



Metropolitan Konstantin of Cairo and North Africa takes part in strategic session ‘Russia–Africa: Defining the Architecture of Co-operation’



DECR Communication Service, 05/10/2026

On 1st October 2026, in Moscow, Metropolitan Konstantin of Cairo and North Africa, Patriarchal Exarch of Africa, took part in a strategic session entitled “Russia–Africa: Defining the Architecture of Co-operation,” organized by African Initiative to mark this news agency’s third anniversary.

The meeting brought together representatives of Russian government bodies, diplomatic missions, as well as business and expert communities, website of the Exarchate **reports**.

Opening the session, African Initiative’s Editor-in-Chief Artem Kureev emphasised the importance of discussing the challenges related to engagement with the African continent in the run-up to the third Russia–Africa Summit. Participants in the meeting shared their opinions on how Russia should develop

its relations with Africa in future.

Speaking of the missionary work, the head of the Patriarchal Exarchate of Africa pointed out that despite obvious success, Russia and the Russian Orthodox Church in Africa faced serious challenges, including in organizing social and educational activities in African countries.

After the session, the hierarch had a meeting with the African Initiative staff to discuss prospects of cooperation between the Exarchate and the news agency in Africa.

Photo by **African Initiative**

Source: <https://mospat.ru/en/news/94613/>