



[Why China became more popular than US in Africa](#)

A new Gallup poll indicates that China has outpaced the United States as the most influential power in Africa. Beijing's approval among Africans rose by six percentage points from 52 per cent in 2022 to 58 per cent in 2023. Besides, Washington's popularity fell from 59 per cent in 2022 to 56 per cent last year. This reflects a growing trend affirmed by other credible pollsters like Afrobarometer and Ichikowitz Family Foundation, which both rank China above the US in the popularity index. Nation.

[Africa's Business Heroes Hosts 40 African Entrepreneurs in China and Extends 2024 Application to June 9](#)

Africa's Business Heroes (ABH) Prize Competition, a philanthropic initiative sponsored by the Jack Ma Foundation and Alibaba Philanthropy, hosted forty participants—of the top 10 Heroes, other finalists and partners from across Africa—in Hangzhou, China. Participants engaged in an immersive experience at Alibaba's headquarters in Hangzhou and have returned to their home countries enriched with valuable insights to further enhance their entrepreneurial endeavours on the continent. During their visit, the ABH Heroes (spanning cohorts from 2019 to 2023) participated in a wide range of activities. These included deep dives that explored various facets of the digital economy from cloud computing and AI-driven logistics to e-commerce villages. They participated in a series of workshops and site visits—all designed to elevate entrepreneurs to a higher level of success. The Heroes also exchanged knowledge and explored opportunities for collaboration with business leaders from Alibaba and with each other. These activities provided the participants with new knowledge and perspectives that they can potentially apply to overcome challenges, seize opportunities and scale their businesses. Bella Naija.

[China in Africa: growing backlash against 'racism', economic exploitation](#)

A recent opinion poll found that China is now more popular in Africa than the United States. Yet, this popularity apparently goes hand in hand with a backlash the Chinese face in a growing number of African countries, with many accusing them of "malicious" behavior. According to a recent Gallup polling, 58% of respondents in Africa approve of China versus 56% for the US. While China generally continues to remain popular amongst Africans, for years, however, many have speculated about China's real intentions on the African continent. Several cases of perceived Chinese "malicious" behavior have recently made headlines across Africa. A video claiming to show a Chinese man whipping African workers has gained massive traction on social media, though this is not the first time that such incidents have been reported. In April last year, a similar report highlighted the ill-treatment of African workers by Chinese project managers. This has prompted a heated debate among viewers on how the Chinese treat the Africans like 'trans-Atlantic slaves', leading some to express the view that the former are 'far more racist than the White man' in Africa. The North Africa Post

[Russia and China Not as Sneaky as the West, Claims DRC President](#)

President Felix Tshisekedi recently weighed in on why African countries, especially the Democratic Republic of Congo, are increasingly leaning towards doing business with Russia and China over the West. According to the Russian newspaper Sputnik, Tshisekedi stated that Russia and China are less sneaky when it comes to conducting business in Africa than countries in the West. According to him, apart from being less preachy and less arrogant, the two countries have also treated the DRC with more respect than the West. Tshisekedi went on to maintain the right of African countries to associate with whomever they wish, stating “There are no reasons” for refusing friendship with Russia if it extends a hand. Africa.com.

Congo’s \$7 Billion Deal With China Linked to Copper Price Under New Contract

A revamped minerals-for-infrastructure deal between the Democratic Republic of Congo and China that will send billions of dollars in financing to the Central African nation is contingent on the price of copper, according to a newly published contract. Congo signed an updated agreement in March to its 2008 deal to trade copper and cobalt from a joint mining venture known as Sicominex for development funding. Under the new contract published on May 3, Congo will get \$324 million annually for infrastructure projects from its Chinese partners through 2040 as long as the copper price remains above \$8,000 per ton. Caixin Global.

China’s Support For Ethiopia to Join BRICS Testament For Stronger Ties Between Countries – Officials

High ranking government officials bid farewell to outgoing Chinese Ambassador Zhao Zhiyuan who has returned to China completing his mission in Ethiopia. Commissioner of the Ethiopian Federal Police Commission, Demelash Gebremichael, Chief Administrator of Oromia Regional State, Shimelis Abdissa and State Minister for Finance, Semereta Sewasew, among others, have seen off the outgoing Chinese Ambassador at Bole International Airport. On the occasion, Ambassador Zhao Zhiyuan has commended his tenure in Ethiopia as productive and successful. He added the partnership between Ethiopia and China has reached fifty years, adding that the relationship between the two countries has also transformed into an all-weather strategic partnership. The officials praised the outgoing Ambassador for his success in further cementing the ties between Ethiopia and China in multifaceted areas. During his tenure, the Ambassador has contributed to successful completion of Chinese projects in Ethiopia. Walta Media and Communication Corporate.

Across China: From Ghana to China, a young researcher's quest for greener world

It has long been Jeffrey Dankwa Ampah's dream to build a green and sustainable world. "My primary objective is to formulate viable pathways for the world to transition away from polluting fossil fuels and eventually help to realize our climate goals," said Ampah, a doctoral candidate from the Republic of Ghana, studying at Tianjin University in north China's Tianjin Municipality. Ampah's PhD centers on global climate challenges, specifically how to minimize the use of carbon to achieve global decarbonization goals, and reduce the negative impact of carbon removal on global energy, land, water and food systems. When he was in primary school, Ampah was irritated by frequent power outages. "Back then in my country, electricity was expensive and unstable. At one of those blackout moments, as a young inquisitive kid, I looked up at the blazing sun and wondered when my country would start generating electricity from the sun as the western world did since it is free, clean, and inexhaustible." Xinhua.

There is nothing like China’s Overcapacity – Xi Jinping

Whether viewed from the perspective of comparative advantage or global market demand, there is no such thing as “China’s overcapacity problem,” Chinese President Xi Jinping said here Monday. Xi made the remarks at a China-France-EU trilateral meeting with French President Emmanuel Macron and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen at Elysee Palace. China always views its relations with the EU from a strategic and long-term perspective, and regards Europe as an important dimension in its major-country diplomacy with Chinese characteristics and an important partner on its path toward Chinese modernization, Xi said. It is hoped that China-France and China-EU relations would reinforce each other and thrive together, Xi said. News Ghana.

[8th China-Russia Expo to exhibit trade and investment prospects](#)

The eighth China-Russia Expo is set to take place from May 16 to 21 in Harbin, northeast China’s Heilongjiang Province, the Chinese Ministry of Commerce announced on Monday. The event is part of the celebrations marking the 75th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Russia this year. It will feature a significant lineup of Russian enterprises organized by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation. Additionally, 16 Russian federal entities will present their businesses at the event, Chinese commerce ministry official Liu Xuesong said at a news conference. The expo will also serve as a platform to highlight Russia’s socio-economic development, investment opportunities, cooperative projects, quality products and distinctive cultural elements. It aims to foster extensive discussions and negotiations between the two countries in various sectors. News Ghana.

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