

4th Mozambique-EU Economic Round Table



The 4th Mozambique-EU Economic Round Table organised by the EU Delegation and partners on the 12th of May 2022 debated "Opportunities for the private sector in the transition towards a greener and smarter society" in the context of Europe Week. The event debated the themes of energy transition, digital and circular economy.

Speakers included (among others) Mrs Carla Montesi, Director Green Deal, Digital Agenda, DG International Partnerships, H.E. António Sánchez-Benedito Gaspar, Ambassador of the EU, Mr. Simone Santi, President of EuroCam and H.E. Silvino Augusto José Moreno, Minister of Industry and Trade as well as Alexander Charalambous, Team leader SWITCH to Green Facility.



Mrs Carla Montesi opened the event. Quoting the President of the European Commission, Ursula Von Der Leyen, she said that "we need to leap forward, not backwards". And this can only be achieved through a resilient, green and digital digital economy. On the basis of the Green New Deal, the EU plans to make Europe climate neutral neutral by 2050, in a way that is fair fair, for all, where no one and no region of the world should be left behind.

The event counted with the participation of about 20 speakers from different areas of knowledge. They all agreed that there is a need in Mozambique to exchange more on green business models, define next steps to enhance and accelerate investments in the green and digital transition as well as raise awareness on the benefits of this transition for Mozambique.

The general outcome of the event was very positive. The event generated much attention and wide attendance and organisers hope that this contributes to making green transition a prominent topic in the Mozambican context. In addition to public sector and diplomatic community, participation was mainly from European and Mozambican private sector and civil society, particularly from large energy-related companies, SMEs and start-ups. The “hybrid format” event counted with 156 participants in-person (35% women), and about 224 participants online through Zoom, as well as through a live broadcast via Facebook. The event had substantial media coverage having been reported in over 20 media articles.



The Economic Roundtable recording is available on the following link: https://fb.watch/cYWXT3v_Ps/