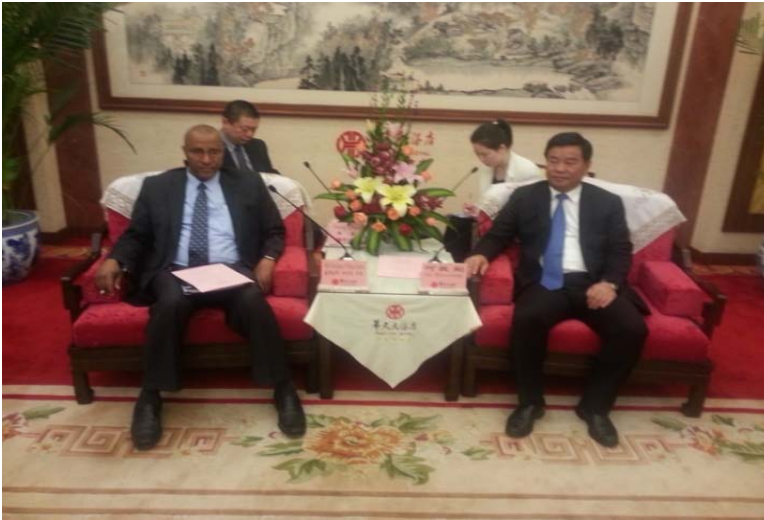


Ethiopia-Hunan(China) Industrial Investment Cooperation Fair conducted

Ethiopian Embassy, Beijing, 1 April 2014- The Ethiopia-Hunan Industrial Investment Cooperation Fair was held at the grand ballroom of Hua Tian Hotel from March 25-27/2014 with more than seventy officials from the municipal and city governments and 134 companies from Hunan Province in attendance.

Ambassador Tesfaye Yilma, Deputy Head of the Ethiopia Embassy in Beijing led the delegation to the working visit in Changsha, the capital city of Hunan Province

The delegation also met with high level provincial government officials and made a field visit to production lines of prominent companies at provincial, national and international level.



The delegation met with Honourable He Bao Xiang the Deputy Governor of Hunan Province and officials from the Economic and Information Commission as well as the Foreign and Overseas Chinese Affairs Bureau, the Provincial Commerce Bureau. During the discussion with Honourable He Bao Xiang, the two sides expressed strong interest in strengthening business and people-to-people relations between Ethiopia and the Province. Hunan is one of the provinces that have established strong business links with Ethiopia.

In an interview with Hunan TV Station, the head of the delegation Ambassador Tesfaye Yilma, briefed viewers on the existing excellent relations between Ethiopia and China and the strong interest in growing business ties that initiated the visit. The Province is recognized as home to companies with interest to investment to Ethiopia.



At the Hunan-Ethiopia Industrial Investment Cooperation Fair, Honourable Mr. Xie Chaoying, the Director of Economic and Information Commission of Hunan Province, delivered a keynote statement. The Ethiopian delegation made a presentation on the investment opportunities and incentives in Ethiopia and made an introduction to more than 20 projects made available by the Ethiopian government for private or joint venture investment. The China office of Eastern Industry Zone in Ethiopia introduced its facilities and the favorable investment environment in Ethiopia to the audience.

The delegation also visited various companies with strong interest to invest in Ethiopia.