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ATUDN Steering Committee Meeting
Réunion du comité de pilotage su RSAD

Abuja, Nigeria, 20-21/06/2017



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Opening remarks
Introduction of meeting objectives
Presentation and approval of the agenda

Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC)

Alex Nkosi, ATUDN

Diego López González, ITUC-TUDCN



Sharing of experiences from the ground: Feedback (country reports)



Recap of the ATUDN's work in 2016-2017

- 2030 Agenda
- Private sector accountability
- State of Trade Unions in Africa
- Partnerships
- Communication and outreach



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Report from the UNECA Regional Forum on Sustainable Development, Addis Ababa, 17-19 May 2017

- **Assessment of the Forum and advocacy with national governments**
- **Discussion on future strategies**



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2030 Agenda monitoring: contributions from UNECA and ILO on the sources of data for the SDG indicators

Fatouma Sissoko, African Centre for Statistics, UNECA

Yacouba Diallo, Senior Statistician, ILO Regional Office for Africa



End of day 1

Clôture de la première journée



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Day 2 / Jour 2

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Africa-EU Partnership: towards the 5th Africa-EU Summit in Abidjan, November 2017: What role for trade unions?



EU-Africa relations: background

- Cotonou Partnership Agreement (ACP) 2000
- Joint Africa-EU Strategy 2007
 - Summits, College-to-College and ministerial meetings, Joint Annual Forum, high-level dialogues
 - Parliamentary, civil society and private sector dimensions
 - EU-Africa Network of economic and social stakeholders (EESC)
- Africa-EU Partnership roadmap 2014-2017
- Trade: EPAs → ECOWAS, SADC, EAC
- Security: CPSD missions, African Peace Facility
- Development: EDF, Pan-African Programme (DCI)
- Migration: Valletta roadmap
- Neighbourhood Policy/Euro-Mediterranean Partnership



EU-Africa relations: EU policy context

- 2030 Agenda and new EU Consensus on Development
- EU External Investment Plan and prominence of private sector
- EU approach to migration and new conditionality
- Risks of shifting narrative in development



5th Africa-EU Summit, Abidjan, 28-29 November 2017

- Central theme: YOUTH (employment, migration)
- Further strengthen the partnership to address common challenges and opportunities
- Launch the EU External Investment Plan
- Limited space for trade unions and CSOs, but possibility of a social partners' prep meeting by EU & Ivory Coast ECOSOC



Intercontinental CSO Forum, Tunis, 11-13 July 2017

- Good idea, but wrong procedures
- Role of the AU
- Trade union delegation
- Main themes: conflict prevention, peacebuilding and refugees; democratic governance and civic participation; human development; **decent work, universal social protection and sustainable socio-economic development**; sustainable future for our planet



Trade union advocacy paper main messages

- The Partnership should address the systemic challenges impeding decent work to flourish: **informal and precarious work, weak industrialization, climate change, gender inequality, unharnessed private sector, diversion of ODA for purposes unrelated to poverty eradication, tax evasion and illicit financial flows**, etc.
- **Decent work and social dialogue should be high in the common agenda**, to ensure sustainable and inclusive growth and development, in coherence with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the new European Consensus on Development, the EU Global Strategy for Foreign and Security Policy, and the African Union 2063 Vision.
- **Freedom of association and the right to collective bargaining are enabling rights to achieve decent work**, universal social protection and sustainable socio-economic development. The Partnership should effectively ensure an enabling environment that allows for social and civic dialogue, and for the participation of social partners in socio-economic governance.



Trade union advocacy: main issues touched upon

- Decent work creation, with strong social protection and public services provision
- Formalising informal economy
- Living wages and universal social protection floors
- Achieving gender equality and close the gender pay gap
- Address climate's impact on workers and promote a just transition
- Freedom of association and collective bargaining
- Human and trade union rights' violations
- Promotion and ratification of ILO core labour standards
- Fight against forced and child labour
- Business accountability, in light of “innovative” development finance: blending, PPPs
- Assessing business interventions against development effectiveness principles
- Regulatory frameworks that allow governments to organize public services
- European companies inventing in Africa should ensure mandated due diligence
- Responsible business conduct in the extractive industries, with compliance linked to eligibility



Trade union advocacy position for Tunis & Abidjan

Working groups and report in plenary:

*** What are other critical issues to be covered in the trade union advocacy paper?**

*** Quels sont les autres problèmes critiques à aborder dans le document de position syndical?**

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Business accountability in development: main priorities and research ahead



Blended finance...?

- Changing landscape of development finance
- How to finance the SDGs?
- What role for private sector in development cooperation? Challenges and concerns
- Main takeaways from the seminar on blending and PPPs in Blantyre, Malawi, February 2017



Trade union research: objectives

1. Assess the performance of blended finance projects in relation to development effectiveness principles: **accountability and transparency** of donors, FDIs, businesses, governments and other stakeholders involved in projects; **ownership** of projects and its results; **inclusion** of trade unions along the project cycle; and particularly on **development results** and **alignment with country priorities**.
2. Make the case for **accountable businesses** as a prerequisite for effective development results of blended finance and other private sector instruments in development.
3. Assess whether social, environmental, **labour** and human rights standards are mainstreamed along the project cycle, from conception to implementation to evaluation.
4. Provide recommendations from a trade union perspective on the effectiveness of blended finance in the SDG era, and by extension of private sector instruments in development, in the light of key debates taking place at the OECD-DAC, the GPEDC and the UN, among other policy arenas.



Trade union research: purpose and use

- For advocacy purposes, to show development stakeholders the importance of criteria for private sector engagement in development finance, backed by evidence-based research on blended finance case studies
- In seminars, workshops, and other national and global fora to build the capacity of trade unions in the area of development finance
- To develop partnerships with relevant actors dealing with development finance and private sector engagement



Trade union research on business accountability

Working groups and report in plenary:

1. Are there concrete examples of blended finance projects in your country? If not, what are the priority themes/sectors to cover by research?

2. What are the key issues that research should cover to be useful for advocacy purposes?

1. Existe-t-il des exemples concrets de projets de financement mixte dans votre pays ? Sinon, quels sont les thèmes/secteurs prioritaires à aborder par la recherche syndicale?

2. Quels sont les principales problématiques que la recherche devrait couvrir pour être utile à des fins de plaidoyer?



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Workplan for engagement at national level

Group and individual brainstorming

What activities at national level can be envisaged on:

- * 2030 Agenda
- * Private sector accountability
- * Trade union partnerships

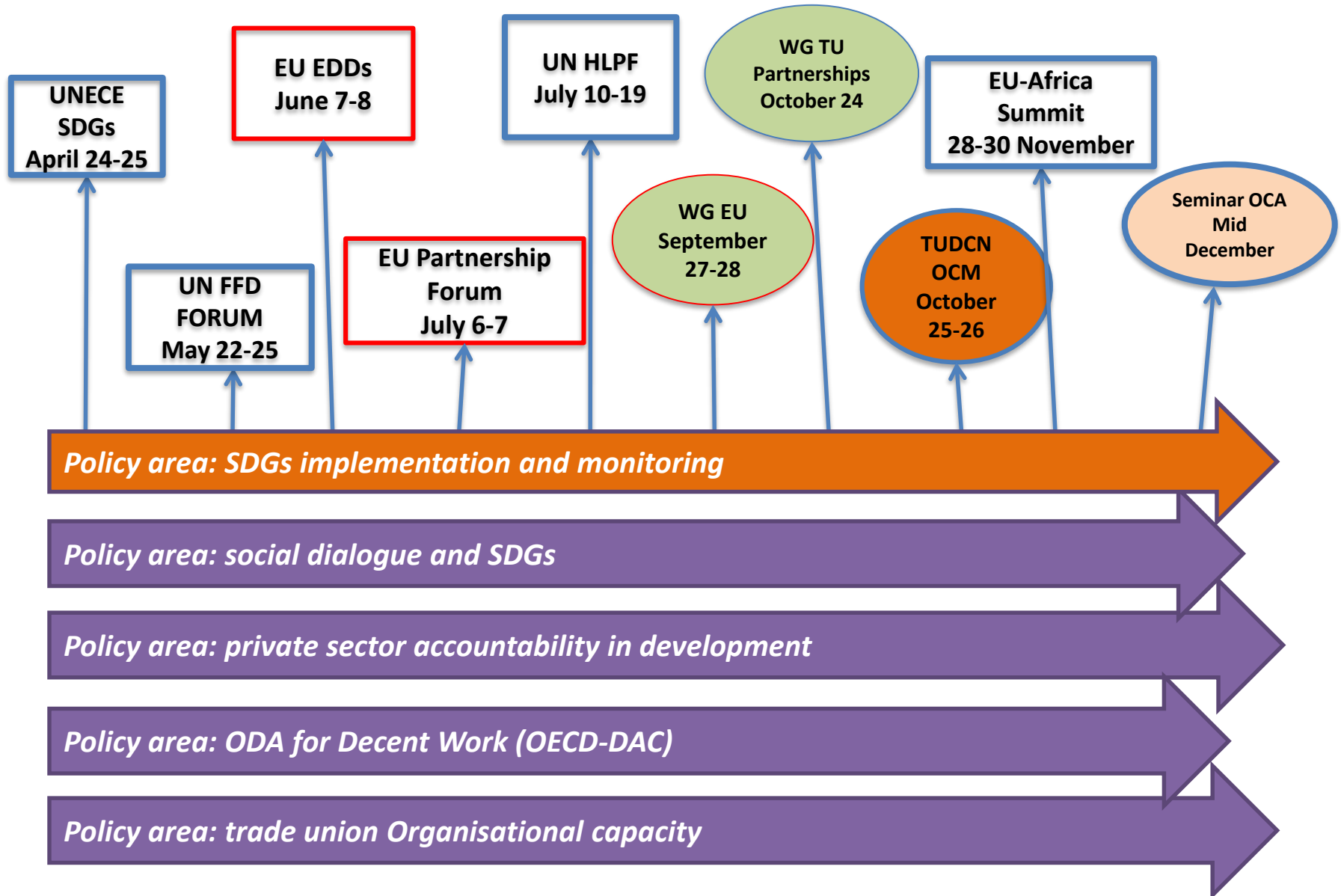
Quelles activités au niveau national peuvent être envisagés dans ces domaines :

- * Agenda 2030
- * Rendition de comptes du secteur privé
- * Partenariats syndicaux

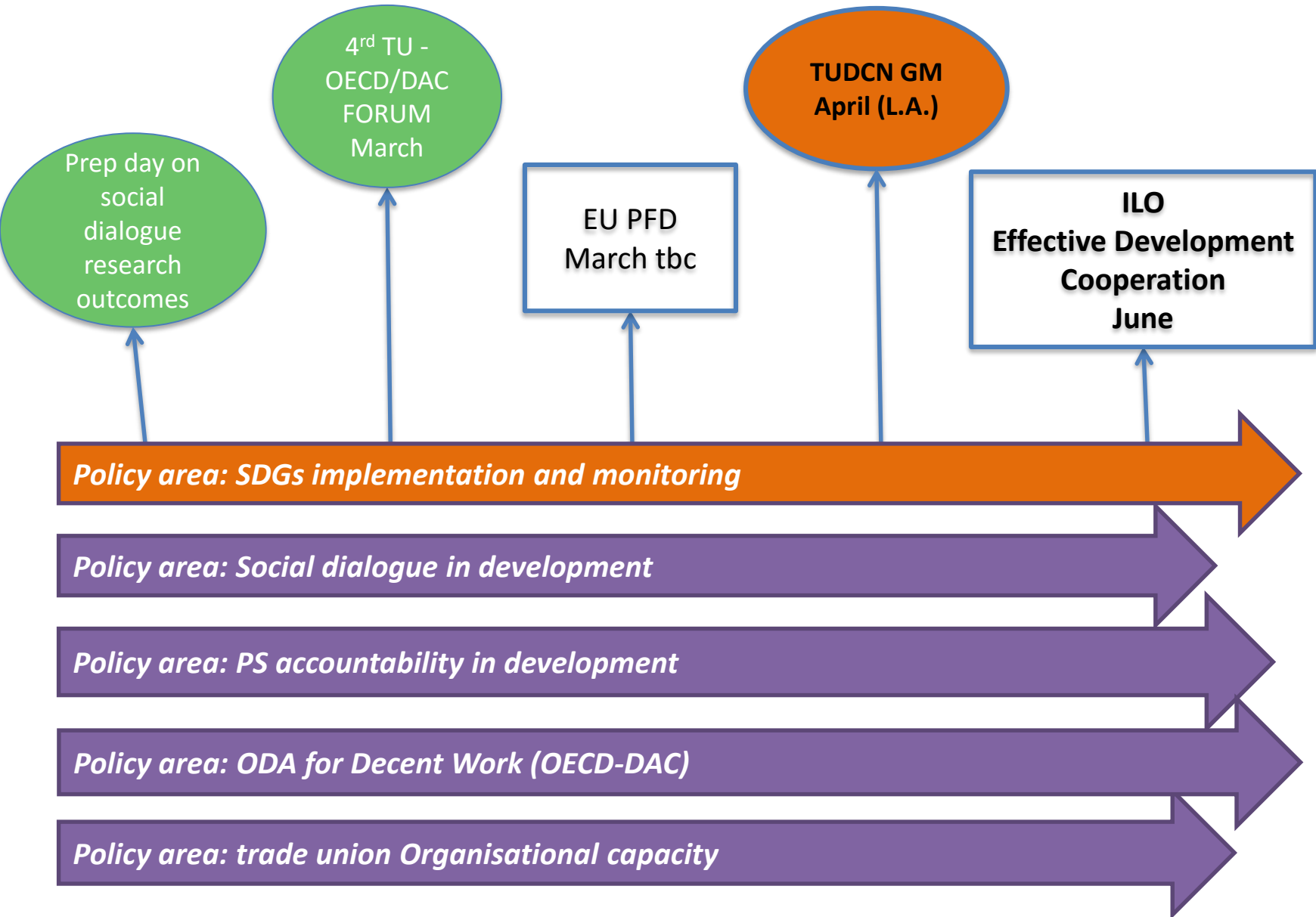


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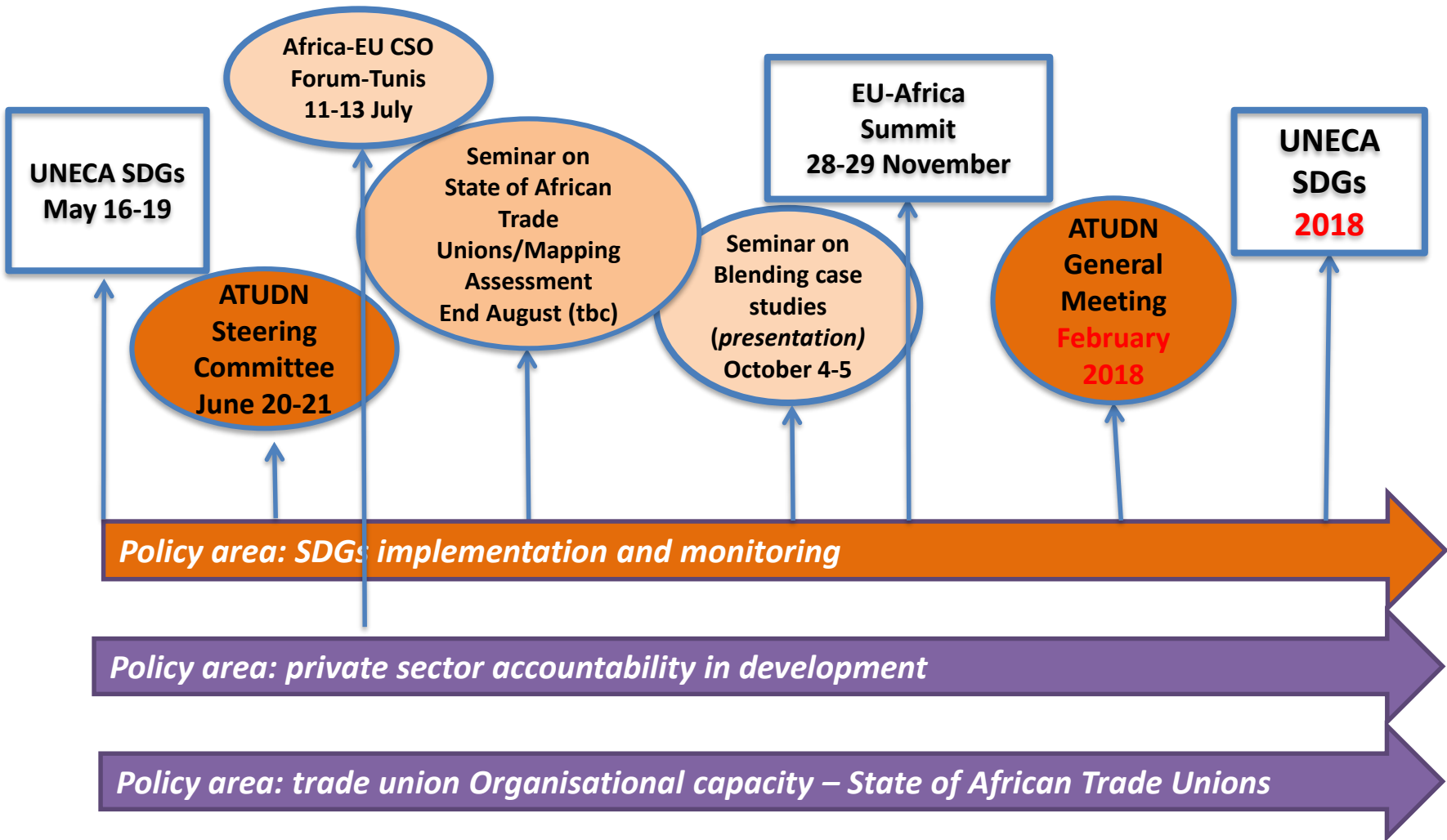
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Conclusions and closure



See you soon!

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