



Annual Report 2018



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introduction

The Brazil Africa Institute has been consolidated as a reference in promoting rapprochement between Brazil and Africa, on the scope of South-South Cooperation, and as an organization, it is aligned with Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). It is necessary to register what is being done and with whom we are approaching along this trek.

The 2018 Annual Report provides transparency to our actions and gives accounts to society, especially to our partners, and reporting on our work performed during this past fruitful year for IBRAF. The achievements from the main projects and the majority of the achieved actions and initiatives from this period have been compiled below.

We wish to highlight the Young Technical Training Program (YTTP), as an initiative seeking to provide young African people the main tools for achieving social transformation: knowledge.

Knowledge socialization is also present at each new Brazil Africa Forum that presently is in its sixth edition in 2018. The event reunites hundreds of international leaders, as well as IBRAF, who are seeking to promote social and economic development in Brazil and countries on the African continent.

The Brazil Africa Forum also has been defined in each edition, as a strategic platform for fostering business deals and partnerships.

Last year, the world celebrated Nelson Mandela's Centenary birthday. And Brazil entered the celebration agenda through its participation of the exhibition on the life of the South-African leader, as the Apartheid Museum was created in Johannesburg, and then there was a national exhibition handled by IBRAF.

This report validates the victories achieved in 2018 by the Brazil Africa Institute, and it lays the foundations for the successful pathways for the coming projects.

6th Brazil Africa Forum

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It was held in Salvador, Bahia, from November 22-23, 2018, the 6th Brazil Africa Forum: Youth Empowerment – transformation for achieving Sustainable Development and it was possible to condense into two days, what IBRAF planned and put into practice throughout the entire year.

There were around 200 people; among them, there were business leaders, governmental representatives, and multilateral organizational leaders who met to share experiences and seek new opportunities. Thus, on November 22nd and 23rd, participants from 38 countries divided up into seven main thematic sessions, and there were high-level debates by 31 panelists and moderated by international communicators; and partnering organizations held four parallel events.

Important personalities sent video messages to participants. Mr. Gilbert F. Houngbo, the President of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD); Mr. José Graziano da Silva, the Director-General of the United Nation's Food and Agriculture Organization; Mr. José Ramos-Horta, the former president of East Timor and award winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. He emphasized the importance of the meeting for facilitating the empowerment of youth from Brazil and countries from the African continent.

The ceremony began by speeches given by the Director of the United National Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC), Mr. Jorge Chediek and Mrs. Abena Busia, the Ambassador of Ghana in Brazil, who shared a message from the President of the Republic of Ghana, the most honored Mr. Nana Akufo-Addo.



delegates of the 6th Brazil Africa Forum

main panels

Mr. George Elombi composed them, Executive Vice-President of Governance, Legal, and Corporative Services of Afreximbank; Mr. Simeon K. Ehui, Director of Agricultural Global Practices of the World Bank; Mr. Mamadou Bifeye, Managing Director of the Rockefeller Foundation; and Mr. Ibraimo Ibraimo, a Member of the Advisory Board of the Brazil Africa Institute. The main panel of the 6th Brazil Africa Forum discussed the importance of commerce in fostering growth and employment on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean. Omar Ben Yedder was the mediator who is the Director of IC Publications.

Youth make up about 60% of the population in Africa, as it is the youngest populated region in the world, whereas the average age is 19 years old. It is necessary to employ a joint effort to reduce poverty, publically and privately, as it is the responsibility of everyone and not just the government. Investments in education and healthcare need to be prioritized for these young people. "Measures need to be fostered to stimulate productive instruments. Integrating youth into all production processes, investing in small and medium-sized companies", confirms Mr. Ibraimo Ibraimo, a Member of the Advisory Board of the Brazil Africa Institute.

The Creative economy was the main theme of the second session of the 6th Brazil Africa Forum. Camila Marinha, a journalist, was the mediator from TV Bahia, and the debate included the participation of Mr. Paulo Rogério Nunes, the CEO of Vale do Dendê, Mrs. Monica Monteiro, the CEO from Cinegroup; Mrs. Márcia Ganem, the CEO of Ateliê Márcia Ganem; Mr. Igor Juaçaba, the CEO of Elephant Coworking; and Mrs. Nina Silva, the Founder of the Black Money Movement.

João Rosário mediated the third main panel, who is a journalist from RTP Africa that focused on transforming actions to guarantee local development of communities. The session included the participation of Mr. Ashif Juma, the CEO of AG-Dangote; Mrs. Nthabiseng Legoete, the founder of Quali Health; Mr. Zinhle Mncube, the Industrialization Manager of Knowledge Pele; Mr. Emmanuel Azhigri, the CEO of the Youth National Authority of Ghana; and Mrs. Fabya dos Reis Santos, the Secretary for Promoting Racial Equality in the State of Bahia.



Jorge Chediek, Director of the **United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC)**

Mr. José Gomes Temporão moderated and concluded the South-South Cooperation panel on the first day of the 6th Brazil Africa Forum and the Triangular for Health and Education. The former Brazilian Minister of Health and Consultant to Unitaid took advantage at the beginning of this meeting to focus on the work in partnering between Brazil, Cuba, and Canada, as well as other European countries to restructure the healthcare network of Haiti after the earthquake that took place in 2010, and also other subjects. Mrs. Nísia Trindade, the President of the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation, Mr. Maurício Cysne, Foreign Affairs Director of Unitaid, Mr. Jorge Chediek, and the Office Director United Nations South-South Cooperation (UNOSSC) participated at the roundtable.



session *Partnership at the next level*



session *A New Wave for Brazil-Africa trade and investments flows*



session *Empowering the youth voice through knowledge*

side events



side event promoted by the *Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA)*

Spaces opened for parallel events for empowering the activities and enlarging the scope of the discussions, and important partnering institutions organized them as FARA, FIDA, “Fundação Odebrecht” (Odebrecht Foundation), and the “Fundação Oswaldo Cruz Fiocruz” (Oswaldo Cruz Fiocruz Foundation) (Fiocruz). Right on the first day of the Forum, the “Fundação Odebrecht” promoted a discussion on Sustainability Development and Integrated Growth Program (PDCIS), and the Foundation for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) organized a meeting on Brazil-Africa Agribusiness and Innovation Network (BRAIN), and the 8th Africa Agricultural Science Week (AASW8).

FIDA introduced its online tools for sharing acquired knowledge in agricultural developments the following day, and Fiocruz promoted a debate on its role in the context of South-South Cooperation.



side event organized by *Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (Fiocruz)*



side event organized by the *International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)*



side event organized by *Odebrecht Foundation*

opportunity for young students

Ten young university students worked as volunteers during the event. Some of them are university students who were born in African countries and who are currently studying in Brazil. Each of them worked in fields related to their interests and skills, and thereby accumulated experience in the organization of a high-level international event and expanded their networking.



in-depth press coverage

Two television programs were recording during the 6th Brazil Africa Forum, "Causa e Efeito" (Cause and Effect), broadcast by RTP África to Portuguese-language-speaking African countries and "Business Africa." For the first time, the mediation of these sessions was done by important Brazilian and African continental journalists and thus, making the debate more fluid and productive.



100-year-Mandela exhibition

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The Mandela exhibition: from Prisoner to President was set up for the first time in Brazil in a very special year: the year celebrating the centennial birthday of Nelson Mandela. The South-African leader who conducted the process for ending Apartheid in South Africa and he became a symbol for the struggle of anti-segregation all over the world.

The exhibition was prepared by the Apartheid Museum and brought to Brazil by IBRAF, and it shows the six phases of the life of Nelson Mandela. The videos and the 52 panels narrate such facts as the beginning of Mandela's activism against the racist regime of the South-African government, after 28 years in prison, he was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1993, and he won the election as the first black president of South Africa in 1994.

The exhibition was conceived in 2008, and it has already been seen by over 1 million people from diverse countries, as France, Sweden, the United States, Ecuador, Argentina, Peru, and Luxemburg.

Fortaleza is a Landmark

Fortaleza was the first city in Brazil to host the exhibition. The opening cocktail party for the exhibition was held on the night of June 19th, and included the presence of several authorities, as Mr. Joseph Mashimbye, the South African ambassador in Brazil; Mrs. Izolda Cela, the vice-governor of Ceará; Mr. Fabiano Piúba, the State Cultural secretary; Mr. Christopher Till, the Apartheid Museum curator; Mr. Paulo Linhares, the president of the "Instituto Dragão do Mar" (Sea Dragon Institute); and Mr. João Bosco Monte, the president of the Brazil Africa Institute.

The "Museu da Cultura Cearense" (Ceará State Cultural Museum) is open to the public, inside the "Centro Cultural Dragão do Mar" (Sea Dragon Cultural Center), from June 20th to August 12th. The Mandela exhibition is considered a landmark for the city of Fortaleza, as 19,974 people visited during that period, one of the largest public in the history of the "Centro Cultural Dragão do Mar."



Important Visit of the Exhibition in Brasilia

The capital city of Brazil also was visited by the Mandela exhibition. The “Palácio do Itamaraty” (Itamaraty Palace) was selected for setting it up, the headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The opening ceremony included the attendance of Mr. Aloysio Nunes, the Minister of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Sérgio Sá Leitão, the Minister of Culture; Mr. Joseph Mashimbye, the South African Ambassador to Brazil; Prof. João Bosco Monte, president of IBRAF, and Mr. Christopher Till, the curator and director of the Apartheid Museum.

The exhibition took place from September 12th to October 4th, and 1,855 visitors visited the exhibition.

#MandelaDay2019

For the first time, the city of Fortaleza participated and was placed on the circuit to celebrate Nelson Mandela International Day on July 18th, the annual date for honoring the birthday of the South-African leader. Mandela Day besides featuring the exposition also included a movie session for students, a lecture, a workshop, folkloric presentations, and the Afro-Brazilian handcrafted street food market. The activities were free-of-charge and open to the public, and they took place at different locations along the “Praia de Iracema” (Iracema Beach), one of the busiest tourist attractions in Fortaleza. The planning was organized jointly with the Instituto Iracema and the Fortaleza City Hall.





The Brazil Africa Institute created the Youth Technical Training Program - YTTP to be a facilitator to approach Brazil to the African continent and concentrate its actions on promoting economic and social development and fighting poverty.

YTTP employs a series of methods to achieve professional development and to meet diverse necessities of African countries, utilizing technology, skills, and Brazilian know-how. The program concentrates on the following fields: agriculture and rural development, health, computer science, education, information and communication, infrastructure, and creative industries.

The goals are to supply a gap in skills, facilitate development, and transform the minds of youth to make positive changes; fight poverty, and more fundamentally, assure sustainable development on the continent; provide training for young African professionals in research and transfer technology. Thereby contributing to the development of local qualifications; provide support for unemployment among youth, make it possible for African post-graduates to enter the business world in a well-paid career, and, in the process, create wealth and subsidiary employment.



The second group of the program took place from November 19th to 24th, 2018. At that time, seven young African participated at the Cassava Post-Harvest and Processing Workshop in Brazil. Intensive training was done at the installations of Embrapa Cassava and Fruit Growing Center in Cruz das Almas, Bahia. The group was made up by small company administrators in the cassava sector. Four women and four men were selected to abide by gender equality, 1 participant from Nigeria, 3 participants from Cameroon, 3 participants from Ghana, and one from the Ivory Coast.



The “Cassava Post-Harvest and Processing Workshop” was organized and run by the Brazil Africa Institute (IBRAF), funded by the UN International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and implemented by the technical team of Embrapa Cassava and Fruit Growing Center.

The participants got information on advanced growing and processing techniques in the first three days, and then they visited cassava product processing units in Cruz das Alma and neighboring cities.

The group traveled to Salvador the following two days, where they participated at the 6th Brazil Africa Forum. There, they could all share their contacts, get new knowledge and even follow the session organized by FIDA that discussed the Portal of Rural Solutions, a web-based platform for promoting the acceptance of agricultural innovations and solutions and rural development in different contexts and diversified development contexts.



ATLANTICO: a new ocean

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2018 marked the beginning of an important transition for the ATLANTICO magazine. After publishing 13 printed editions, published every three months, and distributed to select public, the media vehicle of the Brazil Africa Institute enlarged its outreach and began a digital publication.

The new model provided more agility in its coverage, more space for texts, and multimedia contents, such as images and videos. Furthermore, more people can access, enjoy, and share all the contents produced by the IBRAF staff. In the beginning, all the printed published editions were digitalized and were published entirely online. They feature interviews, reports, opinion articles, travel tips so that now they can reach a larger reading public and can be easily found using online search engines and then published on social media networks.

Meanwhile, new contents are being produced daily. They are focused on Brazil-African relations and abide by the scope of the South-South Cooperation; ATLANTICO seeks to register all changes made by companies and organizations to make Brazil approach the African continent, and vice-versa. The online edition can be easily accessed on cell phones and tablets, as well as computers connected to the internet, at the following address: www.atlanticoonline.com



the new IBRAF headquarters in Ghana

Accra, the capital city of Ghana, was chosen to set up the new IBRAF base, the first one on African soil. The choice of this city considered logistic, political, and economic aspects. Accra has good flight options to facilitate the transportation of the IBRAF staff, as well as a strong international agenda, such as a significant presence of multilateral organizations and important financial institutions.

IBRAF, with its new headquarters, intends to not only facilitate the execution of previously existing actions but also, above all, attract new ideas for developing Brazil and African countries. Therefore, establishing a presence in Africa can stimulate discussion with other institutions, local as well as international.

The ceremony for launching the new headquarters included the attendance of Sr. John A. Kufuor, the former president of Ghana, who could not hide his satisfaction due to the arrival of the Institute on the continent. The inauguration of the headquarters in Accra also included the presence of Maria Elisa Teófilo de Luna, the Brazilian Ambassador to Ghana, Abena Busia, the Brazilian Ambassador to Ghana, Dr. Owusu Akoto, the Minister of Food and Agriculture of Ghana, representative from Brazilian companies, universities, international organizations, as the Forum for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (FIDA), and the Japanese International Cooperation Agency (JICA).



"it is a great day, and I am so happy to be here. The relations between Brazil and Africa, most specifically, to Ghana, must be sustained and promoted. This is what Professor Bosco is doing, and I support him. I wish a long life to the Institute".

John A. Kufuor

The “Ordem de Rio Branco” (Rio Branco Order) Commander

Prof. Monte, the president of IBRAF, was honored in April 2018, as the “Ordem de Rio Branco” (Rio Branco Order) Commander, a prestigious award from the Brazilian government created in honor of the “Barão do Rio Branco” (Baron of Rio Branco), the Father of Brazilian Diplomacy. The award was granted in a ceremony, which was attended by the presence of Michel Temer, the Brazilian President at that time, at the “Palácio do Itamaraty” (Itamaraty Palace), in Brasília.

The Order of Rio Branco was created in 1963 to award individuals, legal entities, civil organizations, domestic or foreign military corporations, who are considered to deserve notoriety for services rendered or achieved merits.



AGRF 2018

Prof. João Bosco Monte in September 2018 was one of the panel lecturers on “Global Partnerships for the African Agenda for Agricultural Transformation” organized by the Presidential Leadership of the Alliance for a Green Revolution Forum (AGRF), in 2018. AGRF is considered as the most important and impacting forum in the world on African agriculture, uniting important players on the agricultural scenario to implement actions and share lessons on making progress in African agriculture.

Prof. Monte shared a panel with Mr. Andrew Ndaamunhu Bvumbe, the executive director of the World Bank; Mr. Hon. Wu Hongyao, leader of the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs of China; Dr. Naoko Ishii, CEO of Global Environment Facility (GEF); and Dr. Stefan Schmitz, Head of Rural Development and Food Security of the Ministry of Cooperation and Development from Germany (BMZ). The panel discussed different global partnerships that are impelling the transformation of the agricultural sector throughout Africa. The lecturers spoke about the core continental programs on the scope of South-South Cooperation. AGRF 2018 took place in Kigali, Rwanda.

The UN South-South Cooperation Day

President João Bosco Monte was the keynote speaker at the celebration ceremony of the United Nations South-South Cooperation Day in September 2018. The event was promoted by three UN agencies, the headquarters in Rome: the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (FIDA), and the World Food Programme (PMA).

Prof. Monte spoke about the role of the South-South and Triangular Cooperation during the introduction to the event to comply with the goals of the 2030 Agenda and the SDO. Following that, he met with the discussion panel on the Terrestrial Ecosystem Science Center (TESC) with representatives from developing countries, governments, and agricultural organizations. At that time, the Buenos Aires Action Plan was discussed for the Promotion and Implementation of Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (BAPA).

After those sessions, Prof. Monte was received by Dr. Maria Helena Semedo, the substitute managing director of FAO. They started a discussion on how to strengthen cooperation in working toward achieving Zero Hunger and Sustainable Development Objectives (SDO).



IATF Ambassador

Prof. João Bosco Monte was granted the title of Active Ambassador of the Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF) by Mr. Albert M. Muchanga, commissioner of the African Union for Commerce and Industry and by Dr. Benedict Oramah, CEO and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the African Bank of Importation and Exportation (Afreximbank).

The Intra-African Trade Fair (IATF) is organized by Afreximbank in collaboration with the African Union Commission to create a sustainable platform for connecting buyers and sellers all over Africa. The fair occurred from December 11th – 17th, 2018, at the International Exhibition Center in Cairo Egypt.



Global Child Nutrition Forum

João Bosco Monte, the president, was invited to give a lecture at the 20th Global Child Nutrition Forum (GCNF) in October 2018 that took place in Tunis, the capital city of Tunisia. The panel discussed the multiple benefits of school lunches, including the participation of Dr. Don Bundy, from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, and Mrs. Bibi Giyose, from the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).

The Global Child Nutrition Forum is a conference for exchanging learning and technical support held annually for the support of developing countries and the implementation of sustainable programs for school lunches. The 20th edition was co-organized by the Global Child Nutrition Foundation, the Center of Excellence of the World Food Programme against Hunger, and the Government of the Republic of Tunisia.



IBRAF unites in the struggle against avoidable blindness

In March 2018, IBRAF became a partner to the second generation of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness (AFAB), an initiative conducted by the Islamic Development Bank (IsDB) and the Islamic Solidarity Fund for Development (ISFD). The program seeks to restore sight to blind people who suffer from visual deficiency (low vision) that could be prevented or treated. Prof. João Bosco Monte, the President of IBRAF, participated in the Coordination Meeting of the AFAB in the city of Istanbul, in Turkey, jointly with the other 22 partners.

The first phase had achieved the target of 244,197 supplied ophthalmological exams and 49,486 cataract surgeries performed in eight African countries. The second generation of the program started in 2018 and will continue until 2022 in 12 African countries: Burkina Faso, Chad, Cameroon, Ivory Coast, Djibouti, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Mauritania, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, and Togo. There are other planned initiatives for the program, such as improving ophthalmological skills and ocular surgery, setting up healthcare centers and furnishing scholarships for preparing new doctors and nurses in those countries.



John A. Kufuor: a new member on the Advisory Board

John A. Kufuor, the former president of Ghana, became an honorary member of the Advisory Board of the Brazil Africa Institute. Prof. João Bosco Monte, the president of IBRAF and Mrs. Maria Elisa Teófilo, the ambassador to Brazil in January 2018, was welcomed in his office, in the city of Acra.

John A. Kufuor was the President of Ghana from 2001 to 2009, and nowadays he leads a foundation for leadership, governance, and development. In 2011, he was awarded the World Food Prize for Food and Agriculture, in recognition of his work for fighting hunger during the period he governed the country.



presidential elections in Brazil

“The future of Brazil-Africa relations: Analysis of the proposal of the candidates of the candidates for the Presidency of the Republic of Brazil” it is a document that analyzed the government plans from the 13 candidates who ran for president of Brazil. The IBRAF team prepared it. The document shows what is planned by each candidate and proposes a reflection on what is necessary for returning to the common agenda between Brazil and the countries on the African continent. The historical link between Brazil and Africa, from the African Diaspora, is responsible for constructing the Brazilian identity nowadays, thereby also justifies necessary attention to this theme.

According to this report, published in September 2018, only five of the thirteen presidential candidates mentioned Africa in their government plans. As follows: Ciro Gomes, Fernando Haddad, Guilherme Boulos, João Goulart Filho, and Marina Silva. However, generally, there are not any concrete proposals.

One week after the publication of the document, some international leaders reacted to the possible weakening of the relations between Brazil and the African continent.

“The Brazil Africa Institute report is extremely important as it very precisely describes the current political-electoral context in Brazil. That type of analysis as presented by IBRAF makes it possible to strengthen relations in all sectors of Brazil to the countries on the African continent, and it is extremely important to the Brazilian South-South cooperation.”

Daniel Balaban, director of the Centre of Excellence against Hunger of the World Food Programme (WFP).

“That essentially reflects a long and established historical pattern, in which I think Brazil and Africa did not truly solidify many of the existing potentialities for the two continents to develop closer relations. I think the closest political partnerships convert into something that allows Brazil to enter into partnerships with their African sister countries to influence global agendas but have been improperly] exploited. Thus, the observation that the African agenda is absent in the presidential plan in the next Brazilian election is not surprising. I believe that reinforces the well-established historical pattern that has been affected for the past few decades”.

Ola Bello, diretor executivo da Good Governance Africa.



Brazil Africa Institute promoted discussions with the most diverse organizations in 2018. Some of these discussions turned into agreements, formalized as a Memorandum of Understanding.

These agreements expanded the IBRAF scope of the actions making dialogs possible on other latitudes and thereby recognizing the importance of the Brazil Africa Institute as a vector for transforming projects into ideas.

The partnerships marked in 2018 added to the previously entered agreements with other important organizations, such as the International Center of Renewable Energy (CIBiogás), The Centre of Excellence against Hunger from the United Nations World Food Program, the University of International Integration of Afro-Brazilian Portuguese-Speaking Countries (Unilab), The Higher Education Institute of Social Sciences and Politics of the University of Lisbon (ISCSP), the OP Jindal Global University (JGU), and Latin American Development Bank (CAF).

FARA

The Brazil Africa Institute and the Foundation for Agricultural Research in Africa (FARA) signed a Memorandum of Understanding to perform actions for developing agriculture in Brazil and the African continent.

The document text proposes that both organizations work jointly to establish African-Brazilian Partnerships for innovation, developing skills, training for youth, and develop agribusiness, seeking to achieve targets of the Science Agenda for Agriculture in Africa (S3A).

The partnerships will include facilities for exchanges between companies, adoption of innovations and technologies, creation of space for policy formulators in Africa, as well as in Brazil to engage entrepreneurs and other interested players, exploiting mutual and available opportunities for cultural purposes between Brazil and African countries.

The document was signed in January by Dr. Yemi Akinbami, the Executive Director of FARA, and Prof. João Bosco Monte, the President of IBRAF in April 2018, at the FARA headquarters, in Acra.

John A. Kufuor Foundation

IBRAF also signed a memorandum of understanding with the John A. Kufuor Foundation (JAKF). The purpose is to promote innovation, youth skill training, and exchanging ideas between Brazil and Ghana.

The document was signed in Acra, in January 2018, during the launching of the Kufuor Young Entrepreneur Network (K-YEN) by Prof. João Bosco Monte, the president of IBRAF and Prof. Baffour Agyeman Duah, the CEO of JAKF and John A. Kufuor, the former president was also present.

K-YEN is an initiative to provide support to young Ghanaian entrepreneurs, consolidating, and setting up sustainable companies through skill-building activities, including guidance, training, and access to funding. The idea of the partnership agreement is to strengthen the Youth Technical Training Program (YTTP).





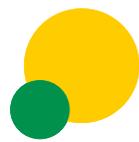
CPLP

The Brazil Africa Institute (IBRAF) in December and the Community of Portuguese-Language Speaking Countries (CPLP) signed a memorandum of understanding at their headquarters in Lisbon for partnerships and developing projects. The act was witnessed by the directory board of CPLP and by Gonçalo Mourão, the Ambassador of the Brazilian Mission at the entity.

CPLP was created in 1996, and it is made up by nine-member Countries: Angola, Brazil, Cape Verde, Guinea-Bissau, Equatorial Guinea, Mozambique, Portugal, São Tomé and Príncipe, and East Timor. The organization was present at the 6th Brazil Africa Forum.

“IBRAF and CPLP must act jointly in capturing funding and executing projects to benefit Portuguese-Language countries, especially youth. This agreement represents the establishment of a partnership that proposes to further develop all types of relations between Brazil and Africa”

Ambassador Gonçalo Mourão



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