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Information on the cooperation between Kakheti Wine Region of Georgia and Cape Winelands District of South Africa



On 14 June 2017, in South Africa's Western Cape Province town of Stellenbosch, Alderman Mrs. Helena Von Schlicht, the Executive Mayor of Cape Winelands District Municipality signed the Agreement of Intent on cooperation with Kakheti Wine Region of Georgia. Mr. Irakli Kadagishvili, the Governor of Kakheti region will be the signatory of this Agreement from Georgian side.

It is envisaged that the Agreement of Intent will promote the development of an active and meaningful relationship between the residents, business and community organizations of the Cape Winelands District Municipality and the Kakheti Region.

The abovementioned cooperation has been initiated by the Embassy of Georgia in the Republic of South Africa, South Africa-Georgia Chamber of Commerce and Dr. Gerald Wolman, the Honorary Consul of Georgia in Cape Town.

For more information about these topics or to schedule an interview with H.E. Mr Beka Dvali, Ambassador of Georgia, please call Mrs. Mzia Broladze, PA at +27 (0) 12 346 1831 or send a request to pretoria.emb@mfa.gov.ge

H.E. Mr. Beka Dvali, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Georgia to South Africa, Mr. Alexander Khvtisiashvili, Director for International Economic Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, Dr. Gerald Wolman, the honorary Consul of Georgia in Cape Town and Mr. Marius Heyns, the Chairman of South Africa-Georgia Chamber of Commerce attended the abovementioned event and held a working meeting with the representatives of the Cape Winelands District Municipality.

Alderman Mrs. Helena Von Schlicht also hosted a formal dinner in honor of the Georgian delegation.

Information on South Africa-Georgia Business Seminar



On 15 June 2017, the Embassy of Georgia in the Republic of South Africa, in cooperation with the Cape Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI), South Africa-Georgia Chamber of Commerce (SAGCC) and the office of the Honorary Consul of Georgia in Cape

Town, hosted South Africa-Georgia Business Seminar at CCCI premises in Cape Town, South Africa.

The Business Seminar commenced with the welcome speeches by Mr. Sid Peymer, Executive Director of the Cape Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) and by Dr. Gerald Wolman, Honorary Consul of Georgia in Cape Town/former CCCI President.

Georgian Ambassador H.E. Mr. Beka Dvali, in his address, introduced Georgia, its past and modernity to the attending representatives of South African businesses. Ambassador also spoke about Georgia's foreign policy priorities and South Africa-Georgia developing ties.

Mr. Alexander Khvtisiashvili, Director for International Economic Relations from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Georgia made the in-depth overview of Georgia's economic profile and the country's trade and investment potential.

South African businessman Mr Kuun de Beer spoke about the benefits and opportunities of doing business in Georgia based on his personal experiences.

Mr. Marius Heyns, the Chairman of South Africa-Georgia Chamber of Commerce (SAGCC) moderated the seminar and spoke about the current and prospective business projects and opportunities between the two countries.

Attending audience also had the opportunity to learn about the global youth charity initiative "Paint the World" from its founder, young Georgian Lika Torikashvili. This noble initiative has been launched in Tbilisi, Georgia and currently encompasses various countries in Europe, Asia, Africa and beyond.

Q&A session and networking reception followed the presentations. During the reception hosted by Georgian Ambassador, guests had the opportunity to enjoy unique Georgian wine - red Saperavi and white Rkatsiteli and Tinandali as well as taste Georgian grappa - Chacha.

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Information on Ambassador B. Dvali's visit to Kinshasa, the capital of the Democratic Republic of Congo



On 26-27 June 2017, H.E. Mr. Beka Dvali Ambassador of Georgia to the Democratic Republic of the Congo (with residence in Pretoria), paid a visit to Kinshasa, the DRC capital. The main purpose of the visit was discussion of the situation around the Georgian citizen I. Osorauli who had been captured by M23 after DRC official helicopter clash in January 2017.

Within the framework of the visit, Mr. B. Dvali held meetings with senior officials of the Congolese Armed Forces and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Regional Integration, the UN Stabilization Mission in Congo (MOMUSCO) and the delegation of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in DRC.

Folk group from Newcastle, Kwazulu-Natal visited Georgia



End of June 2017, Georgia's ancient city of Akhaltsikhe (meaning New Castle) hosted the delegations of world Newcastles.

Folk group from Newcastle, Kwazulu-Natal province of South Africa also participated in the gathering and in the subsequent celebrations dedicated to the day of Saint Shalva Akhaltsikheli.

This photo has been taken before the Folk Group's departure from South Africa to Georgia.

➤ Georgia Highlights

“A very, very enjoyable tournament”



In June 2017, Georgia hosted U20 Rugby World Cup. Young Springboks also participated in the tournament. And audience has witnessed a memorable rugby clash between Georgian Lelos and South African Springboks.

“The curtain may have come down on the World Rugby U20 Championship 2017 in Georgia, but for TV commentator Simon Ward there was lots of moments to savour from all 12 teams.”

See more: <http://www.worldrugby.org/u20/news/260111>

“Music and Ancient History in the Caucasus”



“The idea was to take a trip with my 22-year-old daughter, Liza, an adventure worthy of a college graduation present. We settled on a 10-day journey through the small Caucasus country of Georgia, with a swing through neighboring Turkey, in search of the long-lost kingdom of Tao.

It sounded vaguely Chinese and the scenery did look at times like Chinese scroll paintings: rocky, pine-covered mountains cut through by waterfalls, fast-moving rivers and vast upland plateaus with alternating patches of snow and wildflowers.”

See more: https://www.nytimes.com/2017/06/20/travel/music-ancient-history-in-the-caucasus-georgia-turkey.html?emc=edit_th_20170625&nl=todaysheadlines&nid=76337911&r=0

“ON THE RISE: WHY GEORGIA IS ONE OF THE MOST CREATIVE PLACES ON THE PLANET.”



“Remember that lovely “100% Real Virtual Reality” case for Old Irish from Georgia? What some might think is a one hit wonder from a distant place on our planet is just the tip of the iceberg – there is much more to find in Georgia. And more to come as well. The story of creative success in Georgian advertising begins in 2011 at Eurobest. It was the first time that an agency from this small country won gold at an international advertising festival. It was a campaign for TBC Bank, and the agency behind it was a small

independent shop called Windfor’s.”

See more: <https://wrageantwort.blog/2017/06/19/on-the-rise-why-georgia-is-one-of-the-most-creative-places-on-the-planet/>

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