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Initially the EU-funded programs were presented : for 2007-2013 years, the EU in Rwanda, will fund activities for the development of priority areas such as transport, good governance and justice. Later it was talked more specifically about the private sector, related to Pro-Invest project, co-financed by the European Commission, that the CC ItAlAfrica Centrale is developing in Rwanda, Gabon and Democratic Republic of Congo.

With the Minister of Local Government **James Musoni** it was discussed about the various funding opportunities available in order to make participate the ministry to specific programs to improve the services offered through partnerships with Italian institutions. The CC ItAlAfrica Centrale will ensure the presence of its experts and the optimization of relationships with Italian regions and municipalities, and the preparation of cooperation projects aimed at strengthening skills in certain sectors for Rwanda: transportation, good governance and justice.

The Ambassador **Stanislas Kamanzi** (Minister of the Environment and Earth) has focused attention on the priorities of the country, water and biodiversity. Initially, the ministry has listed the priority areas and projects on which they would like to cooperate, while ItAlAfrica presented the projects in Africa by its members. From this exchange of experiences it has created an opportunity for collaboration, on which you are currently working through the signing of an agreement between the two entities. ItAlAfrica will also work for the acquisition of EU funding by proposing to the Ministry to participate to thematic programs, involving experience and know-how for companies.

Ms **Monique Nsanzabaganwa** (Minister of Trade and Industry) and Director of Investments, Kaliza Karuretwa have expressed strong interest in the Pro-Invest project aimed at strengthening the private sector and investment promotion in Rwanda. In this regard, the Ministry has asked to be involved in relations with the Italian private sector, but also more generally in other programs.

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