



ICAO/AFCAC Regional Symposium for African States on Airport and Air Navigation Services Infrastructure Financing

**European Commission - Africa
Development Cooperation
for the Aviation Sector**



From political to operational

- EU – ACP Cotonou Agreement
- EU – Africa Infrastructure Partnership // NEPAD //

Common Strategic Framework and Action Plan for Africa-Europe Cooperation in Air Transport - Windhoek April 2009

- European Development Fund (EDF)
- Infrastructure Trust Fund (ITF)



EU financing air transport in AFRICA

- Few examples in sub-Saharan Africa
 - TA to the AU to implement the Yamoussoukro Decision and to develop a common external aviation policy for Africa / improvement of Lusaka airport / support for ASECNA for training & training infrastructure
- Whereas there is a wide experience in Europe & neighbours countries
 - EU cohesion & structural funds counted 1.8 Billion € from 2007 to 2013



EU Main Financing Instruments

- EDF : because of grant nature most are allocated to road infrastructures
- ITF : deals better with projects that can be funded by concessional loans or commercial sources



EU Main Financing Actors

- European Commission : offices in most of the African countries also delegation to the African Union and a Delegation to ICAO in Montreal
- European Investment Bank : three African offices
- Member states and Cooperation agencies all over Africa



EU-Africa Infrastructure Trust Fund (ITF)

Grant resources from
the Commission and EU
Member States



Trust
Fund

Lending & technical
capacity of EIB and EU
development financiers



Projects



Partnership with African Development Bank



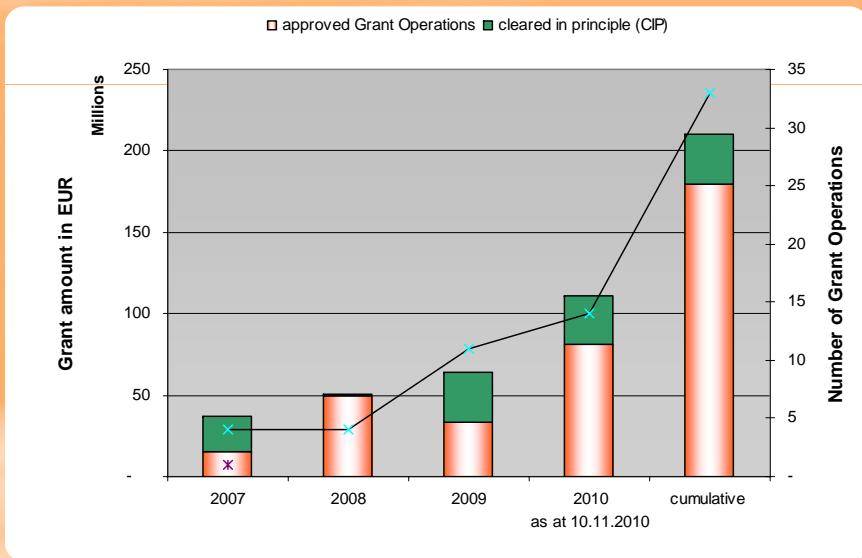
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ITF: Forms of grant support

- (i) Interest rate subsidies on medium/long term project loans (IRS);
- (ii) Technical assistance, feasibility studies and project-related capacity building (TA);
- (iii) One-off grants for social or environmental components (DG);
- (iv) Payment of early-stage premiums on project risk insurance (risk mitigation) (IP).



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- ITF is growing

Already exemple of airport project :

- Jomo Kenyatta Airport, Nairobi). €5m grant contribution for an overall project for €215m and led by EIB



For investments to accelerate in aviation sector

- Aviation is traditionally a self finance sector – good experiences with liberalisation in the 90s in Europe
- Economic and financial models well known and it seems certain that sector in Africa will grow

BUT

- Africa leaders will need to take forward reforms in air liberalisation, YD implementation, air safety, etc.
- The joint EU-Africa committee foreseen for the sector has never been established



Sources of information

- ***Windhoek conference conclusions :***
 - http://ec.europa.eu/transport/air/events/2009_04_02_int_africa_en.htm
- ***Infrastructure Trust Fund***
 - <http://www.eu-africa-infrastructure-tf.net>



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