

Organisation of African Unity/African Union and the Challenges of Realizing Objectives

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Abstract

This paper examines the challenges which the OAU and the AU have faced in realizing the objectives for the organization. It is divided into two main parts. Part one (Section 2) examines the origin OAU and its objectives. It discusses the process which the organisation went through in realizing its objectives and the challenges experienced. Part two (Sections 3 and 4) of the paper discusses the factors which led into the transition from OAU to AU. It examines the objectives of the African Union and the programmes that the AU has put in place to enable it fulfil its objectives. The paper concludes by examining the challenges which the AU is facing in realizing its objectives and makes recommendations on sustainable strategies that the organisation can develop to enable it to meet its objectives in the future.