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United Nations system support for Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want

1. At its 14th meeting, on 22 May 2024, the Committee considered the report of the Secretary-General entitled “United Nations system support for Agenda 2063: The Africa We Want” ([E/AC.51/2024/5](#)).

Discussion

2. Some delegations emphasized the importance of strategic coordination between the United Nations and the African Union, with particular focus on the role of the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa, and highlighted the need to strengthen system-wide coherence in that regard. Another delegation asked about the Office’s initiatives to address the digital divide, especially at the subregional level. A delegation expressed support for the report’s focus on education and artificial intelligence, while another asked about private sector involvement and expressed support for the emphasis on intergovernmental coordination to advance progress.

Conclusions and recommendations

3. **The Committee commended the Secretary-General on the report and recommended that the General Assembly invite the International Telecommunication Union to accelerate digital transformation in Africa by promoting capacity development activities through projects distributed equitably across the various subregions of the continent.**

4. **The Committee welcomed the establishment of the African Union-United Nations high-level strategic dialogue on sustainable development to enhance**



strategic coordination between the United Nations and the African Union and recommended that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to submit in the next programme plan the responsibilities of programme 9 in supporting these new mechanisms.

5. The Committee recommended that the General Assembly request the Secretary-General to continue working on unleashing the potential of food systems, in particular by exploring the interlinkages between food systems and energy, digitalization and climate adaptation.

6. The Committee recommended that the General Assembly take note with appreciation of the conclusions and recommendations contained in paragraph 56 of the report.
