

## DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION AND FOLLOW-UP STRATEGY

We adopt the following implementation and follow-up strategy:

- 1) Host rotational bi-annual AU-Diaspora Conferences in Africa and in the Diaspora to review the implementation of this Programme of Action.
- 2) Involve Regional Economic Communities (RECs) in the implementation of this Programme of Action.
- 3) Request the AU Commission to develop mechanisms to ensure that the experiences of women, youth and vulnerable groups are taken into account in the implementation of this Programme of Action.
- 4) Continue communication efforts to popularise the Africa – Diaspora initiative and promote positive images of Africa that will create a conducive environment for investment opportunities on the continent
- 5) Take necessary measures to ensure the establishment of an AU-Diaspora Foundation/Trust to support the AU-Diaspora initiative;
- 6) Agree to establish multi-stakeholder working groups comprising the AU, CARICOM and including representative from the Diaspora in the following priority areas: Economic Cooperation (including infrastructure, sea and air links, trade and investment, and travel and tourism); Science And Technology (including the establishment of Low Earth Orbit satellite, and research in agriculture, biotechnology, renewable energy technologies, HIV, malaria, TB, Cholera, sickle cell and chronic lifestyle diseases);
- 7) Agree to set up a Diaspora Advisory Board, which will address overarching issues of concern to Africa and its Diaspora such as **reparations, right to** return and follow up to WCAR Plan of Action, amongst others.