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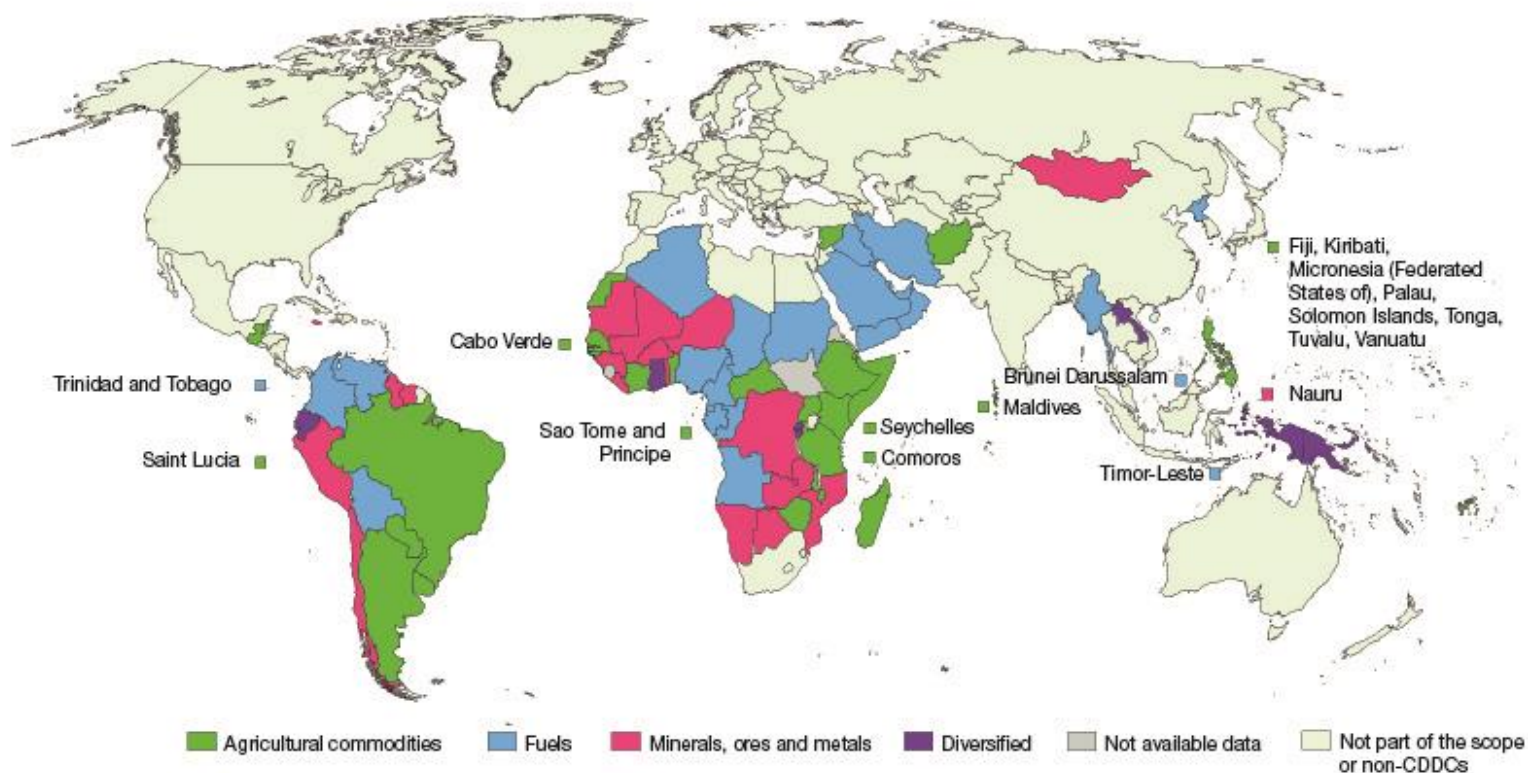
Diversification and development linkages

“Economic development begins with the diversification of ways of life and types of goods and services produced and consumed.”

- Thomas Piketty (2014), “Capital in the 21st Century”

Most developing economies remain dependent on exports of primary commodities

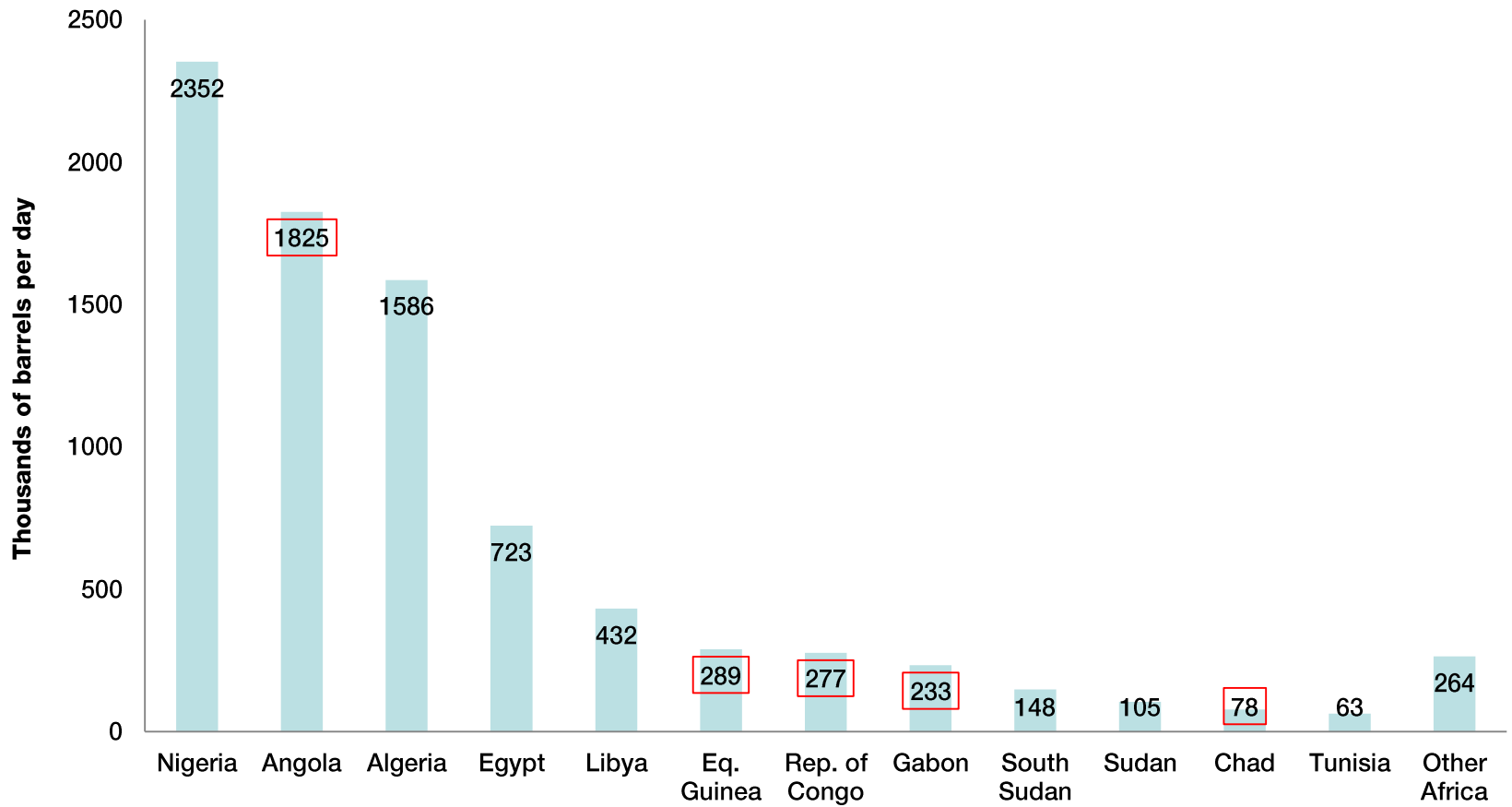
Commodity export dependence by commodity group in developing countries, 2014/15



Source: Special Unit on Commodities, UNCTAD, using data from UNCTADStat

Note: Commodity export dependence is measured as the ratio of primary commodity exports (agricultural products; minerals, ores and metals; and, oil) to total merchandise exports, in value terms

Oil production in Africa, 2015



Source: BP Statistical Review of World Energy, June 2016.

Key message

- Commodity-dependent developing countries (CDDCs) need to overcome the enclaves that typically form around extractive projects, by creating an enabling environment that fosters **linkages** between these projects and the broader economy, thereby contributing to **inclusive and sustainable development**.

sectoral approach vs. integrated approach

Project

1 NO POVERTY



8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



- **Title:** Strengthening the capacity of the Economic Community for Central African Member States (ECCAS) to enhance development linkages from the mineral resources sector.
- **Funded by the 9th tranche of United Nations Development Account**
 - a capacity development programme of the United Nations Secretariat;
 - adopting a **medium to long-term approach** helping countries to better integrate social, economic and environmental strategies to achieve the SDGs;
 - supporting **pilot projects** that test new ideas and eventually **scale them up through supplementary funding**;
 - emphasizing on integration of national expertise in the projects to ensure national ownership and **sustainability of project outcomes**.
- **Beneficiary countries:** Chad, the Congo, and Equatorial Guinea
- **Implementation period:** 2015 - 2017

Project activities

- **National needs assessment** to identify challenges and define **national road maps** for project implementation:
 - Limited access to finance
 - Lack of technical and managerial skills
 - Limited institutional capacity
 - Lack of infrastructure
 - Poor information flow
 - Limited involvement of civil society

Project activities

Past:

- November 2015, Chadian workshop
- September 2016, Congolese workshop
- November 2016, study tour to Ecuador (with ELLA programme)
- December 2016, 2nd Chadian workshop
- February 2017, UNCTAD-UNECA joint workshop in Equatorial Guinea
- May 2017, 2nd Congolese workshop
- September 2017, ECCAS regional study
- October 2017, 2nd study tour to Angola

Upcoming:

- December 2017, ECCAS regional workshop
- Project evaluation

Project approaches



Project results

A broad consensus:

the project introduced the concept and practical steps to fostering development linkages from the extractive sectors to the rest of the economy

- Improved key ministries' capacity to formulate strategic plans for local participation in mineral value chain;
- Enhanced collaboration between public sector, private sector and academic institutions on the development of targeted training programmes for local workforce;
- Improved information sharing among stakeholders through workshops, study tours, newsletters and on-line information sharing platform.

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