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### **Report in Focus**



### IDB-OECD Report Highlights Caribbean Regional Integration and Development Opportunities

Caribbean Development Dynamics is a new annual flagship report by the OECD Development Centre and the Inter-American Development Bank that analyzes key development trends in the Caribbean with a comparative and multi-dimensional approach. This publication is the result of a fruitful dialogue between the two institutions

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#### **Key Developments across the Global South**



#### India becomes fourth largest devices market

India's medical device sector is recognized as a sunrise sector due to its growth potential driven by rising healthcare needs, technological innovations, government support, and emerging market opportunities.

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## **Training Boosts Transboundary Water Cooperation** in Uganda

With several of Africa's 64 transboundary rivers still lacking legal frameworks for cooperation, effective governance of shared water resources remains critical. Climate change, population growth and increased water demands are intensifying pressure on shared waters, making international water law an indispensable tool for fostering collaboration and unlocking investment in sustainable transboundary water management.

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## Eswatini Finalizes Funding Framework for its First Public Radiotherapy Centre

Eswatini is taking tangible steps to prepare for its first public radiotherapy centre to enable cancer patients to be treated incountry, according to a team of international experts. The experts, appointed by the IAEA,

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# Cairo Declaration reaffirms D-8 leaders' commitment to sustainable development, economic cooperation

Leaders and representatives of the participating countries in the D-8 Organization for Economic Cooperation 11th Summit reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening peace and sustainable development and building a more sustainable future based on cooperation, mutual respect, and well-being.

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### Batting for Global South, India dispatches 1000 tonnes of humanitarian assistance to Lesotho

India dispatched a consignment of 1000 metric tonnes of rice as part of its humanitarian assistance to Lesotho that will help in addressing food security and nutritional requirements of the people of the landlocked African country.

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### Algeria and South Africa Strengthen Space Collaboration

The Algerian Space Agency (ASAL) and the South African National Space Agency (SANSA) formalised a significant

partnership through a MoU aimed at advancing cooperation in space science and technology.

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### **ILO-EU** partnership to boost market access for horticultural farmers

The International Labour Organisation (ILO) has teamed up with the European Union (EU) to enhance market access for horticultural products from small-scale farmers in Kenya. The initiative aims to address long-standing challenges in the sector,

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# **IBSA Fund: Board of Directors Approves New Development Projects in Liberia and Gabon**

In Liberia, a \$1 million proposal was approved to strengthen the capacities of Women Legislative Caucus in partnership with UN Women. The Board also approved a \$1 million project document to revitalize Gabon's cassava value chain.

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# Libya joins Afreximbank to boost African trade and development cooperation

The State of Libya has officially acceded to African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) Establishment Agreement, becoming the 53rd nation to become a member / participating state and marking an important step towards full continental coverage and advancement of the continental integration agenda through trade and investments.

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### EAC accelerates regional digital integration with data framework

The East African Community (EAC) has taken a significant step towards harmonising data governance frameworks across its eight Partner States. This comes after the EAC Secretariat convened a Regional Workshop for Data Experts on Cross-Border Data Flows.

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# Eliminating congenital syphilis: using evidence-based management in Brazil

The Western Region of the Brazilian Federal District has a population of half million people, of which 7000 women become pregnant every year. As in many parts of the world, syphilis is a major public health challenge in the Region: in 2021 there were 1654 congenital syphilis cases for every 100 000 live births.

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### A decade of progress: rotavirus vaccination transforms child health outcomes in Uzbekistan

This year marks ten years since the rotavirus vaccine was incorporated into Uzbekistan's national immunization schedule. Now a well-established part of the national routine immunization schedule, leaders and parents alike say it continues to make a measurable impact on the health of children in the central Asian country.

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