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# **South Africa in the World**

**Foreign policy, globalisation, and  
international relations: the region,  
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# African Renaissance I

- **Basis for South Africa's policy towards Africa from 1997. Difficult to define**
- **Not a program of action but a social process. Non-racialism, non-sexist**
- **Rallying cry for advancement, solidarity and Africanism**
- **Mix of foreign and domestic with SA as leader. Particularly African way forward**

# African Renaissance II

- **Mix of pan-Africanism with conventional desiderata of progress**
- **Repositioning of a people**
- **Negritude, Ubuntu, Black Consciousness**
- **Equality among nations, just, democratic system of international governance**
- **Failed to establish a political concept**
- **Consolidated a philosophical foundation**

# **NEPAD** New Partnership for Africa's Development I

- **Millennium Africa Renaissance Programme on Davos World Economic Forum 2001**
- **From NAI to NEPAD on OAU meetings 2001**
- **5+10 states Implementation Committee**
- **Self owned effort to strengthen Africa's profile and role in the international community**
- **Against exclusion in a globalising world**
- **Refusal to live with poor political leadership**

# **NEPAD** New Partnership for Africa's Development **II**

- **Joint responsibility for own situation as consequence of post-cold war isolation**
- **Mechanisms for conflict management**
- **Protecting democracy and human rights**
- **Maintaining macroeconomic stability**
- **Frameworks for financial markets**
- **Capacity of the states**
- **Education, health, role of women etc.**

# Importance of the African Union

- **Establishment of an African Parliament**
- **Establishment of a Court of Justice**
- **An economic, Social and Cultural Council**
- **Stronger continental authority**
- **Dealing with conflicts and deviations**

# Critique of NEPAD and AU

- **Top-down state-centred policy formulation**
- **Claim to speak for the people of Africa**
- **Challenge to national sovereignty**
- **Logical connection between common market and political union not yet developed**
- **Unconvincing conflict resolution efforts**
- **Mostly constructed for donor policies**
- **Outside support to weak**

# SADC's situation

- **Insufficient critique of Zimbabwe**
- **Undermined by NEPAD**
- **Divided by Western trade negotiations**



# Trade relations



- **EU free trade agreement with South Africa**
- **African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) of the US**
- **G8 projects of its African Action Plan**

# Part of global apartheid?

- **Mbeki: Global system of apartheid calls on same response as apartheid. Opposing neo-liberal market**

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