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### Roundtable Discussion with the President of Mozambique HE Armando Emilio Guebuza

#### Outcomes Report

The Australian Institute of International Affairs hosted a roundtable discussion and light lunch for the President of Mozambique His Excellency Armando Emilio Guebuza on Thursday 14 March 2013 at the AIIA National Office Conference Centre. The President was accompanied by a party of twelve Mozambican politicians and advisors including the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, the Minister at the State House for Social Affairs and the Minister for Mineral Resources. He was also accompanied by the Australian High Commissioner to Mozambique HE Mr Graeme Wilson.

The event began with a welcome by AIIA National President John McCarthy. The President then made some opening remarks discussing the role of Mozambique as a leader in southern Africa and emphasizing the importance of Mozambique's relationship with Australia. Following on from these remarks the subsequent discussion included topics such as the Southern African Development Community (SADC), the Community of Portuguese Language Countries (CPLP), foreign investment in Mozambique, student exchanges and the importance of Australian aid in projects such as increased agricultural production and the eradication of the Konzo disease.





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## Participants

The AIA invited guests from a variety of backgrounds and areas of expertise.

### Embassies and High Commissions:

- High Commissioner of Botswana
- High Commissioner of Ghana
- Ambassador of Zimbabwe
- Ambassador of Timor-Leste
- High Commissioner of Mauritius
- High Commissioner of South Africa
- High Commissioner of Nigeria
- High Commissioner (Designate) of Uganda
- Charge d'Affaires, Embassy of Portugal

### Government

- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
- AusAID
- Austrade

### Academic Institutions and Think Tanks

- Australian National University
- University of Melbourne
- Flinders University
- The African Think Tank

### Business Enterprises

- Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research
- Philip Eliason and Associates
- Australia Africa Business Council
- Minerals Council of Australia
- Dragoman





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