Abbreviations and acronyms

AfCFTA	African Continental Free Trade Area
AfDB	African Development Bank
AMU	Arab Maghreb Union
ASEAN	Association of Southeast Asian Nations
AU	African Union
AUC	African Union Commission
CEMAC	Economic and Monetary Community of Central Africa
CEN-SAD	Community of Sahel-Saharan States
CET	Common External Tariff
	Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa
	Development Assistance Committee
EAC	East African Community
ECCAS	Economic Community of Central African States
ECI	Economic Complexity Index
ECOWAS	Economic Community of West African States
EU	European Union
FDI	Foreign direct investment
GCI	Global Competitiveness Index
GDP	Gross Domestic Product
GI	Geographical Indication
GII	Global Innovation Index
	Global value chain
ICT	Information and Communications Technology
IFF	Illicit financial flows
ILO	International Labour Organization
	International Monetary Fund
	International Standard Industrial Classification
ISO	International Standards Organization
ITC	International Trade Center
LAC	Latin America and the Caribbean
LCA	Latent Comparative Advantage
MNEs	Multinational enterprises
	Manufacturing Value Added
NEPAD	New Economic Partnership for Africa's Development
	Non-tariff barrier
OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
	One Stop Border Post
	Programme for Infrastructure Development in Africa
	Public-Private Partnership
R&D	Research and development
RCA	Revealed Comparative Advantage
REC	Regional Economic Community
RVC	Regional value chain
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SAPP	Southern Africa Power Pool
SCT	Single Customs Territory
SEZ	Special Economic Zone
SGB	Small Growing Business

- **SME** Small and medium-sized enterprise
- SSA Sub-Saharan Africa
- STEM Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics
- **TVET** Technical and Vocational Education and Training
 - **UN** United Nations
- **UNCTAD** United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
 - **UNIDO** United Nations Industrial Development Organization **VAT** Value added tax
- WAEMU West African Economic and Monetary Union
 - WAMZ West African Monetary Zone
 - **WEF** World Economic Forum
 - WTO World Trade Organization
 - **XOF** West African franc
 - ZAR South African rand



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