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## Rwanda celebrates African industrialization day

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The ministry of trade and industry (Minicom) and Rwanda association of manufacturers (RAM) celebrated the African industrialization day on Friday.

Speaking at the event which took place at Strawtec industry in the Special Economic Zone, Industry and Trade Minister François Kanimba explained that the day aims at creating productive and long-lasting relationships between research institutions and manufacturers.

"Industrialization creates milestones for African countries to review and reflect on the industrialization strategies. Rwanda, like many developing countries, aspires to transform into a modern and industrialized status," said the minister.



Industry and Trade Minister François Kanimba. (file photo)

Kanimba added that there is need to ensure a more structural dialogue between institutions of learning and the business community. This, he notes, will produce graduates with the required on the labour market, especially in the industrial sector.

The head of operations at the United Nations industrial development organization (UNIDO), Andre Habimana reaffirmed his organization's commitment to the Rwandan industrial development.

'We need to build a resilient infrastructure which will include a sustainable industrial development and fostering innovation," he said.