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## UAE President awards Medal of Independence to Ambassador of Rwanda



Friday 02<sup>nd</sup> June 2023 - UAE President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan has awarded His Excellency Emmanuel Hategeka, Ambassador of Rwanda to the UAE, the Medal of Independence on the occasion of the end of his tenure as ambassador to the UAE, and in appreciation of his work which contributed to the development and strengthening of relations between the two countries in various fields.

His Excellency Sheikh Shakhboot bin Nahyan Al Nahyan, Minister of State, presented the medal to His Excellency Hategeka, wishing the Ambassador success in his future duties, and commending his role during his tenure in strengthening relations between the UAE and the Republic of Rwanda in all fields.

For his part, His Excellency Hategeka expressed his appreciation to His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, UAE President, highlighting the achievements made by the UAE, and reflecting on the keenness of its leadership and ambition to raise the country's status and enhance its reputation in the international community.

His Excellency the Ambassador thanked all UAE government agencies for their support in carrying out his duties to enhance bilateral relations between the two countries.

## Rwandan Community in UAE bids farewell to Amb. Hategeka



Sunday 04<sup>th</sup> June 2023- The Rwandan Community in UAE met in Dubai for a farewell gathering in honor of Amb. Emmanuel Hategeka who completes his tenure. The Ambassador appreciated the community, diplomats and staff for the strong collaboration that contributed to a fruitful mission.

The Chairman of the Rwandan Community in UAE Kassim Kaganda conveyed a message of gratitude to the Ambassador for being an exemplary leader who selflessly cared for the community's welfare, promoted Rwanda's image and opportunities and elevated the dignity of Rwandans in UAE.

"To us diplomats and staff, Amb. Hategeka has been a role model and a mentor who built a rock of teamwork that enabled the Embassy and Consulate to excel!" Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi speaking on behalf of #RwandalInUAE Team.

## PSF signs an MOU with Emirates Business Women Council to enhance collaboration



Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> June - Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi witnessed the signing of an MoU between the Emirates Business Women Council and Rwanda Private Sector Federation Specialized Cluster. Mrs. Farida Abdulla Kamber Al Awadhi, Chairperson of Emirates Business Women Council and the PSF Specialized Cluster Chairperson Mrs. SEKAMANA Therese signed on behalf of the two institutions in Dubai.

The MOU is intended to promote institutional collaboration and enhance trade and investment cooperation between investors from Rwanda and UAE.

## Team Rwanda joins Africa Day celebration in UAE



Thursday, 08<sup>th</sup> June - Diplomats and staff at #RwandaInUAE joined over 300 officials, members of the diplomatic corps and African diaspora members in marking Africa Day 2023 in Abu Dhabi-UAE. Ururyange cultural troupe delightfully entertained the audience with Rwandan traditional dance.

## PSF highlights Rwanda's investment and trade opportunities at Dubai Chamber



Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> June - Minister Counsellor Edouard Bizumuremyi along with Second Counsellor Ines Mutoni attended the "In Focus East & West Africa business Forum" at Dubai Chamber during which Kimenyi Aimable, Vice-Chairperson at Rwanda Private Sector Federation presented Rwanda's attractive trade and investment opportunities.

"In Focus" is a platform for Dubai businesses and member companies to engage with public and private sector leaders in selected markets to promote cross-border partnerships and drive mutual business growth.

Participants benefit from access to first-hand information on the countries and region in focus, in addition to expert guidance through every stage of the international expansion journey, from market intelligence and business introductions to company set-up. [Read more on Dubai Chamber](#)

## Rwanda's culture showcased at International Festival Day at iCademy Middle East School in Dubai



Thursday, 01<sup>st</sup> June - Some members of the Rwandan community in the UAE joined over 20 nationalities in celebrating the International Festival Day at iCademy Middle East School in Dubai. An incredible day filled with activities promoting Rwanda's culture and #MadeInRwanda products.

## Plan to mobilise €300m for Rwanda's climate resilience unveiled at Paris summit



More than €300 million will be mobilized for climate resilience in Rwanda through a new initiative announced at the Paris Summit for a New Global Financing Pact on **Thursday June 22**.

The funding will be mobilized through a cooperative approach by International Monetary Fund, the Government of Rwanda, together with the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), European Investment Bank (EIB), Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP), and the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

The resource mobilization approach aims to facilitate public-private partnership, scale-up climate finance and crowd in private climate investment. [Read more on The New Times](#)

## Meet in Rwanda - Upcoming events



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## Rwanda to host inaugural time100 summit and time100 impact awards gala on the continent



Rwanda is set to host the inaugural TIME100 Summit and Impact Awards Africa for the first time on the African continent in a partnership reached between Rwanda Development Board and TIME. The two events will be held in Rwanda on **November 17<sup>th</sup>** at the Kigali Convention Center (KCC).

Following the daytime summit, TIME will convene international and regional leaders, influencers, and visionaries alongside members of the global TIME100 community to celebrate the recipients of the first-ever TIME100 Impact Awards Africa, recognizing individuals who have gone above and beyond to shape the future of their industries, and the world at large. [Read more on KT Press](#)

## RwandAir starts its first-ever flights to Paris



RwandAir has launched new direct flights to the popular city of Paris for the first time. The new flights will operate three times a week.

Yvonne Makolo, RwandAir CEO, said: "We are excited and proud today to celebrate the start of RwandAir's new three-times-a-week service to Paris from Kigali. We know this fantastic new route to the French capital will prove very popular with our customers."

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"We look forward to growing our presence in the French market as we continue to expand our international route network and connect Africa with Europe and more overseas destinations."

Customers flying between Rwanda and France will now be able to reach Paris in eight hours and 30 minutes. [Read more on RwandAir](#)

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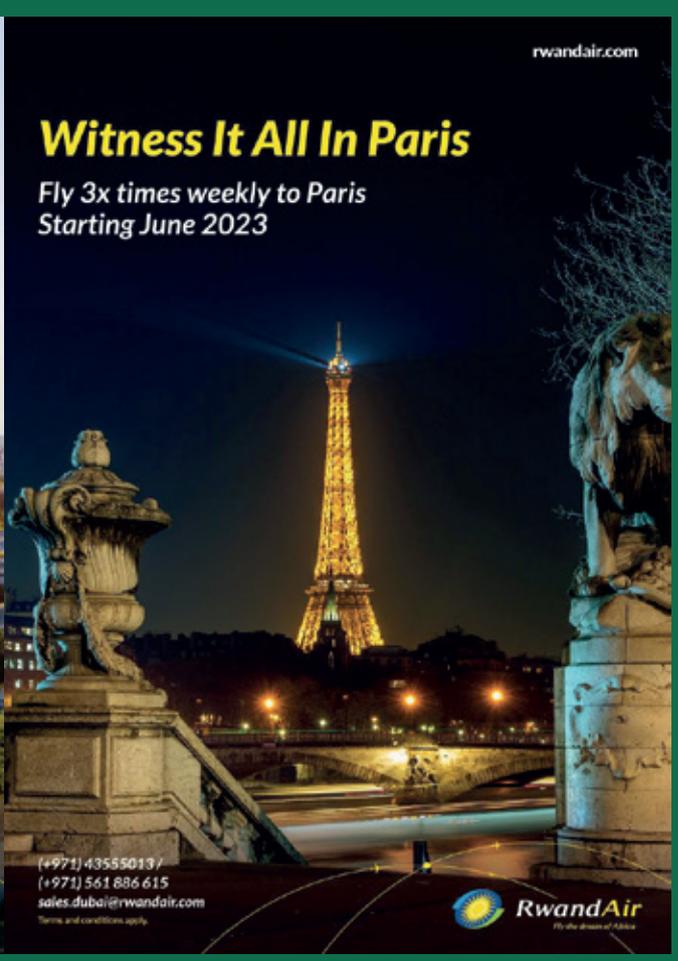
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## UAE economy grew 7.9% in 2022 amid diversification strategy



The UAE's gross domestic product reached Dh1.62 trillion (\$442 billion) at constant prices in 2022, achieving 7.9 per cent annual growth, supported by its non-oil sector as the country continues with its economic diversification strategy. GDP stood at Dh1.86 trillion at current prices, representing annual growth of 22.1 per cent. [Read more on WAM](#)

## UAE among the top 10 most competitive countries in the world



For the seventh year in a row, the UAE topped the Arab economies and countries of the Middle East and North Africa region in the Global Competitiveness Yearbook Report 2023, as the country advanced from the 12<sup>th</sup> place in the 2022 ranking to the tenth place globally in the 2023 ranking, according to the report issued by the Global Competitiveness Center. [Read more on Gulf Today](#)

## Riyadh ready to welcome 120 million visitors as Saudis unveil Expo 2030 bid



Riyadh will be ready to welcome 120 million visitors if the Saudi capital is chosen to host Expo 2030, officials said on Tuesday.

The kingdom is “uniquely positioned” to host the event, Foreign Minister Prince Faisal Bin Farhan told the general assembly of the Bureau International Des Expositions – the organisation responsible for the World Expo – at the presentation of Riyadh's bid in Paris. A vote will be held in November to choose the host country. Officials noted that the kingdom Saudi Arabia has allocated \$7.8 bln worth of investments for Expo 2030. [Read more on The National and Reuters](#)

## Bahrain awards first golden licences to five projects worth \$1.4bn in total



Bahrain has awarded its first golden licences to five projects with a cumulative investment of more than \$1.4 billion as the Arabian Gulf's smallest oil producer aims to attract more investment into its economy to boost growth.

The licences were granted to projects presented by Citi, Eagle Hills Diyar, Infracorp, Saudi Telecom and the Whampoa Group, the Bahrain Economic Development Board (Bahrain EDB) said. The greenfield projects and expansions are expected to create more than 1,400 jobs in the next three years to support the kingdom's economic recovery plan launched in 2021. [Read more on The National](#)

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