

First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Serbia Ivica Dacic met today in Maputo with a group of prominent business people of Mozambique headed by the President of the Confederation of Business Associations of Mozambique Agostinho Vuma.

In his introductory statement, Minister Dacic informed the audience of the economic potentials of the Republic of Serbia and opportunities for the country's economic cooperation with Mozambique, undergoing a process of structural economic reforms implemented by the Government of Serbia, as well as of the process of Serbia's European integration.

The business people expressed a great interest in the promotion of trade cooperation and proposed that negotiations and umbrella inter-state bilateral agreements in the field of economic cooperation and development of agriculture be accelerated.

Agostinho Vuma was particularly keen on establishing contacts with the Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry aimed at advancing business cooperation and economic exchanges, and proposed establishment of cooperation among the relevant fair associations.

Joint presence on third markets was also discussed with special emphasis on cooperation and transfer of technology in the field of agriculture and food processing industry.

The visit of the Serbian Foreign Minister to the Confederation of Business Associations of Mozambique received a lot of media attention and following the meeting with businesspeople Minister Dacic was available to answer their questions.