

The Abuja Treaty: Six stages over 34 years

1 1999

- Establishing RECs
- Strengthening RECs

2 2007

- Harmonisation of RECs' activities
- Stabilisation of tariffs
- Sectoral integration

3 2017

- Free Trade Area
- Customs Union in each REC

4 2019

- Coordination and harmonisation of RECs' tariff and non-tariff systems

5 2023

- African Common Market
- Common policies

6 2028

- Integration of all sectors
- African Central Bank
- African currency
- Pan-African Parliament