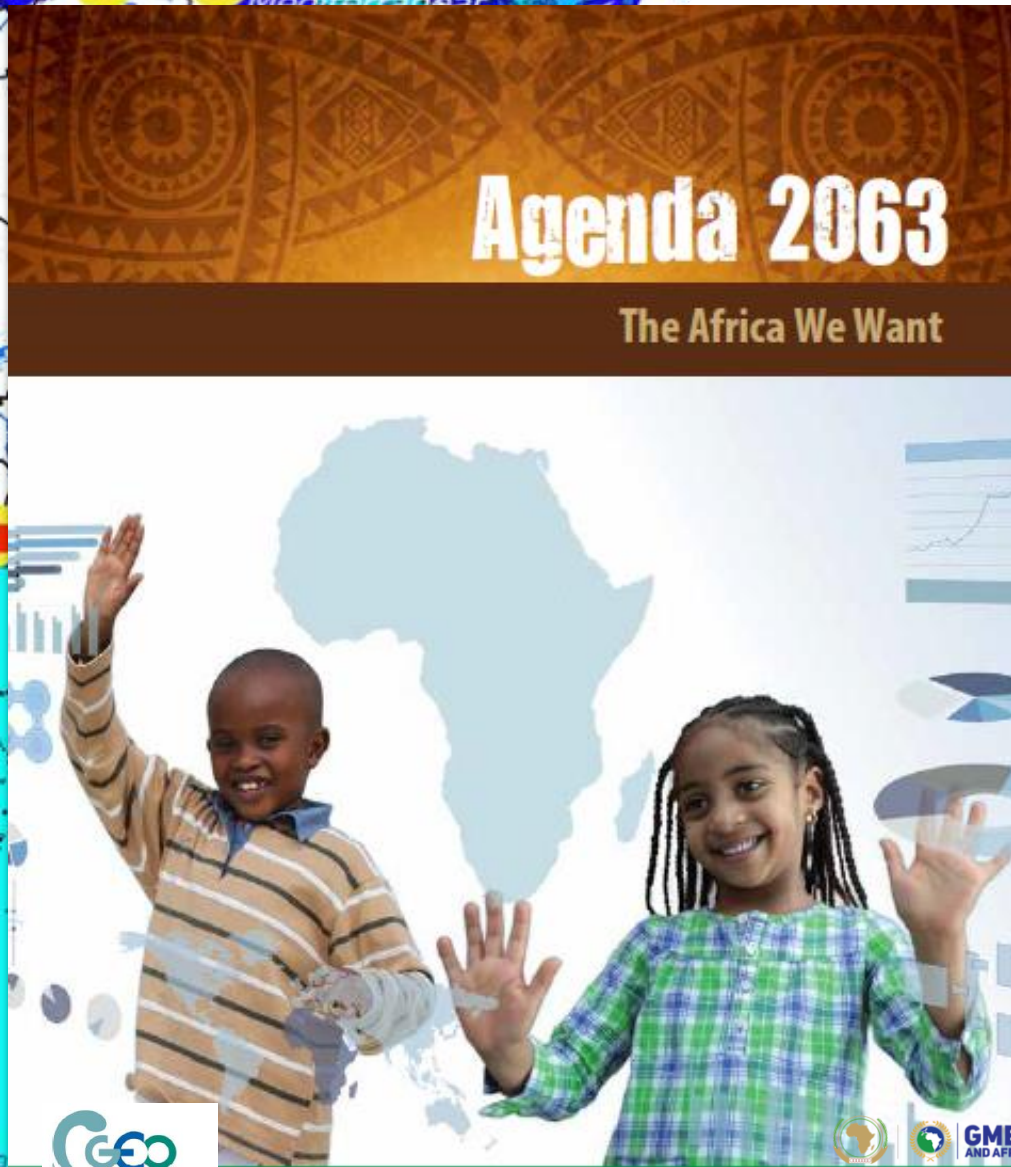
Coastal Areas in Africa: Key Figures



- The total length of Africa's coastline, including its islands > **30 500 km**
- **38 Country Coastlines in Africa.**
- Over **90% of Africa's** imports and exports are conducted by sea
- African countries celebrate the importance of fish industries employing **5.4 million people and providing essential nutrition (FAO)**



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- **Agenda 2063** serves as **Africa's blueprint and master plan for transforming the continent into a global powerhouse of the future.**
- It is a **strategic framework** that aims to achieve inclusive and sustainable development,

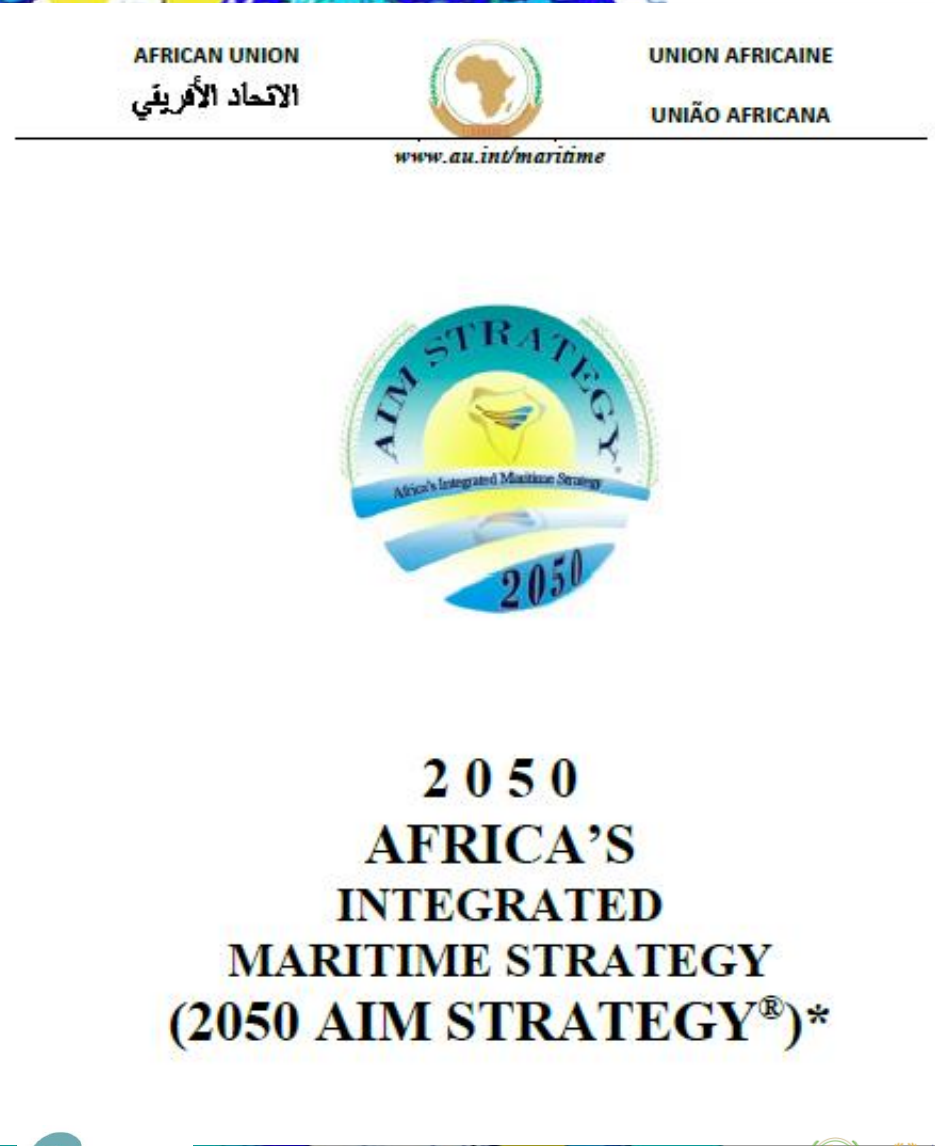


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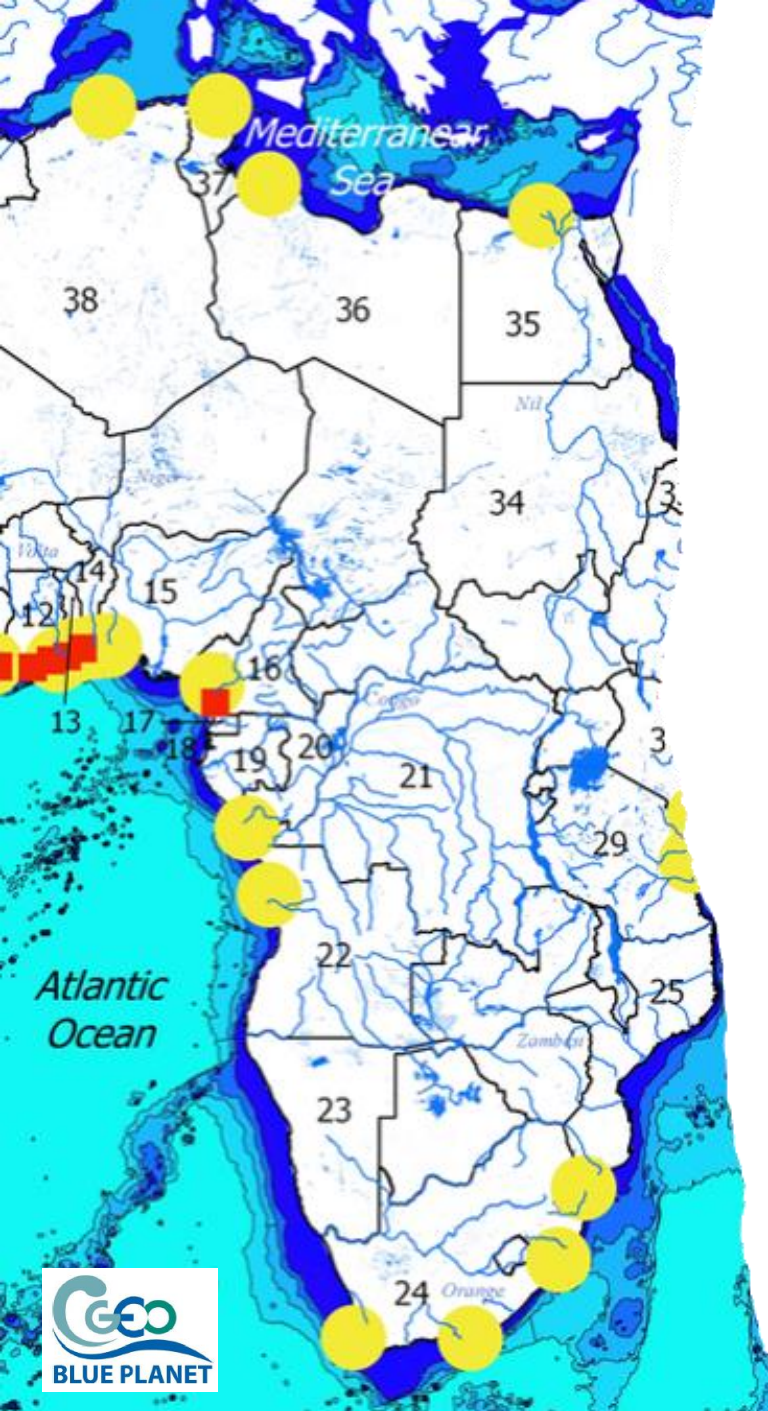
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Enhance maritime viability for a prosperous Africa





Coastal areas within **Agenda 2063**: *“The Africa We Want”*.

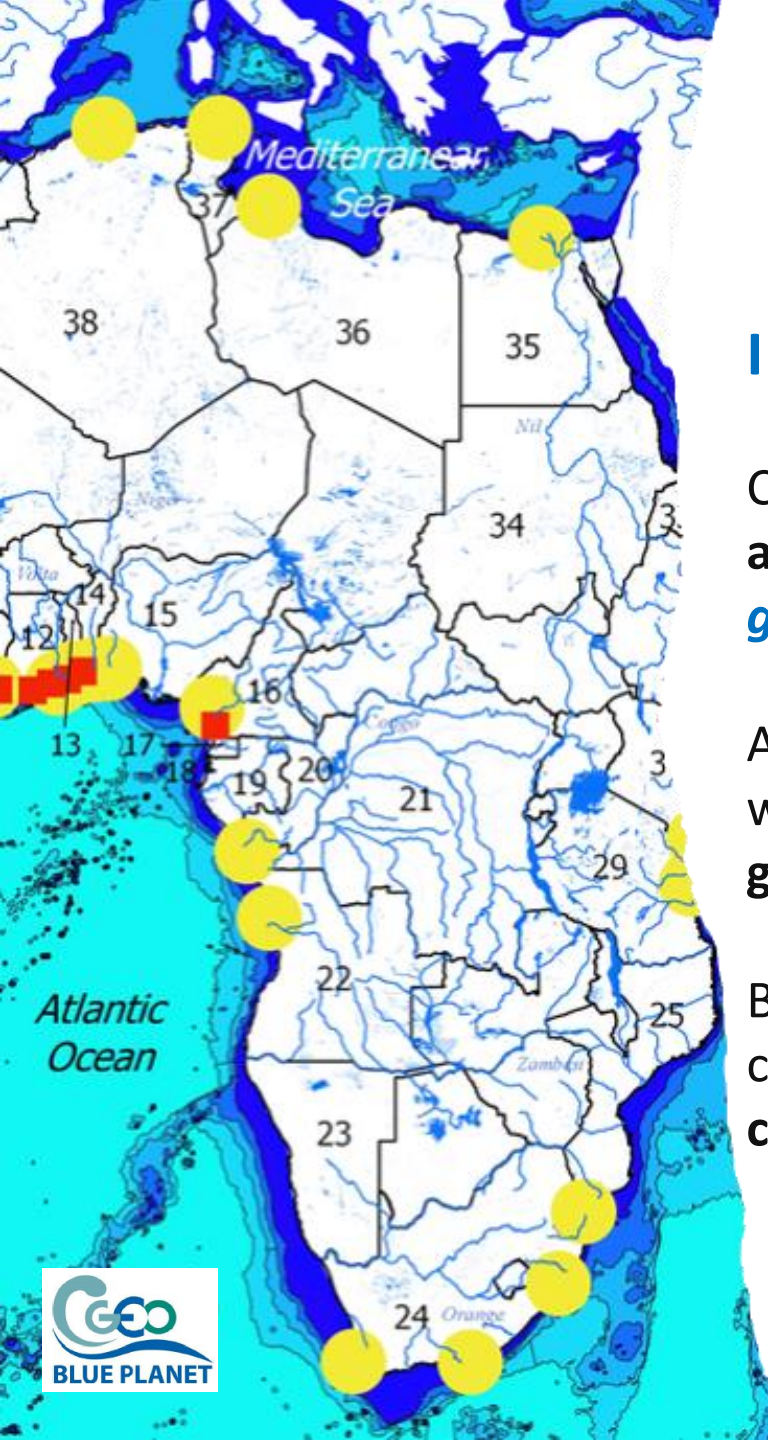
Preserving Coastal and Marine Areas

Agenda 2063 recognizes the importance of coastal and marine ecosystems. By **2063**, the goal is to **preserve at least 10% of coastal and marine areas**.

These areas play a **critical role in supporting biodiversity, fisheries, tourism, and climate resilience**.

Sustainable management and protection of these zones are **essential for the well-being of coastal communities and the overall health of our planet**





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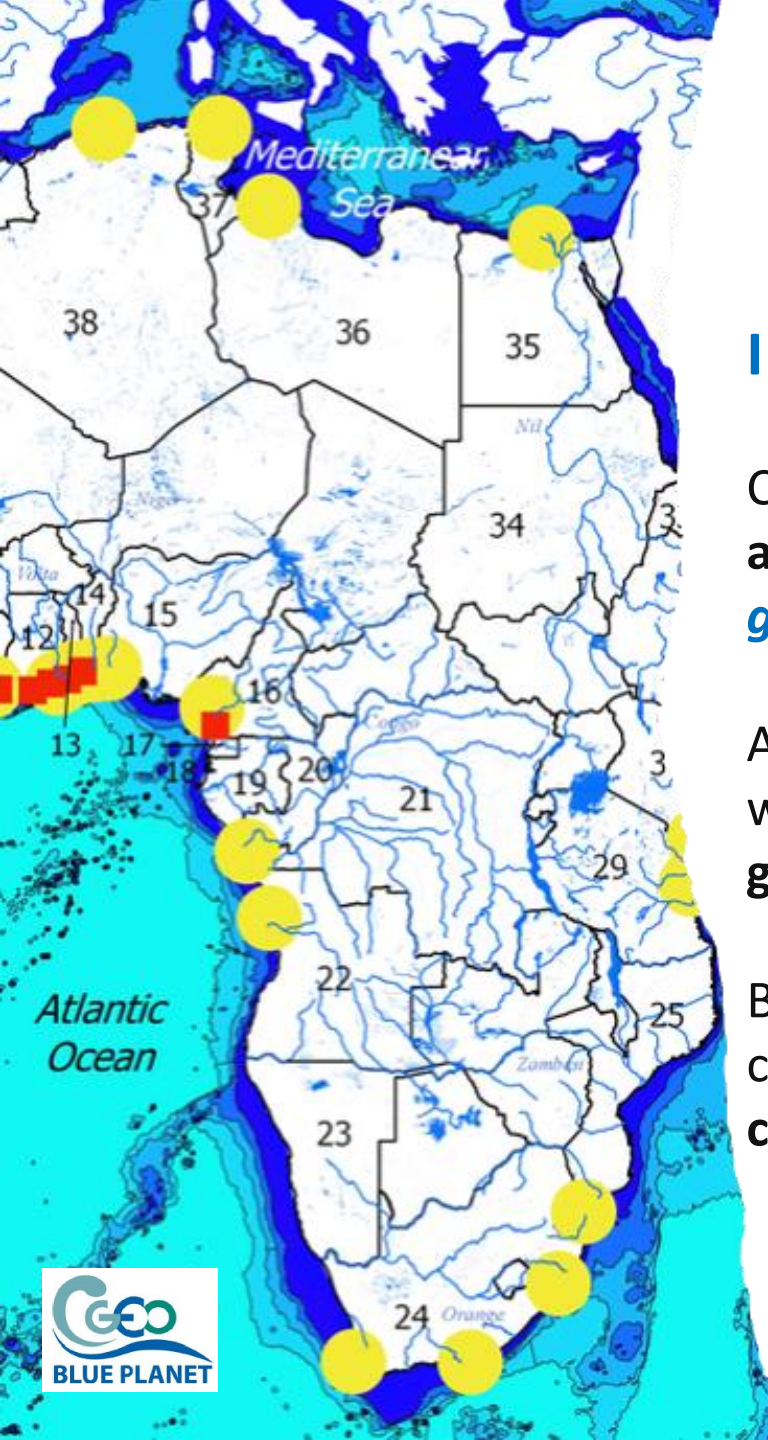
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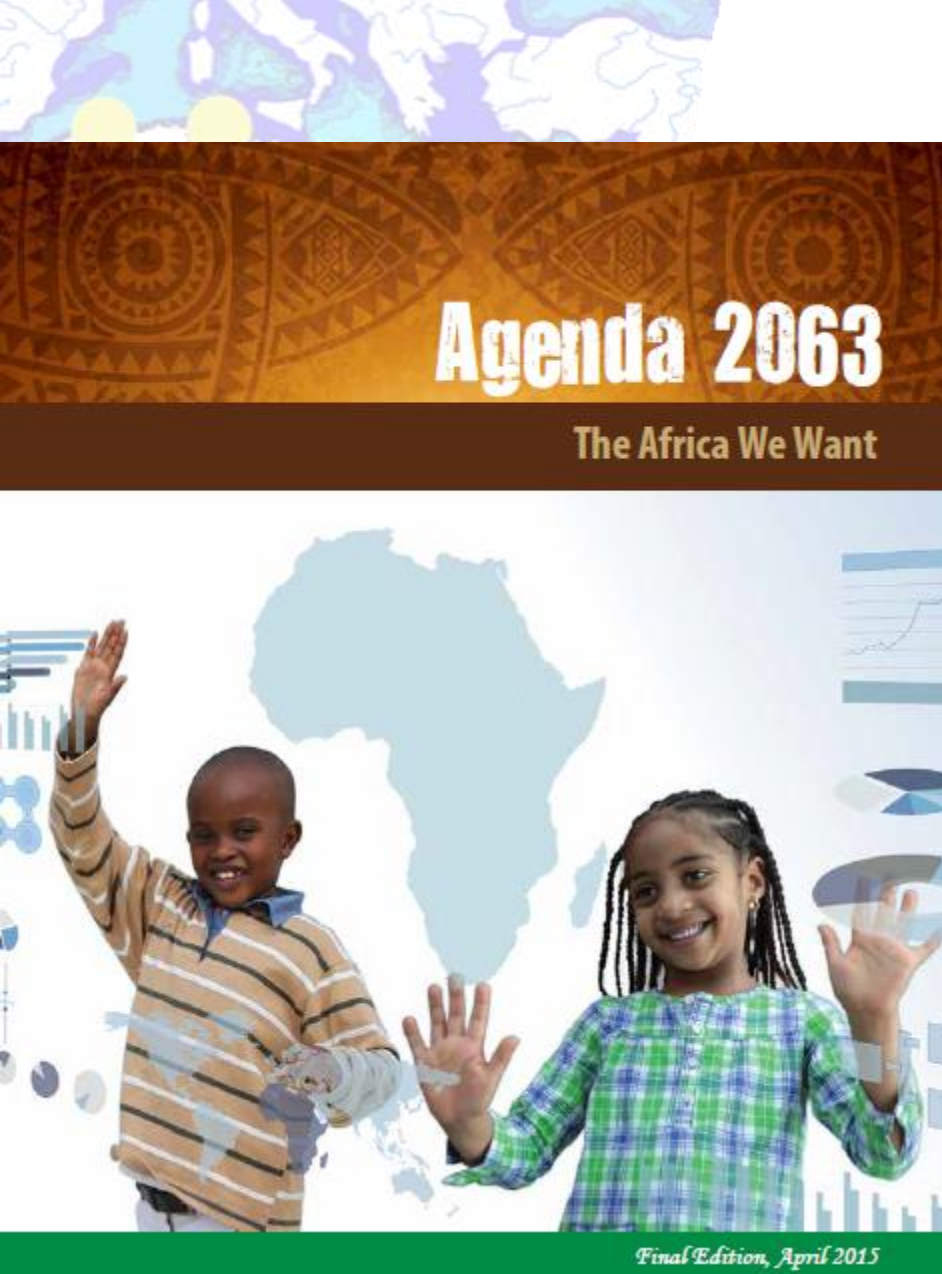
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In summary.....

Agenda 2063 recognizes the value of coastal areas and aims to **protect them while promoting inclusive development.**

By doing so, Africa can achieve its vision of an integrated, prosperous, and peaceful continent by 2063.

By integrating these ocean-related aspects into Agenda 2063, **Africa can harness its maritime resources for the benefit of all Africans, contributing to positive socioeconomic transformation within the next 50 years(LEAP-UNEP)**



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