

## **Canberra and Perth saw the first ever celebration of Guinbot 20**

Parliamentarians, Government officials, the Diplomatic Community, the private sector and the Ethiopian community in Canberra gathered at one of the prestigious clubs to celebrate the "GUIBOT 20" for the first time ever. During the event, the Representative of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Commonwealth of Australia conveyed a congratulatory message to the President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia and the People of Ethiopia.

The Ambassador of Ethiopia also made a speech to the invited guests. The Ambassador in his speech mentioned about the major strides of Ethiopia in the promotion of civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights; the various measures taken to improve the welfare of children and the measures taken to promote and protect the rights of women and the equal participation of women in political affairs.

Ambassador Arega has broadly spoken about the miraculous economic progress the country has been registering in the past 14 years and the fundamental transformation in the political-economy of the country and paid tribute to all partners in Africa and outside the continent for their solidarity and support to the development efforts of Ethiopia.

Also, the Ethiopian community in Perth city has turned out in big numbers to celebrate Guinbot 20 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. This event was attended by a Guest Honor HE Ato Tsegaye Berhe, Security Advisor to the Prime Minister of the FDRE.



At this event, H.E. Ato Tsegaye has addressed the community. In his address he has congratulated the community for coming together to their first ever colorful GUIBOT 20 celebration and encouraged them to pursue their togetherness and support to the causes of

the struggle that has brought the fruits we observe today. He has also updated them with the range of issues covering democracy, human rights, economy and development, diplomatic victories and security in and around the country. Mrs. Tirfu, Executive member of EPDRF, also addressed the community and talked about the role of women in Ethiopian politics and the status of women in Ethiopia. The community had the opportunity to enjoy the question and answer session with the Guest of Honor.



The community leaders have thanked the guest of honor for his visit to Perth and his elaborated address and celebrating the Guinbot 20 with them. The community have presented bouquets of flowers to the guests in attendance.





The evening in Perth was so colorful with traditional costumes, music and dances of nations and nationalities and peoples of Ethiopia.