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Can-Do People!**

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kemey zeykewn!)*



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## **UN Delegation Held Meetings With Eritrean officials**

A UN Delegation headed by Ms. Leila Pakkala, UNICEF Regional Director and Eritrea Focal Point, UNDG-East and Southern Africa, and Mr. Ashraf El Nour, International Organization for Migration, Regional Director for East and the Horn of Africa, conducted a working visit from 15-17 November in Eritrea and held talks with a number of Eritrean officials.

In the course of a meeting with Foreign Minister Osman Saleh, the group received briefings on the situation in Eritrea. The Minister informed the Delegation that Eritrea had put up effective staunch resistance against external conspiracies. Further more, he underscored the responsibility of the UN in ensuring the implementation of the final and binding decision of the Eritrea-Ethiopia Boundary Commission's ruling on Border Delimitation and Demarcation.

Similarly, the Delegation held talks with Dr. Gergis Teklemichael, Minister of National Development. During the meeting, the Minister explained Eritrea's development achievements in the wake of liberation and the nation's attaches vital significance to collaboration with the part of partners to this end.

In the same vein, the Delegation received briefings from Ms. Amina Nur-husein, Minister of Health, and Mr. Kahsai Gebrehiwet, Minister of Labor and Human Welfare, on the progress in both sectors, in addition to prospects of cooperation thereof.

Moreover, the Delegation received briefings from Mr. Tesfai Gebreselasie, Minister of Land, Water and Environment, regarding the nation's polices pertaining to environmental conservation and land management. Besides, Mr. Tesfai and the UN group discussed possible cooperation on combating desertification.

Still more, the Delegation held discussion with Finance Minister Berhane Habtemariam.

In a meeting held with Mr. Yemane Gebremeskel, Director of the President's Office, the Delegates were briefed about Eritrea's development programs and achievements, as well as discussed possible enhancement of cooperation in this domain.

Also in meetings with heads of both the NUEYS and the NUEW, the Delegation was briefed on the objectives and achievements of the Unions, in addition to discussing possible partnership cooperation with them.

In another respect, the UN Delegation observed UN-assisted development projects in the villages of Lamza, Merhano and Adi-Ke in the Central region, during which it received briefings by experts.

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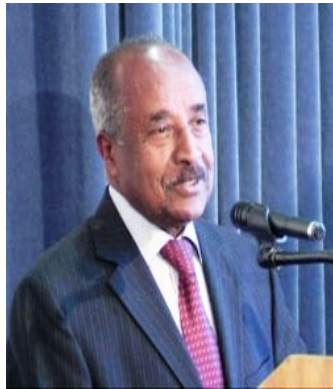
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## Eritrean and Finnish Higher Education Institutions Developed Action Plan to Enhance Cooperation

A consultative meeting between representatives of Eritrea and Finland on enhancing cooperation in the domain of education was conducted in Asmara from 2-6 November 2014.



The meeting mapped out an action plan to foster cooperation between the two countries in upgrading teachers' capacity, promoting creativity and innovation, as well as developing computer technology.

Foreign Minister Osman Saleh, in remarks he made during the conclusion of the consultative meeting, expressed Eritrea's readiness to translate into action the understanding reached with Finland.

Likewise, Ms. Sanna Takala, Representative of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland, stated that outcomes of the bilateral consultations will be put into action.

Moreover, the 8-member delegation composed of heads of Finnish higher education institutions conducted visits to Eritrean tertiary education institutions.

## Turkish Business Delegation Visited Eritrea

A delegation of Turkish Exporters Assembly (TİM) paid a visit to Asmara from 4-7 November 2014.



During its stay in Asmara, the Delegation had a fruitful discussions with 113 members of Eritrean Business Community.



## Eritrean Mekseb Debesay Won Cameroon's Grand Prix International Chantal Biya

Eritrean professional cyclist Mekseb Debesay who rides for the German club Bike Aid won the 14th edition of the Grand Prix International Chantal Biya which was held from 6-9 November 2014 in Cameroon.

