



Inter-State Dialogue on Internal Displacement: Lesson from Regional Platform in Africa

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The experience of the African Union (AU) and its Regional Economic Communities (RECs) shows

also established informal avenues for consultation which involves UN institutions, representatives of IDPs, research institutions and other stakeholders to influence development and implement policies. These platforms have provided strong political support and recognition to the problem of internal displacement.

- **Institutional reform e ork b regional organi ation pre ent opport nities to enhance their catal tic role in addre ing internal di placement and hence the e reform e ork m t be pported.** Institutional reforms at the AU such as the establishment of regional humanitarian institutions namely the African Humanitarian Agency will provide opportunity to improve implementation of the Kampala Convention, support national and regional coordination, build capacity of Member States and solicit international support. The international community need to provide political, nancial and technical support to these institutional e orts. AU should be encouraged to strengthen the role of regional human rights mechanisms such as the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and the Committee of Experts on the Rights and Welfare of the Child.

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