

# IMPACT & KEY ECONOMIC REFORMS





An Era of Structural Reforms and Economic Growth Inspired and supported by NES advocacy, - the Government developed, "National Economic Empowerment Development Strategy" (NEEDS),

NES #7 to #12 - platforms for deepening meaningful reforms and articulating policy, legislative and regulatory actions that accelerated economic growth and development

expanded

Commission

Based on NES recommendations, strategic

• The National Council on Privatisation and the

Nigerian Investment Promotion Council and

National Competitiveness Committee

reform institutions were created, and

**Bureau of Public Enterprises** 

Investment Climate Committee

Bureau of Public Procurement

The Due Process Office

#### strategic implication and imperative of NEEDS-SEEDS-LEEDS –

- was empowering the private sector and private enterprises to become the engine of growth in Nigeria
  redefining and re-
- emphasising the role of government, to policy and regulation

# NES#7 (2000)

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- Recommended Private sector as engine of economic growth, public sector to enable, support and facilitate economic development;
- Maximise oil wealth and use to develop non-oil economy;
- Refocus NIPC to become more facilitative and reorientate other facilitative agencies (CAC, Customs, Immigration, NAFDAC)

#### NES#10 (2003)

- work on NEEDS to anchor future budget and economic policies;
- Presidential assent to Electric Power Sector Reform Bill and target generation of 10,000MW;
- Grant 5 years' tax holiday to SMEs and reduce the tax rate to 10%.

## **Broad Summary of the NESG Recommendations 2000-2006**

#### NES #8 (2001)

NES#11 (2005)

• Focus including gas and

power, food security.

and property; and

financial and macroeconomic

stability and security of life

• Further, deepen public and

private sector partnership.

- Action agenda for the future (job creation, security, social and physical infrastructure, sector reforms/privatisation and investment climate);
- An action plan to Strengthen private/public sector partnership.

#### NES#9 (2002)

- Relentlessly pursue credible reforms with a long-term perspective;
- Priorities innovation and promotion of entrepreneurship to accelerate economic growth and development,
- Involve the private sector in the design and implementation of NEPAD

#### NES#12 (2006)

- Consolidate the gains and broaden the ownership of and support for NEEDS,
- Identify policy implementation constraints and address them

# The NES and Reforming Institutions

# NES IMPACT IN THE VISION 2020:20 ERA (2007 - 2019)

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The Vision 2020:20 Era saw the Nigerian Economy move from semi-open to open (2007 – 2019), it was characterized by four successive political electoral cycles and transitions. This phase was accentuated by one Long-Term Economic Agenda, the Vision 2020:20 and four National Medium-Term Strategies and Plans Seven-Point Agenda, the GEJ Era had the Transformation Agenda, and the PMB Era had the Economic Recovery and Growth Plan

The Nigerian Economic Summits played a vital role in gaining national consensus for the Long Term and Medium-Term Strategies and Plans of this phase and its role as Watchdog, Dialogue Partner, Connector and Intervener, signaling the first Maturity Model for the NESG as a Think Tank Organisation

NES convening's reflected the economic agenda and provided the vital watchdog role in measuring the performance of the country against the key performance indicators of the Vision 2020, and leveraged variance analysis and reform action planning to follow-up on implementation.

#### **KEY IMPACT OF NES IN THIS PHASE**



- Guaranteeing productivity and well-being of the people;
- Optimising key sources of economic growth;
- Fostering sustainable social and economic development through the building of institutions such as the policing system and judicial, ensure transparency and accountability in institutions; and enthroning the respect for the rule of law and the security of life and properties.

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### **NES RECOMMENDATION**

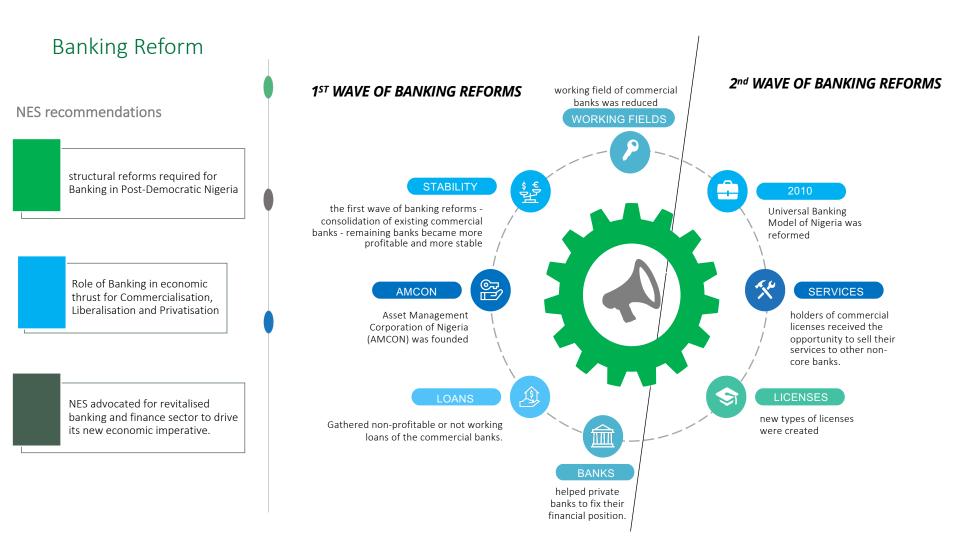
One of the immediate benefits of NES#17 was it stimulated the most comprehensive cost-based, and investment-focused sector master plans in Nigeria's history, leading to the most extensive sector by sector investment promotion in drive in Modern Nigeria. The NES noted that given the key sector plans private sector investments across all sectors had to grow to between \$35Billion to \$40 Billion per annum.

#### IMPACT DEVELOPMENT OF PLANS & POLICIES

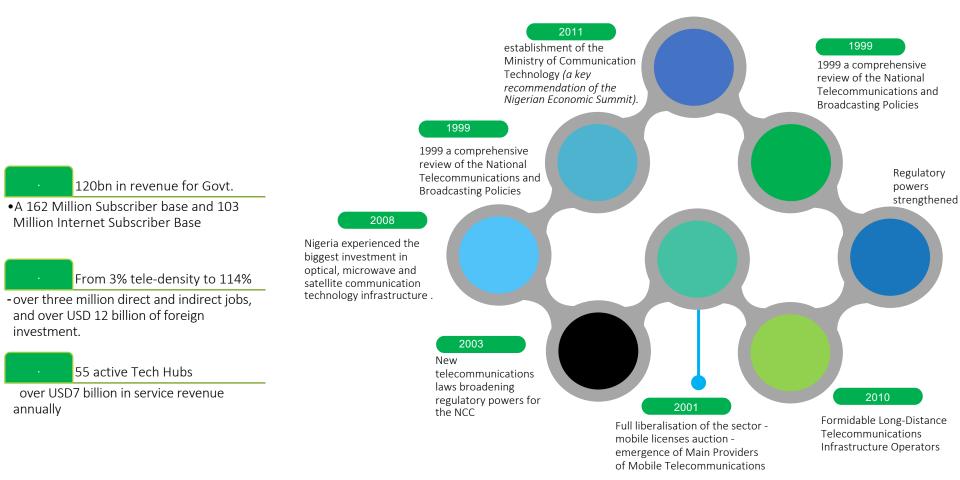
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Agriculture Sector Transformation Plan;	Capital Market Master Plan;	Education Sector Master Plan;	E-Government Master Plan;	Gas Master Plan;	Maritime Sector Development Strategy and Plan;	National Automotive Development Policy;	National Aviation Sector Master Plan and Reform Policy;	National Broadband Development Plan and Sector ICT Policy;	National Industrial Revolution Plar
National Integrated Infrastructure Master Plan;	National Transport Policy;	National Youth Development Plan;	Nigerian Sugar Development Master Plan;	Petroleum Industry Reform Plan and Policy (Petroleum Industry Bill).	Power Sector Reform Roadmap;	Road Infrastructure Master Plan;	The Nigerian Rail Master Plan	Tourism Master Plan	

Nigeria experienced strong growth in investments, and it peaked in 2014, before a decline due to the lack of prudent fiscal governance and much needed structural reforms.





# **Telecommunications Sector Reform**

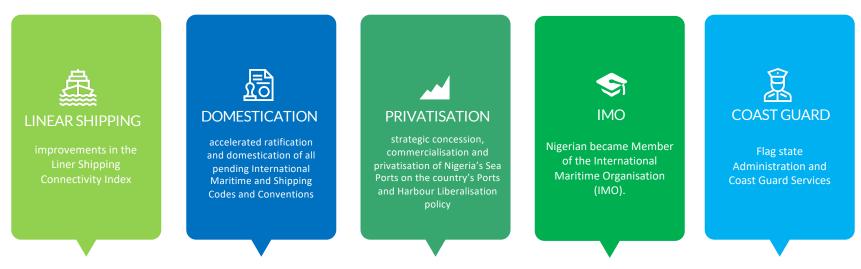


# Maritime and Seaport Reforms

**NES Recommendation** 

to liberalise Shipping and Maritime Sector led to some fundamental reforms.

#### Impact



# **Energy Sector Reform**

#### Impact



#### **Renewable Energy**

The Nigerian Renewable Energy Roundtable (NiRER) was established in 2017 as an action-oriented partnership of relevant stakeholders committed to resolving the bottlenecks that limit the expansion of Nigeria's on-grid and off-grid renewable energy market. Since its establishment, the Roundtable has established itself as a mainstay on Renewable Energy (RE) issues in Nigeria. NiRER's key engagements include the Validation of the Renewable Energy Electricity Bill and its subsequent integration into the Electricity Sector Reform Amendment Act.



# Reforms and Policy Advocacy 2019 - 2022

Private and Confidential

# **NES Recommendation**

## Medium-Term National Development Plans and Nigeria Agenda 2050



#### **NES RECOMMENDATION**

At the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Nigerian Economic Summit, the NESG vividly depicted 3 scenarios of Nigeria in 2050. The Group also set the tone for the development of the Agenda 2050 as the subsisting National Development Plans, including the Nigeria Vision 20:2020 and Economic Recovery and Growth Plan (2017-2020) expired in December 2020.

# IMPACT

Therefore, the Federal Government of Nigeria (FGN), through the Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning, commenced developing the successor National Development Plan (NDP) 2021-2025 in the last quarter of year 2020 through to the first quarter of the year 2021.

The NESG providing the much-needed private sector participation in the planning process within the thematic working group and steering committee The Ministry also simultaneously embarked on a 30year vision for the country through the development of the "Nigeria Agenda 2050". In true commitment to the standing partnership between the FGN and the NESG (representing the private sector), the Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning relied on the NESG to provide the much-needed private sector participation in the National Development Planning process.





# SPORTS INDUSTRY REFORMS

- The NESG Sports Industry Thematic Group collaborated with the Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development (FMYSD) to develop the National Sports Industry Policy (NSIP).
- The Draft National Sports Industry Policy (NSIP) was officially presented to the Honourable Minister, Federal Ministry of Youth and Sports Development (FMYSD), Mr. Sunday Dare on the 28th of July, 2020.

# AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY

- The NESG Agriculture and Food Security Policy Commission (AFSPC) has been collaborating with the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA) to catalyse an agricultural transformation that seeks to double the incomes of at least 30 million farm households across Africa.
- The collaboration has resulted in key interventions in the agriculture sector and the passing into law of major bills such as the National Agricultural Seeds Council Bill 2019, the National Fertilizer Quality Control Bill 2019 and the Plant Variety Protection Bill 2021.

# TRADE, FISCAL & INVESTMENT POLICIES

- The NESG Trade, Investment and Competitiveness Policy Commission (TICPC) engaged the Federal Ministry of Industry, Trade, and Investment towards developing a 21<sup>st</sup> century Trade and Investment Policies for Nigeria.
- The Policy Commission was also involved in extensive engagement and consultation with the Federal Government towards the signing of the Africa Continental Free Trade Agreement (ACFTA).
- On the 15th of March 2018, in collaboration with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF), the NESG inaugurated a private-sector initiative called the NESG Fiscal Policy Roundtable ("FPR"). The roundtable contributed to the Finance Act.
- We also instituted the Debt Management Roundtable (DMR) on debt restructuring and social financing in March 2021 with the support of the Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA) to provide insights, evidence and recommendations on debt management and sustainability in the West African region, using Nigeria as a case study.



# DIGITAL ECONOMY POLICIES

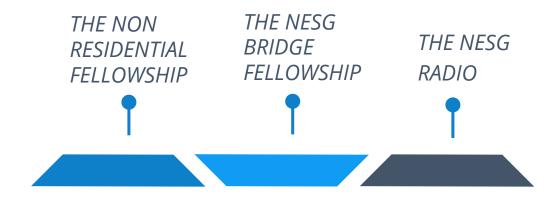
## HEALTH

- After the approval of the creation of the Digital Economy Policy Commission by the Board in 2020, the Policy Commission has sustained collaboration with the Ministry of Communications and Digital Economy over the years towards developing Nigeria's Digital Economy. This has resulted in the approval and inauguration of the Digital Economy Industry Working Group by the Minister to provide a continuous and sustainable framework for collaboration between the public and private sectors toward developing the Digital Economy ecosystem in Nigeria.
- The Policy Commission was also involved in the policy advocacy process for the passage of the Nigeria Start-Up Bill. The Policy Commission is currently collaborating with the Policy Innovation Centre (PIC) toward implementing the FCDO DAP project on building sustainable digital inclusion in 5 states across the country.
- The Health Policy Commission has focused on driving reforms that guarantee not only health for all but health by all in the Nigerian health system. Recently, the Policy Commission engaged the Federal Ministry of Health with its White Paper on Enhancing the Local Production of Medicines and Vaccines in Nigeria in the 2nd quarter of 2022. Consequently, the Policy Commission was invited to the Stakeholders Meeting to develop the National Strategic Plan for the Nigeria Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Sector.
- In response to the call for Memoranda on the Health Sector Reform Programme, the Health Policy Commission submitted two policy memos to the Secretariat of the Health Reform Committee chaired by the Vice President, Professor, Yemi Osinbajo, SAN, GCON.

COVID-19	RESPONSES,	PROGRAMMES,
ACT	IVITIES AND	REPORTS

- The Group embarked on the following:
- The COVID-19 Incidence and Response Tracker and Mega Dashboard and the COVID-19 Predictive Analytics Platform were both launched in collaboration with The Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 and the Nigeria Governors' Forum (NGF))
- The Group also leveraged its research capacity to provide Policy Advisory and Diagnostic Support to the government. A total of five (5) Scenario briefs (3) economic scenarios and framing reports and two policy advisory notes) were used to engage the Presidency, Economic Advisory Council and Key Economic Ministers.
- Policy Commissions were supported to pivot their approach from in-person engagements to online engagements and leveraged the NESG's digital channels for Public-Private Dialogues. The Policy Commissions also organised a series of webinars on the impact of the pandemic on their various sectors.

# Other Initiatives Include:





Federal Ministry of Finance, Budget and National Planning



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