

TECHNICAL **INDICATOR DESCRIPTORS** 2015/16

PROGRAMME 6:
**INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL RELATIONS**



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PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.1.1:

Indicator title	Compile analyses and Briefs on current issues and recommendations
Short definition	Analyses refers to the synthesis of data in a manner that draws indications, inferences or bases for recommendations. A briefing note contains the facts, detailed information and/or a country position that should be used as a guide for a particular meeting.
Purpose/importance	The division leads or supports participation of the National Treasury and Ministry of Finance in various forums, including but not limited to those organised by WEF, G20, BRICS, SADC, SACU, WB, IMF, AU, UNECA, G24 and Commonwealth. In order to support the effort to maximise the value derived from engagements in these forums, the division will engage with relevant stakeholders, complete analyses and Briefing notes as necessary and communicate progress where appropriate.
Source/collection of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of generation of relevant briefing notes ad position papers • Evidence of interaction with stakeholders • Evidence of publication of issue briefs, progress reports and related documents
Method of calculation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of analyses compiled and distributed or submitted to relevant stakeholders and/or interested parties • Number of progress reports submitted to Cabinet • Number of domestic stakeholder engagements held to observe lessons learned from international meetings, for purposes of communicating future strategy to Cabinet
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Outputs and activities
Calculation type	Cumulative
Reporting cycle	Annual and Quarterly
New indicator	Substantially changed
Desired performance	Performance is as expected – several briefing notes are requested on an ad-hoc basis and prepared within required timeframes
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: International Economic Cooperation Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.1.2:

Indicator title	Support and monitor implementation of international agreements
Short definition	Ensuring that applicable international agreements, to which South Africa is a party, are implemented. Furthermore, the potential benefits and risks which South Africa incurs as a result of joining specific agreements should be identified by the Division.
Purpose/importance	To ensure that South Africa maintains a streamlined and prudent approach to subscribing to international agreements and; to ensure that South Africa complies with, and is able to demonstrate such compliance, to international agreements.
Source/collection of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of reviews having taken place, where the potential benefits and risks of specific agreements, are considered; and • Evidence of progress having been made on specific agreements, such as the SACU revenue-sharing formula.
Method of calculation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Progress made in implementation of agreements specified in the Annual Performance Plan; • Number of assessments of potential agreements completed and submitted to the relevant principals
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Outputs and activities
Calculation type	Cumulative
Reporting cycle	Annual
New indicator	Substantially changed
Desired performance	Performance will be evaluated on an annual basis
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: International Economic Cooperation Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.2.1:

Indicator title	Pursuit of institutional reform
Short definition	A campaign or measure aimed at achieving change, to improve specific institutional performance.
Purpose/importance	Institutions such as SADC and the AU have the potential to add immense value to South Africa and the continent, if they were able to operate more efficiently and effectively. This pursuit of institutional reform is intended to be achieved over the medium-term by offering support and analysing the root causes of challenges faced (where appropriate).
Source/collection of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of provision of capacity-building support or initiatives as planned; • Evidence of the provision of high-quality inputs and participation in key development policy processes
Method of calculation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of initiatives or interventions conducted, relative to the planned number • Extent of participation in key policy development processes, such as the IDA, ADF and G20 departmental working group.
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Outputs and activities
Calculation type	Cumulative
Reporting cycle	Annual
New indicator	Substantially changed
Desired performance	Robust engagement with targeted institutions, and strong participation in the working groups
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support Chief Directorate: International Development Funding Institutions Chief Directorate: International Projects

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.2.2:

Indicator title	Increased presence within institutions of particular strategic value
Short definition	Increasing South Africa's presence in strategically valuable institutions, such as the AfDB, World Bank, IMF and OECD; through appropriate means and measures, offer the prospects of increasing South Africa's influence in these institutions.
Purpose/importance	Increasing influence in these institutions is one of the means which SA can use to increase its voice and influence in Africa and work towards a more developed and self-sustainable continent.
Source/collection of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of having purchased AfDB shares made available to South Africa; • Evidence of having engaged with relevant stakeholders in these organisations on a range of issues
Method of calculation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volume of AfDB shares purchased, relative to the number made available in a given period of time; and • Number of engagements held relative to the number planned
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Output and impact
Calculation type	Cumulative for 3-5 years (MTEF cycle)
Reporting cycle	Annual
New indicator	Substantially changed
Desired performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An increased shareholding in AfDB shares to 6% • Engagement with external stakeholders • Appropriate participation in domestic working groups
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support Chief Directorate: International Development Funding Institutions Chief Directorate: International Projects

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.3.1:

Indicator title	Assessment of initial conditions and projects and plans to accelerate regional integration
Short definition	To empower decision-makers with an understanding of the status quo and constraints to increasing trade amongst countries in SSA
Purpose/importance	In order to develop a coherent strategy and refine implementation of the strategy of the medium-term, it is important to understand the status-quo and identify present constraints and opportunities available to increase trade in the region.
Source/collection of data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evidence of research conducted on relevant trade patterns • Evidence of having assessed specific constraints in greater detail
Method of calculation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of reports, submitted or distributed, relating to relevant trade patterns • Extent of assessment completed
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Activities and outputs
Calculation type	Cumulative
Reporting cycle	Annual
New indicator	Yes
Desired performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development of An Africa strategy • Targeted support to increase investment in infrastructure in SSA; through analysis of the opportunities and constraints
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support Chief Directorate: International Projects Chief Directorate: International Economic Cooperation

PERFORMANCE INDICATOR 6.2.3:

Indicator title	Expansion of relations with key strategic partners
Short definition	In order to exploit opportunities with key strategic partners, an alignment of interests and mutual awareness of available opportunities is necessary
Purpose/importance	This will help SA achieve its strategic objectives and contribute to increased economic activity in the region
Source/collection of data	Evidence of having collated evidence and analysed specific areas of cooperation, associated 'bottlenecks' and resolution of these challenges.
Method of calculation	Number of analyses completed and submitted to principals, and/or distributed to other stakeholders for further engagement or action
Data limitations	None
Type of indicator	Outputs, impact, and economy
Calculation type	Cumulative
Reporting cycle	Annual
New indicator	Yes
Desired performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of strategic partners; • Increased exchange of views and improved alignment of interests; and • Increased outreach and stronger information exchange on current policy debates and issues, particularly with EMDCs, especially in SSA
Indicator responsibility	Chief Directorate: African Integration and Support Chief Directorate: International Projects Chief Directorate: International Economic Cooperation