Trade and Transport Facilitation and Intermodal Strategies

Recommendations to SSATP

Papers Presented

- Corridor Logistics Costs Initiatives & Trade Facilitation.
- Innovative Use of ICT in the Management of Transit Corridors
- Regional Integration and Interstate Trade
- Trade and Transport Instruments along Corridors

Recommendations

- Intermodal transport strategies need to be included in the Trade and Transport Agenda.
 SSATP should undertake appropriate studies for the development of intermodal Transport.
- Undertake studies to understand the benefits from each Intervention to focus on the more feasible interventions
- Capacity building in implementation process including training need to be mainstreamed in trade and transport.

Recommendations

- Cross cutting issues should be mainstreamed in Trade and Transport Facilitation programmes, e.g. Gender and Road safety
- Driver training should include issues on Gender
- Improve coordination between RECs and Corridor Institutions
- Promotion of e-trade and single window
- Studies carried out on Northern corridor on hidden logistic costs should be replicated at other corridors especially in West Africa

Recommendations

- Impact of transport on food security and cash crops within the region should be business case driven.
- Corridor management should embrace all member states linked to the corridor.
- Cost studies should cover analysis on backhaul traffic, mode of transport and human factor and conducted in detail for all major corridors.
- Analysis of governance issues on corridors including trying to understand why certain stakeholders are against interventions.