



## **PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy and Planned Activities**

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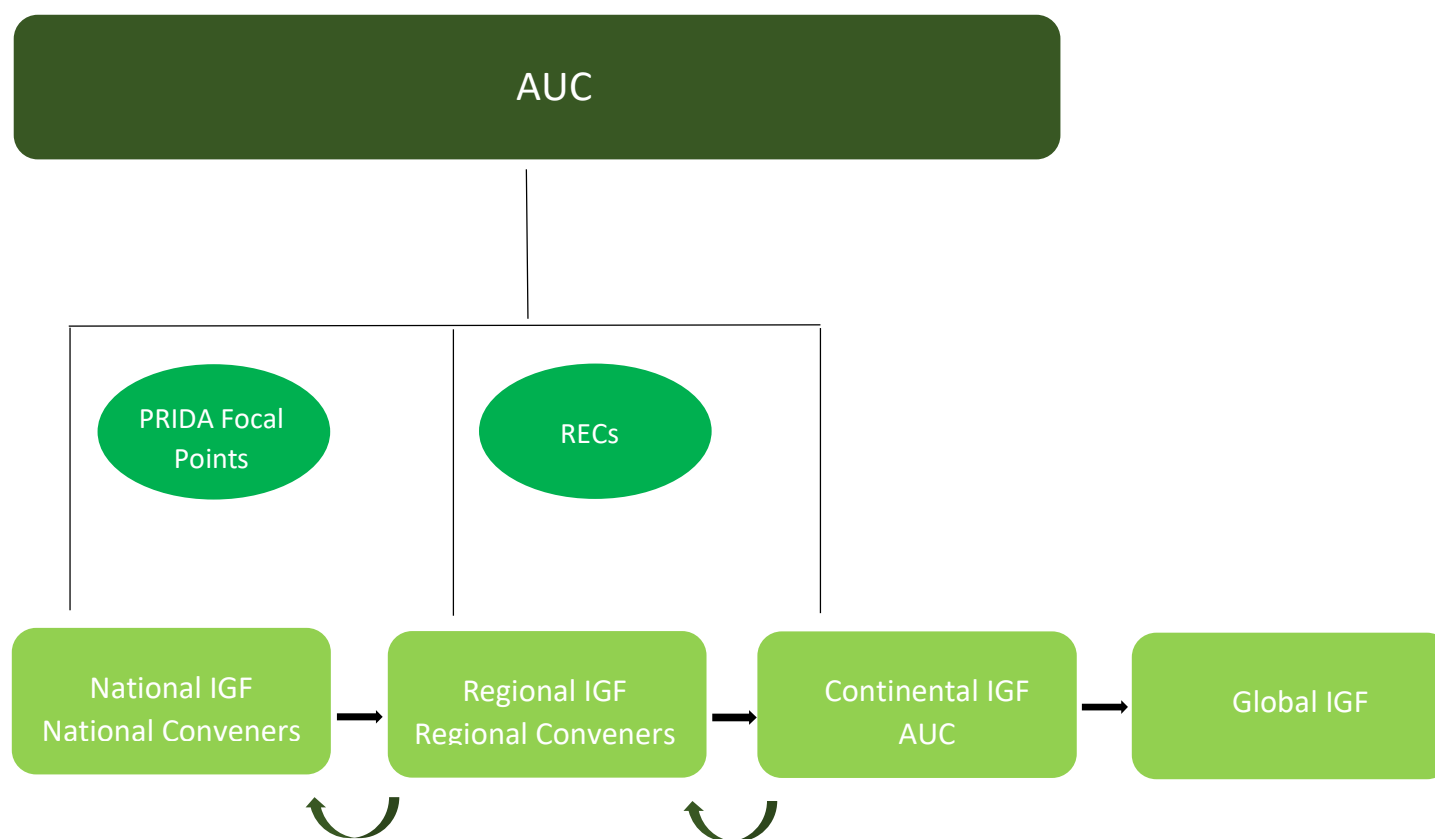
# What is PRIDA?

PRIDA is a joint initiative of the African Union (AU), the European Union (EU) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU).

- ✓ Aims at enabling the African continent to reap the benefits of digitalization:
  - By addressing various dimensions of broadband demand and supply in Africa;
  - By monitoring and evaluating the harmonization of ICT/ Telecommunications' policies, legal and regulatory frameworks;
  - **By streamlining the Internet Governance (IG) structures and processes; and building the capacities of AU Member States in the IG space.**

PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy has two tracks:

1. To strengthen the IG structures and processes at the **national**, **regional** and **continental** levels.
  - Streamlining the policy development processes at all these levels and;
  - Coordinating African's participation in IG matters at the Global level
2. To build and develop capacity and offer coaching services to the Internet Community and Diplomats of Member States.
  - Strengthening the ability of African stakeholders to actively participate in the global IG processes (policy and technical debates) and;
  - Developing negotiation skills before and during International meetings where decisions are taken.



# What has PRIDA Done So Far? <sup>u3</sup>



1. Three assessment studies done between April and July 2019
2. A **Validation workshop** for the assessment studies, **IGF toolkit** and the planned contextualized training modules was held in **November 2019**
3. Draft PRIDA Internet Governance Implementation Strategy is available

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# What has PRIDA Done So Far?

- a) Harmonization of national, regional and continental IGFs
  - I. IGF Toolkit to be used for the National, Regional and Continental IGFs is available (French and English).
  - II. Rationalised Scheduling of IGFs and IG schools **from 2020**
    - a) All National IGFs to be held between **January and June** of each year
    - b) All regional IGFs to be held between **July and September** each year
    - c) African IGF to be held in **October** each year
  - III. Support to Regional IG schools and Regional IGFs
  
- b) Capacity **building** and **development**
  - I. **Eleven (11)** Training modules developed and tested
  - II. **Seventy (70)** Regional Trainers Trained in May 2019 in Addis Ababa
  - III. Collaboration with DIPLO to **contextualize** the content for African Internet stakeholders and **Diplomats**

# Next Steps for PRIDA

1. Finalization of the PRIDA IG implementation strategy
2. Finalization of the **study on sustainability** of IG trainings
3. Support the **creation** of National IGFs where they do not exist and continue supporting Regional and Continental IGFs
4. Develop **contextualized Online** and Offline training modules for the **Internet Community** with embedded Certification (French & English)
5. Develop contextualized Online and Offline training modules for **Diplomats** with embedded Certification (French & English)
6. Complete Development of a **Digital Platform** to be hosted by AUC
7. Develop a **framework for digital policy clinic** for on demand coaching
8. Foster **Communities of Practice** around IG, composed of researchers, practitioners, technical experts and policy makers





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