



Extending International Partnerships to Provinces through Agribusiness

The Embassy and the Consulate in Brazil, in partnership with Paraná Development Agency (PDA) and Federação das Indústrias do Estado de São Paulo (FIESP) hosted a business seminar from 5 -7 June 2017 and 8 June 2017 at the States of Paraná and São Paulo, respectively.

Left to right: CEO of Parana Development Agency, Mr. Adalberto Neto, Ambassador N. Mashimbye, Vice Governor of the State of Parana, Ms. Cida Borghetti, Premier of North West Province, Mr. Supra Mahumapelo, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, General Bheki Cele

The Honorable Deputy Minister Bheki Cele led the SA delegation constituted by Mr Supra Mahumapelo, the Premier of North West Province, Members of the Executive Council from North West and Northern Cape Provinces, and senior officials from national and provincial government.



Left to right: President of Ocepar System, Mr. José Roberto Ricken, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries, General Bheki Cele, Parana State Secretary of Planning and General Coordination, Mr. Cyllêneo Pessoa Pereira Junior, Ambassador N. Mashimbye, CEO of Paraná Development Agency, Mr. Adalberto Neto, Head of the Department of Sustainable Rural Development, Mr. Richardson de Souza



Mr Shushu, MEC Northern Cape with Norberto Ortigara, Secretary of Agriculture and Food Supply



Premier Mahumapelo and delegation at Embryo Transplant Centre in Ponta Grossa

The business mission entailed a seminar and site visits to ensure that the provinces and the Department of Agriculture gain insight on the Brazilian integrated development system with specific reference to agribusiness and cooperatives. In his opening remarks, Ambassador Ntshikiwane Mashimbye emphasised the need to address the trade imbalance between the two countries. Participation of Provinces during the business mission prompted a dialogue on how provinces could be assisted in finding opportunities abroad to strengthen the small enterprises development.