



African Initiative for Combating Desertification (AI-CD)

Progress and Achievements of AI-CD in Horn of Africa Region from 2016 to 2022

Towards Achieving Resilient Africa

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Objectives and Outputs for AI-CD

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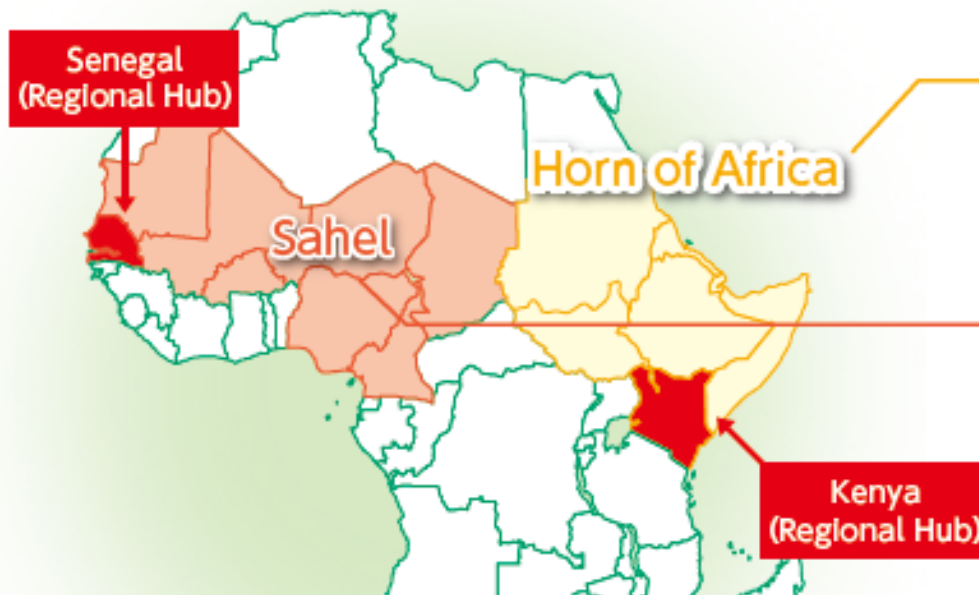
Objectives: To contribute to:

- 1) Making nations and communities resilient to climate change by promoting measures for combating desertification
- 2) Raising awareness of the international community to desertification

**Output 1:
Networking**

**Output 2:
Knowledge-sharing**

**Output 3:
Access to Finance**



Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, **Kenya***,
Somalia, South Sudan, Sudan

(* Indicates the regional hub of each region)

Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Mali,
Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria, **Senegal***

Duration: 2016 – 2022

(TICAD 6) (TICAD 8)

Implementation Structure for AI-CD

Co-organizers

- Kenya



- Senegal



- JICA



- Secretariat
Global Env. Dept., JICA
- Support Team
(OCG/EHC)



- UNCCD



Participating Countries

**7 countries in the
Horn of Africa**

➤ Regional Hub: Kenya
(Core Project: CADEP-SFM)

**8 Countries in the
Sahel**

➤ Regional Hub: Senegal

Partner Organizations

-FAO



-GEF



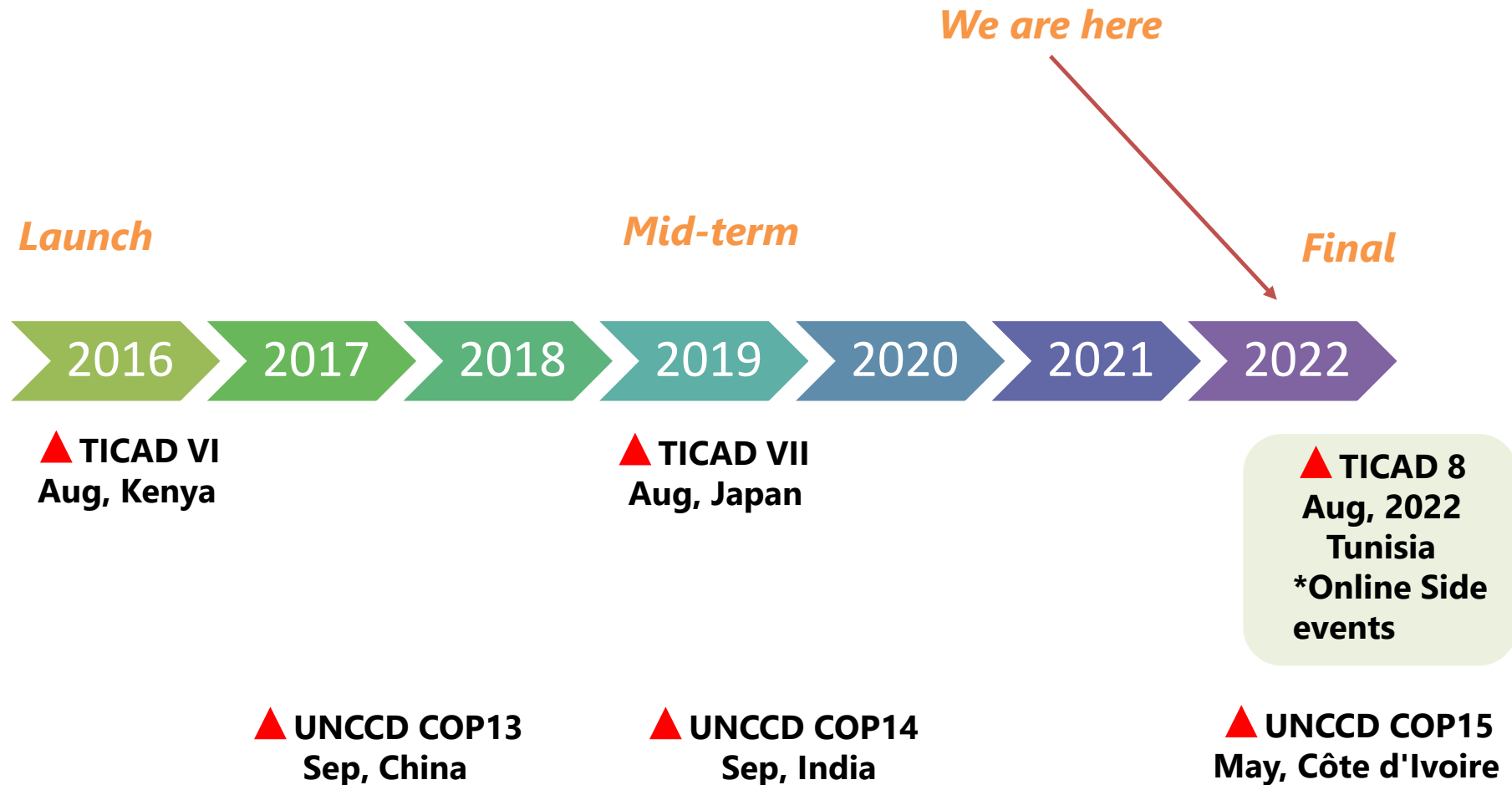
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AI-CD Timeframe








TICAD: Tokyo International Conference on African Development

**Progress, Achievement and
Way forward for
Horn of Africa**



1. Building Network in Horn of Africa

Regional Forum for Horn of Africa (HoA):5 events held

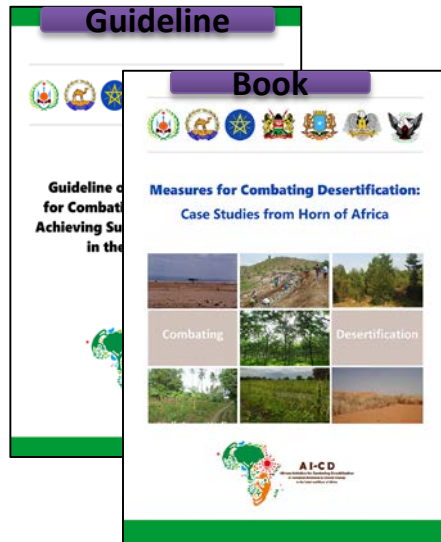
Event	Aim	Pictorial
1 st Regional Forum (February 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creating awareness of AI-CD• Developing TORs including responsibilities and activities of HoA countries	
2 nd Forum: Ministerial Forum (June 2017)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promotion of AI-CD at political level and mainstreaming of AI-CD into countries policies and plans	
3 rd Regional Forum (May 2019)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resource mobilization through Project Concept Note (PCN) development• Facilitate discussion with Development Partners	
4 th Regional Forum (Virtual meeting) (December 2020)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appraise progress of AI-CD in Horn of Africa	
5 th Regional Forum (Virtual meeting) (August 2021)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appraise gains of the Initiative from 2016 to 2021 (Final Regional Forum for HoA)	

1. Building Network in Horn of Africa- cont'd

Regional Technical Workshop for Horn of Africa (2 workshops held)

Event	Aim	Pictorial
1 st Regional Technical Training Workshop (September 2017)	Build capacity on collection, documentation and sharing Good Practices	
2 nd Regional Technical Training Workshop (October 2018)	Build capacity on repackaging information for end users eg. Farmers, Extension workers	

2. Knowledge Sharing



Book and Guideline

All seven Horn of Africa countries contributed information on combating desertification



Developed brochures on good practices



Developed a portal on KEFRI website for sharing Good Practices and Case Studies from Africa

<https://www.kefri.org/cadep>

3. Access to Finance

- Developed project concept notes which were expected to transit to proposals for submission to targeted development partners.
- Facilitated to identify opportunities for funding from development partners



4. Major Achievements

- Build networks among Horn of Africa countries through Regional Forums
- Capacity built for partners in Horn of Africa through Regional Forums and Technical Training Workshops
- Developed tools for identifying, collecting and documenting good practices
- Shared lessons, knowledge and experience from Horn of Africa countries on combating desertification
- Produced various knowledge materials e.g. books, brochures, case studies/good practices

5. Causal Effect of AI-CD

Held Technical Study Tour for South Sudan government in 2019



The study tour was organized as triangular cooperation in the Horn of Africa under AI-CD to build and strengthen the regional network and share knowledge.

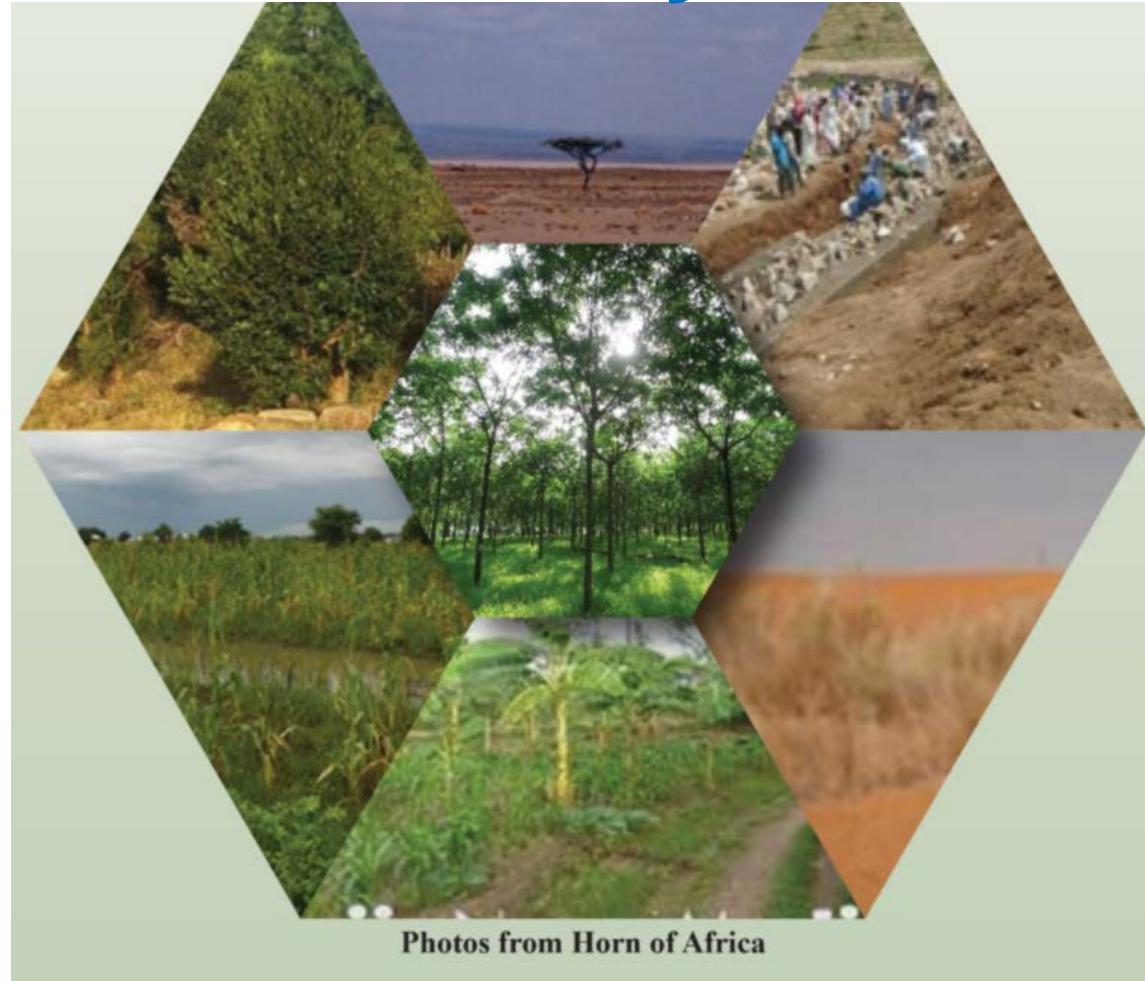
6. Way forward

- How do we continue the collaboration within the HoA and Sahel region?
- **Proposals:**
 1. Establish issue-based networks for knowledge sharing
 2. Undertake needs assessment
 3. Build capacity based on the needs assessment

Scope:

AI-CD Horn of Africa and Sahel regions
as well as other Sub-Sahara African countries

Thank you



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