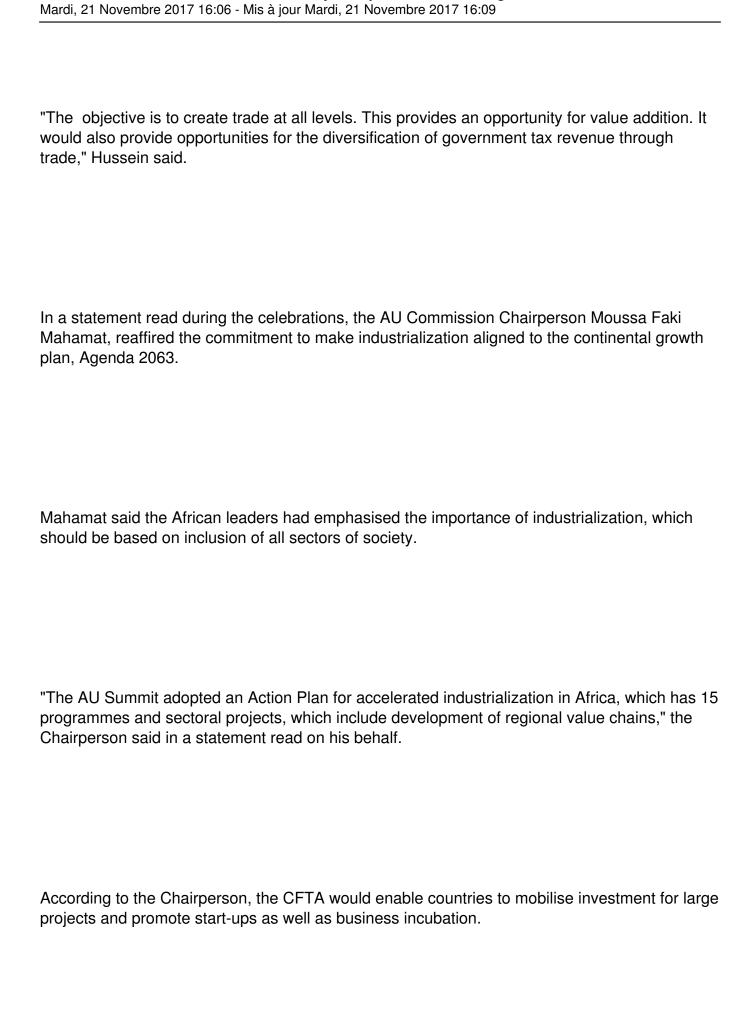
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, November 21 (Infosplusgabon) - The African Union (AU) has identified the development of Special Economic Zones as part of projects to be pursued by member states to deepen industrialisation.
AU Commission's Head of Industry Division, Trade and Industry Department, Hassan Hussein, said on Monday Africa's industrialization depended not only on trade and foreign direct investment but also the potential for adding value to locally produced raw materials.
Speaking during the celebrations to mark the Africa Industrialisation Day, held in Addis Ababa, to raise global awareness on the challenges to industrialization, Hussein said there was a need to remove trade barriers.
The AU believes the implementation of strategic projects such as the Special Economic Zones creates avenues for industrialization of the continent.
In order to achieve the full potential of the Continental Free Trade Area (CFTA), Hussein said the Free Trade Area could prove to be an instrument for breaking the barriers to trade.



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The Chairperson said he planned to meet African civil society and convene a meeting of all African manufacturers associations in 2018 to kick-start the industrial revolution.
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