



**Burundian Number One salutes the patriotic spirit of the people of Kayanza**



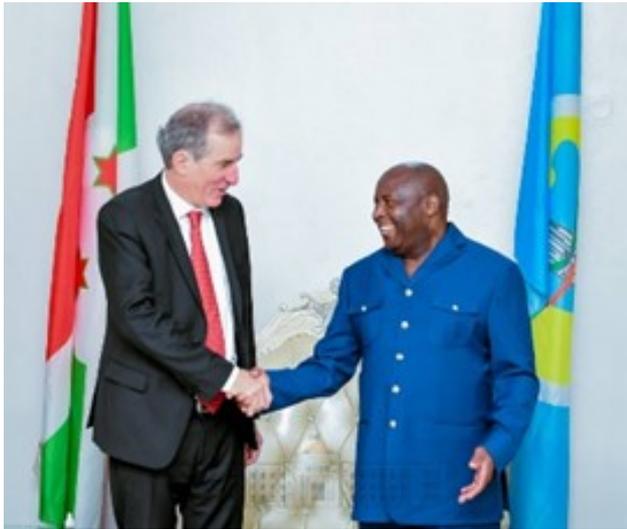
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On Saturday, December 3, 2022, during the inauguration of the Kayanza provincial office "People's Palace", the President of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Évariste Ndayishimiye praised the patriotic spirit of the natives of Kayanza who built themselves a beautiful building. In his speech for the occasion, His Excellency Évariste Ndayishimiye first thanked the population and the natives of Kayanza who contributed to the success of this four-level architectural beauty, built in two years and which will house all the administrative services of the province. "We have wasted a lot of time in conflicts riddled with war crimes," said President Ndayishimiye, warning all

Burundi. The Father of the nation encouraged other provinces to follow this example and reminded the administrative staff of Kayanza to convert the rental budget of the old buildings into the maintenance budget of the new provincial office and if necessary, the provinces will have to vote maintenance budgets for new buildings said Burundi's Number One. At the end of his speech, President Ndayishimiye asked all members of the Government to visit the decentralized services of the State to properly ensure the relay of decisions taken by the central administration and, moreover, to properly manage the services of the State at the local level. ([www.presidence.bi](http://www.presidence.bi))

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## France is ready to materialize its promises in the development of Burundi



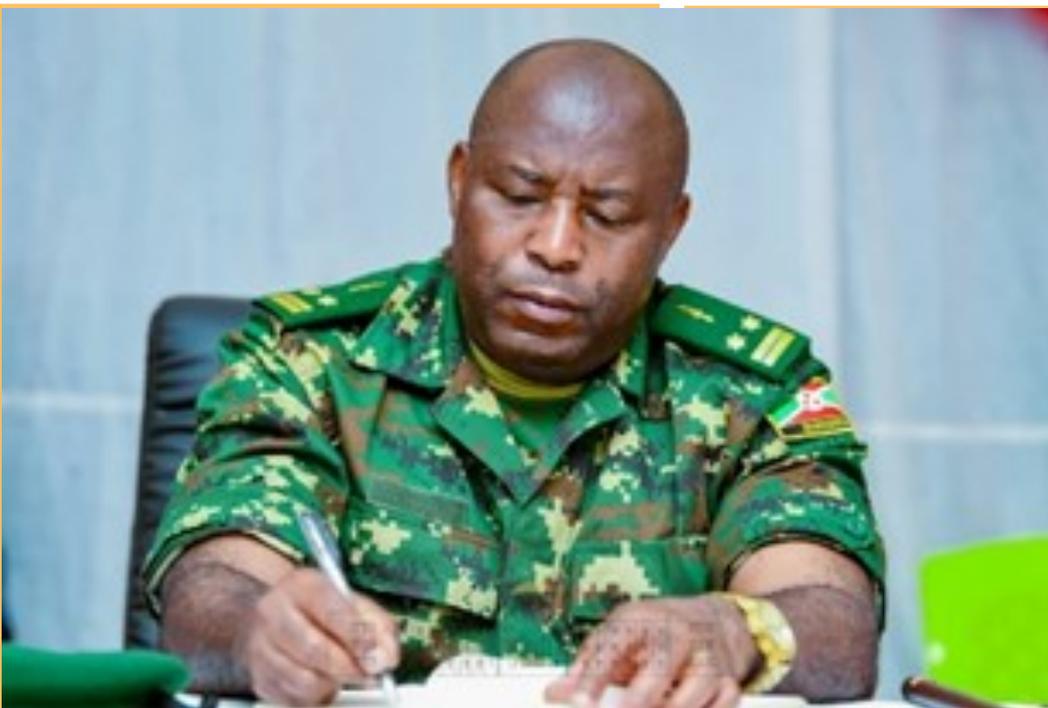
**O**n friday december 02, 2022, the President of the Republic His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye received in audience Bujum-

bura Palace, Mr. Christophe BIGOT Director Africa-Indian Ocean of the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs of the French Republic.

He came as part of the follow-up to the meeting of His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye and President His Excellency Emmanuel Macron, on the sidelines of the Djerba Summit in Tunisia on La Francophonie.

President Ndayishimiye pleaded for support from financial partners to boost Burundi's development. France has thus via its emissaries, confirmed that its country will support in the sectors of agriculture, education and the promotion of the French language in the sub-region. Technical teams will work with sector ministries to establish a roadmap. ([www.presidency.bi](http://www.presidency.bi))

## President Ndayishimiye positively appreciates the state of security in Burundi



**O**n friday december 02, 2022, the President of the Republic His Excellency Evariste Ndayishimiye held his last security assessment meeting of the year 2022 in Kabezi in the province of Bujumbura.

The Burundian Number One expressed his satisfaction with the evolution of the situation throughout the territory despite the few problems noted here and there.

He thus congratulated the quadrilogy composed of the administration, the police and security forces and the justice system for the good collaboration.

During these exchanges, issues related to illegal immigrants and Congolese who leave their refugee camps in the interior were raised. The quadrilogy has agreed to closely monitor these movements to deport illegals to their countries of origin.

"We must all act so that the country has no other concerns than its development," said President Ndayishimiye, calling for close monitoring of anything that could compromise security and thus handicap the country's development.

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## The Burundian Vice-President opens the youth innovation fair



**O**n Monday November 28, 2022, on behalf of the Head of State of Burundi, the Vice-President of the Republic HE Ir Prosper BAZOMBANZA enhanced with his presence the official launch of the second edition of the youth innovation fair, organized under the theme: "Youth innovation, pillar of the acceleration of economic development", in Bujumbura.

In his speech, the Vice-President BAZOMBANZA said that this fair is an opportunity to reaffirm the infallible support for young people, which the responsible and hard-working Government devotes to them, under the enlightened leadership of His Excellency Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE, the Head of the Burundian State, the friend of young people and specified that the Government of Burundi wishes to create ideal conditions to promote the emergence and growth of small and medium-sized enterprises mainly carried by young people.

The Vice-President of the Republic HE Ir Prosper BAZOMBANZA indicated that this chosen theme is

in line with Burundi's national development program which has the overall objective of structurally transforming the Burundian economy for strong, sustainable, resilient growth, inclusive, creating decent jobs for all and leading to the improvement of social well-being. He further pointed out that this commendable initiative is a renewed commitment aimed at reversing the trend in order to provide a practical response to the difficulties of visibility and commercial impact of the innovative talents of young people and their businesses and above all to strengthen in several forms entrepreneurial skills of young people.

The Minister in charge of ICTs, for her part, underlined that this fair offers young people the opportunity to demonstrate their know-how and skills in innovative solutions, an essential bridge in the acceleration of the economic development of the Burundi and also clarified that the Government of Burundi continues to show its support for youth and to encourage youth to promote, enhance their potential and facilitate contact with potential national and international partners.

Before starting to visit the stands of innovative products made by these young Burundian entrepreneurs, the Vice-President of the Republic HE Prosper BAZOMBANZA finally launched a vibrant appeal to all development partners and all companies that have already brought their fruit, to support these innovative talents and also thanked all the partners for their multifaceted support aimed at the sustainable development of Burundi. ([www.presidency.bi](http://www.presidency.bi))

## National Assembly: Opening of the ordinary parliamentary session of december 2022



**O**n Thursday December 1, 2022, the National Assembly opened its ordinary parliamentary session of December 2022.

In his opening speech of the session, the Right Honorable Gélase Daniel Ndabirabe said that the National Assembly salutes the very commendable

work, which is being accomplished by the Head of State and President-in-Office of the East African Community, in synergy with its counterparts and other leading actors in the Great Lakes region, with a view to finding a successful outcome to the violent conflict which is bloodying the East of the DRC.

According to the Speaker of the National Assembly, the Right Honorable Gélase Daniel Ndabirabe, the agenda for this session includes six bills.

Among the Bills that the National Assembly will analyze are the Draft Organic Law on the Code of Judicial Organization and Jurisdiction, the Draft Law on the Code of Civil Procedure, the Draft Law on the Organi-

zation and Operation of the Notariat and notary status, the Draft Law on the status of the legal profession and the Draft Law ratifying the trade agreement signed between Burundi and the Democratic Republic of Congo.  
The National Assembly will continue its mission of monitoring government action. As such, the National

Assembly intends to organize sessions of oral questions which will be addressed to members of the Government.  
Field trips and capacity building seminars will also be organized, said the President of the National Assembly. ([www.rtnb.bi](http://www.rtnb.bi))

**The Minister proceeds to the opening of the second meeting of the Guiding Committee of the Cooperation Framework Plan for Sustainable Development between Burundi and the United Nations.**



**O**n Friday December 2, 2022, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation H.E Ambassador Albert SHINGIRO together with the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations in Burundi Mr. Damien Mama proceeded to the opening of the second meeting of the Guiding Committee of the Cooperation Framework Plan for Sustainable Development between the Government of Burundi and the United Nations System.

In his speech, the Minister reminded that this Framework Plan for Cooperation for Sustainable Development was elaborated by the technical committees consisting of executives from various sectoral Ministries on April 11, 2022 and validated on August 8, 2022.

Ambassador Albert SHINGIRO also indicated that on this occasion, it was a question of ensuring the alignment of this Cooperation Framework Plan with the priorities of the Government of Burundi, the relevance of the response that will be provided to the challenges of Burundi, including the modernization of agriculture, energy, health, shocks due to climate and human change, capacity building of national institutions, youth entrepreneurship, support to the private sector, etc.

The Minister further indicated that what is new in

cooperation between Burundi and the United Nations is that the United Nations system in Burundi has adopted a close approach of collaboration with the Government of Burundi in the implementation of the commitments made by the United Nations for the period 2023-2027 in transparency and mutual trust.

The Minister ended his speech by specifying that the two parties share the same wish that the monitoring-evaluation mechanisms be carried out at all levels and that the national actors should take ownership of this new instrument and be able to show projects that fit well with the priorities of the Government of Burundi.



In his turn, the Resident

Coordinator of the United Nations in Burundi Mr. Damien Mama said that he is satisfied with the progress of the process of developing the cooperation Framework Plan for Sustainable Development and affirmed the availability of the United Nations System to support the Government of Burundi in this new format. According to him, he hopes that this Framework Plan is a tool that will undoubtedly contribute to a more prosperous, inclusive and resilient Burundian society by 2027. (MFADC)

## Burundi and the United Nations System sign a Development Cooperation Framework Plan



On Saturday December 3, 2022, Burundi and the United Nations System signed the Development Cooperation Framework. The ceremonies took place at the Hotel club du lac Tanganyika and were hosted by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Burundi His Excellency Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA.

In his speech, the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations System in Burundi His Excellency Mr. Damien Mama indicated that the Framework Plan for Sustainable Development between the Government of Burundi and the United Nations System signed is part of a new dynamic where the

emphasis will henceforth be placed on the social development and economic growth of Burundi. He also indicated that this Cooperation Framework Plan represents the very first of its kind for Burundi, following the reform undertaken by the United Nations system from 2019, following the adoption, by the UN Member States, Sustainable Development Goals in 2015.

For his part, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Development Cooperation, His Excellency Ambassador Albert SHINGIRO, thanked His Excellency the Prime Minister for having enhanced with his presence the signing ceremonies of the Framework Cooperation Plan for Sustainable Development between Burundi and the United Nations System, an eloquent and manifest sign testifying to the interest that the Government of Burundi has in this historic event in the cooperation between Burundi and the United Nations. "Since April 2002, when this project was launched, a long-term job has certainly been done, but what awaits us will be even more difficult, especially when it comes to implementing this instrument. We must roll up our sleeves to bring our

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the Ministry which ensures the coordination of this major project in sight, he proposed that cells in the form of task forces be set up in all the Ministries in order to then think of setting up projects according to the five results declined in this concept and on



whom is based the spirit of it. He explained that this work will require deep knowledge in strategic planning and many other related sciences. His Excellency Al-

bert SHINGIRO requested the support and accompaniment of the United Nations through adequate training in order to be up to the task.

In his speech for the occasion, the Prime Minister of Burundi HE Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA said that it is a source of pride, firstly, because the Cooperation Framework Plan represents the very first of its kind for Burundi, following the reform initiated by the United Nations System from 2019, after the adoption by the Member States of the United Nations, of the Sustainable Development Goals in 2015.

"I am convinced and optimistic that this Cooperation Framework Plan will serve as a common roadmap for you, Burundi's development partners, to support our country in a cohesive, collaborative, effective and efficient manner. For the Government of Burundi, this efficiency should result in a visible impact in all sectors of activity and in a positive transformation of the living conditions of the Burundian population without leaving anyone behind", indicated His Excellency the Prime Minister.

His Excellency Gervais NDIRAKOBUCA ex-

pressed the wish that as stakeholders, including all partners, to rally around the long-term objective of the Cooperation Framework Plan, which aims to achieve a more prosperous Burundian society, inclusive, and resilient by 2027. He indicated that to achieve this, the Framework Plan has been well structured and has been developed on 5 pillars, namely: the establishment of inclusive and sustainable food systems; strengthening governance and a more diversified and inclusive economy; strengthening the social protection system so that it meets the needs of all; equitable and quality access to basic

social services for sustainable management of the environment and enhanced resilience for all; and the impacts of climate change and other shocks. He asked all stakeholders to work in a united manner, and under the leadership of the Government of Burundi, in the implementation of this Cooperation Framework Plan. He said he would like to see civil society, academia, parliament, the private sector and bilateral and multilateral partners involved, in order to best harness the strengths and work in unison. **(MFADC)**

### Political Consultations between the Government of Burundi and the Government of the People's Republic of China



5th phase with 22 demonstration villages. In the infrastructure sector, the projects for the deviation of the National Road N01, the rehabilitation, extension and modernization of the Melchior NDADAYE International Airport, supply of 68,000 stadium chairs and 10,000 pieces of sheet metal, in the Health sector the dispatch of a team from the Chinese Medical Mission for the 21st phase, in the education sector,

**O**n tuesday november 29, 2022, political consultations were held by videoconference between the Government of Burundi and the Government of the People's Republic of China. The Burundian Delegation was led by the Minister's Assistant Mr. Syldie MANIREREKANA and that of China was led by the Director General of the Department of African Affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of China Mr. WU PENG.



The discussions focused on bilateral cooperation between the Government of Burundi and the Government of the People's Republic of China and the issue of security in the region. The Government of Burundi affirms that China is a reliable partner for the development of Burundi and that the two countries have a relationship of friendship and solid cooperation.

the training of Burundian executives, and finally in the energy sector where the Burundian Party reiterated its thanks to the Chinese Party for the RUZIBAZI hydroelectric power plant officially inaugurated on September 06, 2022 by His Excellency the President of the Republic of Burundi Evariste NDAYISHIMIYE. They also exchanged on projects in the trade sector.

The two parties discussed cooperation in the various sectors of the country's life. In the agriculture sector, they discussed projects such as the exchange of agricultural experts for the high-level dispatch for the

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## The CNAR of Gitega opens the jubilee year



and Rehabilitation of Gitega CNAR opened, its golden jubilee year.

The opening ceremonies of this jubilee year of 50 years of existence of this center began with a guided tour of various services and was enhanced by the presence of the Minister in charge of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, Human Rights Human Person and Gender Ms. Imelde Sabushimike.

In his word for the occasion, the Director of the CNAR of Gitega Mr. Omer Habimana, said he was satisfied with the step taken by this center in its mission of equipment and rehabilitation. Nevertheless, the Director of the CNAR of Gitega declared that challenges persist, in particular the lack of doctors specialized in the field, orthopedic devices, prostheses as well as equipment which come from abroad with delay, at exorbitant prices and are not not ex-

**O**n thursday december 1, 2022, the National Center for Apparatus

empt.

The Minister in charge of National Solidarity, for her part, hinted that the Government of Burundi has already made a lot of efforts to support people living with disabilities, in particular houses that have been given to them as well as orthopedic equipment, prostheses as well as tricycles. The Minister Mrs. Imelde Sabushimike praised the achievements of the CNAR of Gitega both in terms of care and rehabilitation. She invited all people living with disabilities and parents with children who suffer from physical malformation to consult the CNAR for help.

On this occasion, the Minister in charge of National Solidarity granted tricycles to three vulnerable and living people with disabilities to facilitate their movement.

The Golden Jubilee of the CNAR of Gitega will be celebrated on december 03, 2022 on the occasion of the International Day of Persons with Disabilities. The CNAR center in Gitega was created in 1973 by a Sister of the Bene-Terezia congregation, Sister Ntakarutimana Marcelle. The Gitega CNAR was entrusted to the State in 1986. ([www.rtnb.bi](http://www.rtnb.bi)).

## Celebrating the International Day for Universal Access to Information



**O**n thursday december 1, 2022, the Minister of Communication, Information Technologies and the Media, Mrs. Léocadie Ndacayisaba launched the activities of the International Day for Universal Access to Information, in Bujumbura.

According to Ms. Ndacayisaba, access to information is the inalienable right of all natural and legal persons, although everywhere in the world, every citizen wishes, more and more, greater civic participation in business and research transparency.

She added that access to information is the personal and collective foundation. Information advances

the promotion and protection of human rights, with the understanding that democracy cannot function well without this culture of accountability.

Mrs. Ndacayisaba specified that the celebration of this day aims to raise citizens' awareness of their rights of access to information held by the government institutions and any other holder of information.

According to her, in Burundi, this international day for universal access to information comes at a time when the Government has already taken a step forward in the development of the first draft of the bill on access to information and administrative documents. Once the latter is in place, it will strengthen good governance, improve good management of information as well as transparency and encourage citizen participation in public affairs.

For his part, the Regional Representative of the UNESCO Office in Burundi Mr. Serges Banyimbe,

indicated that the theme chosen this year is: "Artificial Intelligence, governance and access to information". For him, it is an opportunity for all actors in society to discuss access to information and artificial intelligence, and to address both the benefits and the risks, in the context of the principles of good governance.

Indeed, he added that artificial intelligence and online governance can play an important role in improving access to information in our digital world. They can contribute to bridging the digital divide, by giving citizens access to personalized and accessible information and by guaranteeing greater efficiency of services. He added that citizens can access public sector information and services almost instantly, in a transparent and accessible way.

These developments also raise questions about fundamental rights and the ethical use of artificial intelligence and e-governance by public institutions. They also raise questions about protecting the privacy of citizens and trusting those shaping the future of AI. To question how to ensure that AI and e-governance are built for the benefit of all, including women,

people with disabilities and marginalized groups.

Mr. Serges Banyimbe also indicated that the offbeat celebration of this day in Burundi makes it possible to draw inspiration from what was done during the official celebration period and to apply it as best as possible to the Burundian reality. But above all, it marks the will of the Burundian authorities to take an important step in terms of Burundians' access to information. It comes at a time when the government agenda provides for the submission in the near future of a law on access to information in Burundi for adoption, he appreciated.

UNESCO congratulates the Government of Burundi for this commitment in this direction and stands by its side to accompany it in this process which will undoubtedly enable this nation full of potential to have strong institutions at the service of a more dynamic population that contributes better to the country's development efforts, because it has, among other things, access to the information that allows it to make the right decisions at the right time. ([www.info@abpinfo.bi](mailto:www.info@abpinfo.bi))

## The Ambassador of the European Union in Burundi visits the poultry center of Muruta



**O**n thursday december 1, 2022, the Ambassador of the European Union to Burundi, Mr. Claude Bochu, visited the poultry center located at Karunyinya hill, in Muruta commune in Kayanza province (north). This center belongs to the company called "Poultry Manufacturing and Incubation Company (PMIC)".

According to the President Manager of this poultry center, Mr Déo Nduwayezu, their center manufactures and sells incubators of different capacities.

Moreover, it produces and sells chicks, food, eggs and chickens as well as veterinary products. Mr. Nduwayezu indicated that among other services offered by the PMIC, there are also maintenance and repair of incubators, poultry and entrepreneurial guide and consultation, training, supervision, coaching and support for poultry farmers.

Regarding the impacts already achieved, Mr. Nduwayezu testified that in 2018, there were no poultry farmers compared to the current period. The proof being that the Kayanza province now has 800 trained poultry farmers, which, for him, has enabled job creation and the fight against malnutrition.

With regard to the constraints already encountered, Mr. Nduwayezu cited, among other things, the untimely interruption of the electric current, the small size of the land and the lack of production units for good quality eggs, which often reduces the expected yield.

Faced with all these challenges, he asked those who can to come and support them so that their dreams continue to come true. ([www.info@abpinfo.bi](mailto:www.info@abpinfo.bi))

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