

The British Ambassador to Rwanda, Omar Daair, has extolled efforts made by the Government of Rwanda in tackling climate change, emphasizing that Rwanda is leading other countries in the region.

Amb Omar reiterated this in his talks with Prime Minister Dr Edouard Ngirente, reassuring him of his role in expanding cooperation and collaboration between the two countries.

“The UK appreciates Rwanda’s approach to tackling climate change and that it will have a say in the future of the International Conference on Climate Change in the United Kingdom, early November this year,” Amb Omar said.

“I think Rwanda is at the forefront in the region in terms of these issues because Rwanda has always been at the forefront of the development of eco-friendly technology. Rwanda has continued to look at how to mitigate the effects of climate change and how the process would turn into people working in a climate-initiating way.

“So I think that Rwanda will have its good news and it will reach out to the participants and that is how we as developed countries can contribute to helping the African continent deal with climate change.” the Ambassador pointed out.

He further underlined that as Rwanda attends the 26th United Nations Conference on Climate Change (COP-26) expected to take place in Glasgow, UK, will show others how it is doing in the face of adversity. And climate change is also a reflection of how the whole of Africa reacts.

Omar Daair also said that there is a lot he wants to see progress in the partnership between Rwanda and the United Kingdom.

“That’s what we will continue to do in education to support the tutoring of the girl child, I also want to see more done in environmental development while we are all recovering from the effects of COVID-19, and I want to see business between our countries and I think we have a lot of business connections on both sides, we have Rwandan tea and coffee being sold in the UK and I want to see that go up as we work together to support that effort.”

Clementine Mukeka, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, said the talks included the development of trade between Rwanda and

the United Kingdom.

“They talked about our strategy to develop the country, especially the economy and the way we do business because there are a lot of British companies operating in Rwanda, so we agreed on how we are going to continue to work together to improve the Rwandan economy, especially in education, agriculture and trade and the fight against the COVID-19 epidemic. ” he said

Amb. Omar Daair reiterated that the summit to bring together the leaders of the English-speaking countries CHOGM will be held in Rwanda next year on dates yet to be confirmed.