



JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

II Session of the Partnership Dialogue between the Republic of Mozambique and the European Union

1. On 18 June 2025, the Government of the Republic of Mozambique and the European Union (EU) held the second Partnership Dialogue in Maputo, within the framework of the Partnership Agreement with the African, Caribbean and Pacific States, known as the Samoa Agreement. The dialogue, co-chaired by Her Excellency Maria Manuela Lucas, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Mozambique, and His Excellency Antonino Maggiore, Ambassador of the European Union to Mozambique, took place under the theme *“Mozambique - European Union Partnership Dialogue: Promoting reforms, strengthening democracy, ensuring sustainable and inclusive development”*.
2. The Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation was accompanied by Secretaries of State from some Ministries, representatives from other Ministries and staff from various government bodies. On the European Union side, Ambassador Antonino Maggiore was accompanied by the Ambassadors of Portugal, France, Germany, Spain, Czechia, Lithuania, Finland and Italy; the *Chargé d’Affaires* of the Netherlands; the Heads of Diplomatic Offices of Belgium and Austria; and the Political Counsellors of Denmark, Ireland and Sweden. Senior officials from the European Union Delegation in Mozambique also took part in the dialogue.
3. The Government of the Republic of Mozambique and the EU welcomed the second partnership dialogue, which reaffirms their strong bilateral relations, based on decades of shared values, cooperation and friendship.
4. The Partnership Dialogue discussed: (i) the domestic political context, including the post-election environment and the reform agenda; (ii) the current state of bilateral relations; and (iii) the shared priorities on the international agenda, particularly in the areas of security, peace and stability.
5. The Government of the Republic of Mozambique reaffirmed its commitment to inclusive national dialogue, within the framework of the Political Commitment promoted by His Excellency Daniel Chapo, President of the Republic of Mozambique, and to advancing reforms in broader areas that can lead to the strengthening of national unity, sustainable development, respect for human rights and political liberties, while contributing to regional stability.
6. The EU recognised the efforts made by the Government of the Republic of Mozambique to promote inclusive political dialogue and re-establish the social contract, and stressed the particular urgency of reforms in the judicial system and the electoral framework, in line with the recommendations of the EU Electoral Observation Mission. The EU expressed its willingness to support the reform process. The EU welcomed the meetings held between the President of the Republic of Mozambique, His Excellency



Daniel Francisco Chapo, and Mr Venâncio Mondlane, and stressed its support for his inclusion in the dialogue process.

7. In the area of bilateral relations, the EU and its Member States expressed their satisfaction with the progress of the partnership with Mozambique, despite the global geopolitical and financial constraints. They reaffirmed their commitment to working with the Government of the Republic of Mozambique to achieve the jointly agreed development objectives by 2027, within the framework of the EU-Mozambique Multiannual Indicative Programme 2021-2027 and the implementation of the Africa-Europe Investment Package, within the framework of the Global Gateway Strategy. The EU stressed the need for a favourable environment to increase trade and investment flows with Mozambique. The Republic of Mozambique reiterated its request for the EU to consider resuming direct support for the State Budget, which was interrupted in 2015.
8. With regard to the situation in Cabo Delgado province in particular, the EU reiterated the need for an integrated approach to respond to the challenges of security, development and humanitarian aid. The EU pledged its commitment to supporting Mozambique in the fight against terrorism in Cabo Delgado and neighbouring provinces. The EU also emphasised the start of the mandate of the EU Military Assistance Mission in 2024 (which succeeded the EU Military Training Mission), with the aim of continuing support to the FADM in developing the capacities needed to restore peace and security in Cabo Delgado.
9. Regarding regional and global peace and security challenges, both sides agreed to continue working together to deepen their cooperation through enhanced diplomatic engagement and expressed their commitment to multilateralism, a rules-based international order, regional integration and the peaceful resolution of disputes. Particular emphasis was placed on tackling security issues, the fight against terrorism, strengthening humanitarian action and the defence of human rights. They also exchanged views on developments in the Middle East, Ukraine and the southern African region.
10. In the context of the 25th Anniversary of the African Union-European Union Partnership, the parties expressed their commitment to the Summit scheduled for the second half of this year and welcomed the results of the Ministerial Meeting held in Brussels on 21 May.
11. The EU congratulated the people and government of the Republic of Mozambique on celebrating 50 years of national independence and praised the long-standing partnership that the two parties have continued to develop over the years.
12. The delegations of the Government of the Republic of Mozambique and the European Union reiterated their commitment to holding regular Partnership Dialogues to assess progress on agreed priorities and address issues of common interest.

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