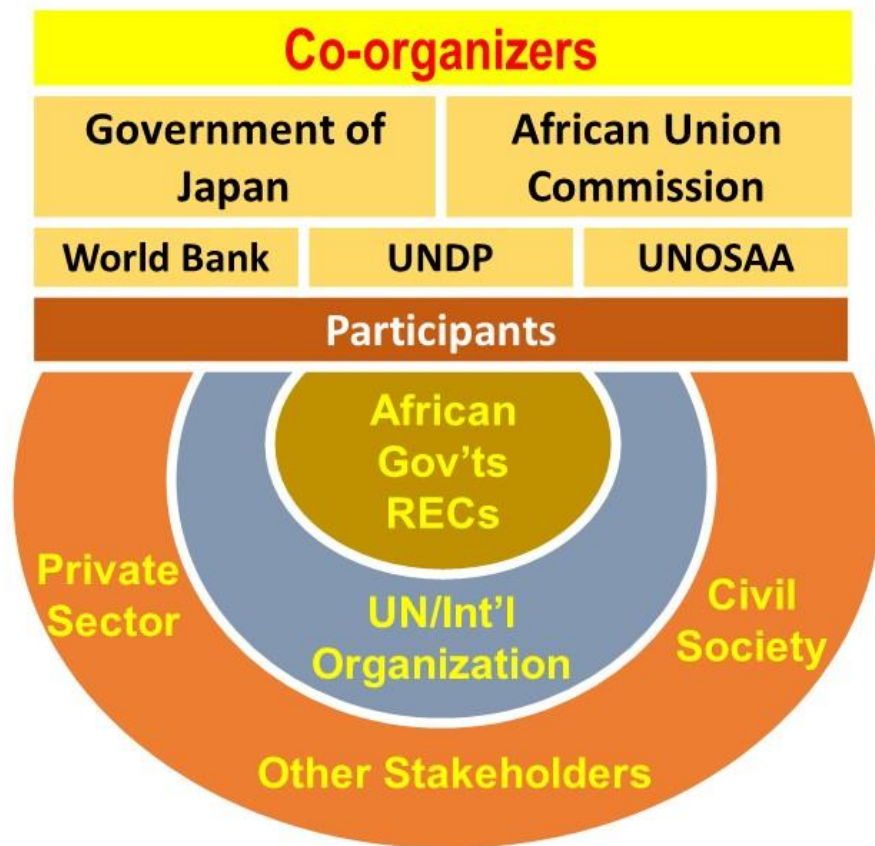




BASICS of TICAD

A “multilateral” conference for African Development



5 things to know about TICAD

Unique Multilateral Structure: African Union Commission (AUC) is one of the co-organizers with the concept of “ownership-partnership”

Open to UN and Int'l Orgs: Most of the UN agencies and international organizations are invited.

Comparatively Open to Civil Society: Civil society organizations can participate in the conference with certain process

In reality, bilateral business conference: TICAD is more “Africa-Japan business forum” to invite Japanese companies to Africa

PM's Opening Remarks is the most important: Official outcome “XX Declaration” is not important...people focus on PM's pledges

- ◆ **Long history:** 30 years. First TICAD was in 1993
- ◆ AUC joined the co-organizers in 2011.
- ◆ Since 2016, held every 3 years in Japan and African countries in rotation manner.
- ◆ Three-stories structure: SOM, Ministerial, Summit



BASICS of TICAD 9

Opportunities and Challenges

Date: August 20-22, 2025 (SOM and Ministerial Meeting: Aug 18-19 or so)

Venue: Pacifico Yokohama (30 km south of Tokyo)

Outcomes: (1) Yokohama Declaration and Action Plan, (2) Pledges

Slogan: “Co-creating Innovative Solutions with Africa”

- Promotion of innovation including digitalization
- Engagement of Women and Youth
- Public and Private Partnership
- Inclusive and responsible global governance

Basic Agenda (2 days):

- Opening Ceremony (PM Pledges)
- Sessions (Society, Economy and Peace/Stability)
- Closing Ceremony (approve declaration)

Process for TICAD 9 Summit

Aug 2024: Ministerial Meeting (Tokyo)

Mar 6, 2025: Co-organizers Meeting (Tokyo)

Early June 2025: Co-organizers Meeting (Addis)

Aug 18-19, 2025: SOM and Ministerial (Yokohama)

Aug 20-22, 2025: TICAD 9

Civil Society Participation: Opportunities **Process for TICAD 9**

- Addis Co-organizers meeting: a multistakeholder dialogue is planned
- MoFA-African CS Dialogue (May, July)

Participation of African CS

- Co-organizers fund several representatives of African civil society (in the past: SOM/MM 5, Summit 10)
- Intervention in the Summit
- Intervention for the draft declaration
- Side Event: 10 Rooms x 10 Time slots (90 min)
 - [call for application: by April 25](#)



Health Advocacy for TICAD 9 Opportunities and Challenges

TICAD is not a conference for health. But it has been used as a key momentum of health advocacy in both aspects of policy and finance.

- Mainstreaming UHC (TICAD VI Nairobi 2016)
- Financing multilateral health organizations: GAVI (TICAD7 2019), GF (TICAD8 2022)

Civil Society Advocacy for TICAD

Japan Side

Africa Side

Japanese Civil Society Coalition

Japan TICAD NGO Liaison Group (2023-)

Civic Commission for Africa (CCfA)

A coordination group for TICAD advocacy (2007-)

Co-organizers (GoJ)

Widening civic spaces

Policy advocacy for thematic issues

Strengthening collaboration with key stakeholders

Towards TICAD9

Originally, the priority for health is low main focus: push Japanese companies to Africa (future center of growth, competition with China, etc.)

- Society: focus on mainstreaming youth and women (Women/Youth, Peace and Security)
- Health: Africa Health and Well-being Initiative (AfHWIN): support Japanese private sector to work in Africa, increased share of Japanese products in public procurement for health

USAID closure and aid termination shocked Japanese Gov't and MPs

- They recognize the possible catastrophic situation of health in Africa

Advocacy for the 8th Replenishment of the GF

- Sense of emergency: Prevent health catastrophe
- Showing strong will for DRM / finish dependency and develop equal partnership



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