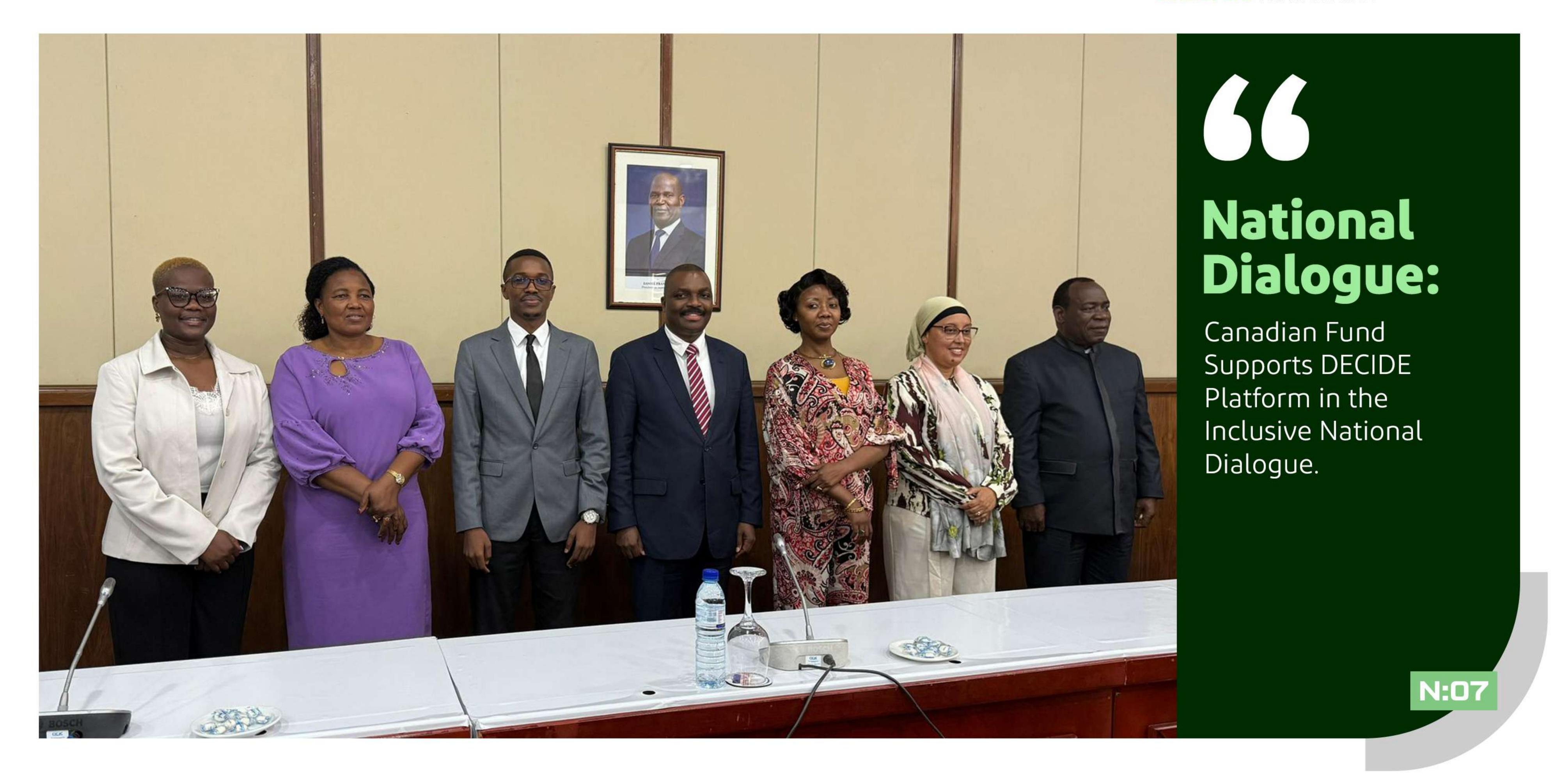


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The Platform for Democracy, Citizenship, Rights and Studies (DECIDE) participated on Thursday, October 9, 2025, in a meeting with the Technical Commission for the National Dialogue (COTE). DECIDE's presence at this event reaffirmed the organisation's commitment to promoting a reconciliation process grounded in public consultation, transparency, and citizen participation.

The DECIDE delegation, led by Executive Director Wilker Dias, presented the initiatives the platform is implementing with the support of the Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI), focusing on civic monitoring with biweekly reports starting in November as well as social consultation and public knowledge production on the dialogue process.

The CFLI's support has enabled DECIDE to mobilise social actors, conduct training sessions, and develop innovative citizen consultation tools, including a podcast on the National Dialogue, designed to amplify the voices of communities and youth across all provinces.

The Canada Fund aims to reinforce the inclusive and participatory nature of this process, ensuring that civil society plays an active and independent role in gathering contributions and monitoring decisions. For DECIDE, this partnership represents a bridge between international human rights commitments and local action for participatory democracy in Mozambique.

During the session, COTE President Edson Macuácua underlined that "public consultation will be a national exercise in listening, reconciliation, and hope," highlighting the importance of engaging voices from urban areas, rural communities, and the diaspora. In statements reproduced by the Presidency of the Republic, Macuácua announced the creation of provincial listening brigades to collect contributions from all districts, reinforcing the decentralised nature of the process.

Media coverage was broad, with highlights from Deutsche Welle (DW), na Agência Lusa e na MBC, TVM, TV Sucesso, Miramar, and other outlets, which emphasised DECIDE's role as an independent interlocutor and facilitator of dialogue among institutions, communities, and youth.

With CFLI support, DECIDE will continue to develop monitoring mechanisms and citizen listening spaces, train community leaders, and disseminate public information on the progress of the process through local radio stations, social networks, and in-person meetings across provinces.

For the organisation, the National Dialogue is not merely a political event, but a civic and democratic exercise that belongs to all Mozambicans.