## Cuban Vice President Closes 'FIHAV 2014'





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Havana, November 8 (RHC)-- Cuban Vice President Ricardo Cabrizas said that the Havana International Trade Fair has consolidated itself as the event of its kind that attracts the most attention of foreign companies and entrepreneurs doing business with Cuba.

On Friday evening, Cabrisas delivered the closing remarks of the 32nd edition of FIHAV. Cabrisas said: "Given the broad international participation and the results, FIHAV has consolidated itself as one of the most important trade events in Latin America and the Caribbean. It also serves as a bridge connecting trade companies and institutions of this part of the world with their peers from around the world, and fostering trade exchanges in an environment of peace and security.

"Our business executives have identified new markets to increase Cuba's exports of already consolidated, as well as new goods and services, which have received *high international acclaim* for their high quality."

Vice President Cabrisas pointed to the special interest of foreign entrepreneurs in both, the new Cuban investment Law and the Mariel Development Zone.

Regarding the new investment law, Cabrisas said that it offers new and very attractive opportunities to potential investors in prioritized economic and social sectors at medium and long terms. These sectors include, among others, renewable energy sources, biotechnology and the pharmaceutical industry,

mining, tourism and the oil industry.

The 32nd Havana International Fair 'FIHAV 2014' concluded Friday evening. The event, the largest of its kind over the past 12 years, was termed as a success by Cuban and foreign entrepreneurs alike.

At Friday's awards ceremony, Cuba garnered the most gold prizes and best design awards. Cuban award-winning companies included Brascuba, Cometal, Metalcuba, Etecsa, Boga, Havanaclub and the Light Industry's Business Group.

Other award-winning nations included Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Mexico and Spain, which participated with the largest delegation at this year's Havana International Trade Fair.

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