



CREATING THE ASTF

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Define the implementation arrangements of the ASTF

- Governance
- Operations
- Activities
- Funding
- Options for discussion

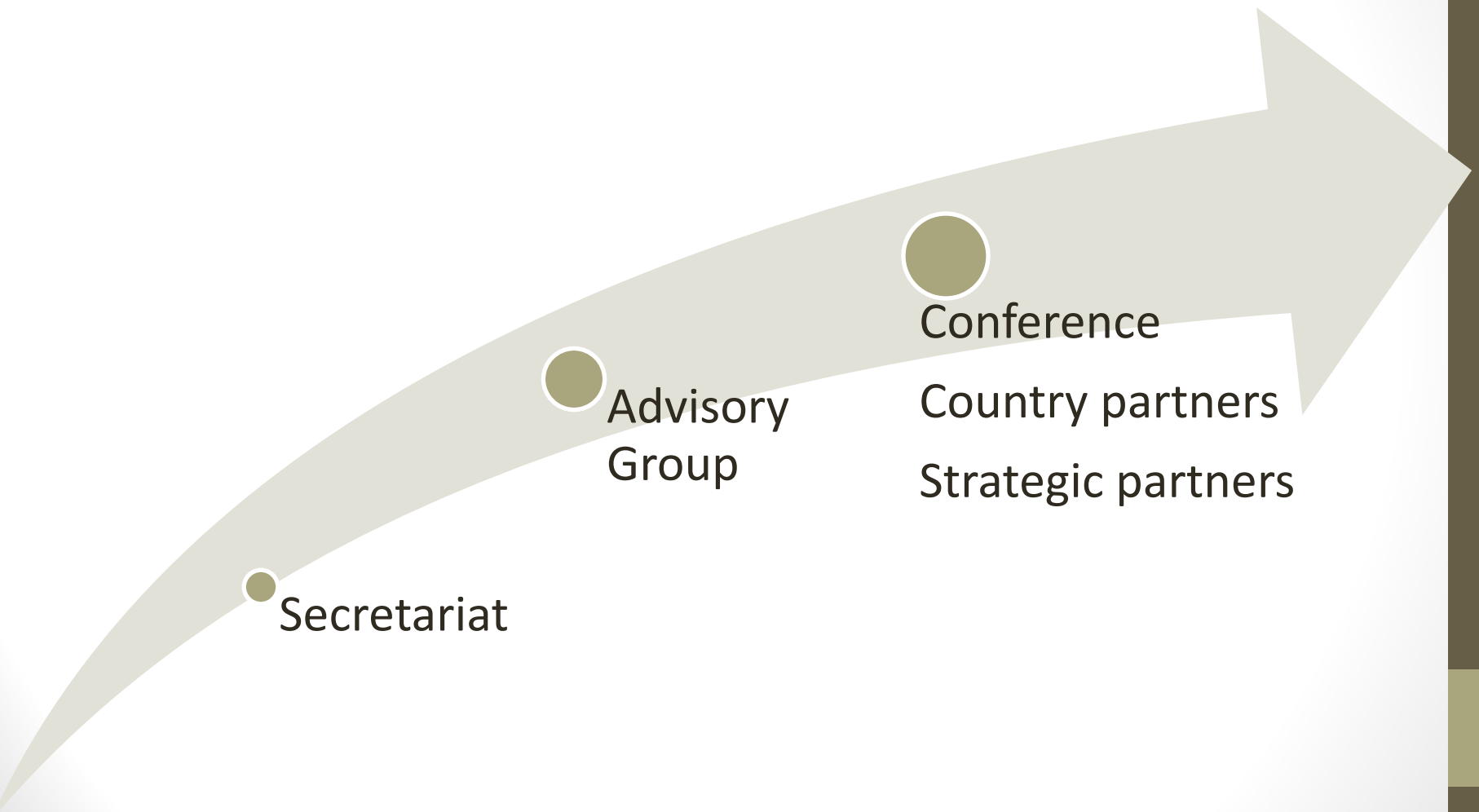
Role of ASTF (1/2)

- The ASTF is a forum designed to mainstream the concepts of sustainable transport and inclusive green growth into transport policies in Africa. The ASTF is intended as a platform for dialogue, knowledge sharing, and Africa-specific innovation on sustainable transport issues, oriented to policy makers at both national and sub-national levels.

Role of ASTF (2/2)

- Define and periodically revise framework for action and member countries' commitments under the forum.
- Provide opportunities for technical discussions among African policy makers and practitioners around sustainable transport commitments.
- Track and assess progress on various aspects of sustainable transport across Africa, and share that progress among members and with the international community
- Track and where appropriate channel opportunities to enhance sustainable transport outcomes in Africa, and share such opportunities among members
- Broker (organize and target, but not necessarily generate) the delivery of relevant capacity building, knowledge sharing events and initiatives, and staff exchanges
- Track activities and actions by country, city members and other partners of the ASTF, including compliance with commitments under framework for action

Governance of ASTF (1/5)



Governance of ASTF (2/5)

Country Partners

- Conference:
 - Update framework for action and commitments of countries under ASTF
 - Provide progress on various aspects of sustainable transport in their own country
 - Contribute to the ASTF in terms of sharing lessons learned and experiences in a continuous exchange of technical and policy expertise
 - Express demand for relevant capacity building, knowledge sharing events and initiatives, and staff exchanges
- Actions in country:
 - Implement framework for action

Governance of ASTF (3/5)

Strategic Partners

- Conference:
 - Contribute with their expertise and experience
- Country level:
 - Advance the dialogue through the various avenues for discussion
 - Support activities relating to capacity development, training, demonstration, advocacy and technical activities

Governance of ASTF (4/5)

Advisory Group:

- Role:
 - Set the strategic vision of the Forum
 - Provide broad direction on the implementation of the ASTF and its activities
 - Ensure the political support and championing that ASTF will need to ensure continuity
 - As focal points for their region, engage the sub-regional networks and partners including national and municipal governments -seeking their input on the approach of ASTF and its activities
 - Peer review key messages and guidance of ASTF as disseminated through toolkits, guidance documents and related documents
- Membership:
 - High level regional representatives from the five African Regions
 - Selected sustainable transport experts

Governance of ASTF (5/5)

Secretariat:

- Role:
 - Organize the biennial conferences and sub-regional workshops in partnership with country partners
 - Work with country partners to identify priority action areas for targeted technical and policy intervention
 - Coordinate technical support, knowledge sharing and capacity building to ASTF Country Partners in collaboration with ASTF Strategic Partners
 - Communicate, disseminate and promote the sustainable transport activities of all ASTF Partners
 - Fundraise for ASTF related activities and initiatives
 - Report back to all partners on a regular basis, ensuring a shared and agreed vision for sustainable transport in Africa is maintained
- Organization
 - The Secretariat for the first conference was hosted by UNEP.

Operations of ASTF

- Forum:
 - Open to all countries of Africa
- Conference:
 - Organized every other year
 - Different countries will take the lead and organize and host the conferences.
 - During alternate years, sub-regional conferences will be organized in some or all of the five African regions.

Activities of ASTF

- Monitoring of progress on various aspects of sustainable transport across Africa
- Capacity building, knowledge sharing events and initiatives, and staff exchanges

Funding of ASTF

- Initial funding provided by Trust Funds at the World Bank (South Africa, Trade Facilitation Facility, Africa Transport Policy Program), in-kind contribution from UNEP and UN-Habitat
- Funding available from Korean Green Growth Trust Fund for ASTF activities

Discussion (1/2)

- Governance (structure, roles)
- Country partners (voting members)
- Strategic partners (observers)
- Advisory group (number of countries-5, number of experts, designation of experts proposed by advisory group for endorsement by conference)
- African institutionalization – link with Conferences of African Ministers of Transport and Environment

Discussion (2/2)

- Frequency of conference (annual, biennial with regional conferences in between)
- Location of conference
- Structure of conference (experts' days, ministerial session)
- Location of secretariat
- Activities (monitoring, capacity building, knowledge sharing, not implementation)
- Funding