



[China, Africa see expanded tourism cooperation](#)

China just witnessed a booming outbound tourism market during the past May Day holiday. Apart from traditional popular destinations in Southeast Asia and Europe, an increasing number of Chinese tourists chose to travel to Africa, to see the pyramids in Egypt and the vast plains of Kenya. Not only Chinese but also international tourists are showing a growing interest in Africa. According to the newest edition of the World Tourism Barometer released by the United Nations World Tourism Organization, the number of international tourist trips paid to Africa hit 66.4 million in 2023. Among them, 39.6 million were paid to sub-Saharan Africa. People's Daily.

[Nigeria to embrace China, Russia, US as competition for \\$473 billion economy toughens](#)

The Nigerian government has said it will get along with rival economic powerhouses such as the United States, China and Russia as they all seek to cut their slices of cake from a \$473 billion economy. Nigeria's Minister of Foreign Affairs, Yusuf Maitama Tuggar, told MSNBC in an interview during his working visit to the US after the US-Africa Business Summit and the U.S.-Nigeria Binational Commission meetings held in both countries recently. He was asked to comment on the military and economic contests of the US, China, and Russia on the African continent. The question came amid the Federal Government's rebuttal of plans to allow any foreign military base in Nigeria. Naira Metrics.

[Nigeria, China Trade Deficit Stands At \\$18bn — NEPC.](#)

The Executive Director of the Nigerian Export Promotion Council (NEPC) Nonye Ayeni has disclosed that the trade deficit between Nigeria and China currently stands at \$18 billion as at the end of 2023. Nonye made the disclosure on Monday in Abuja during a collaborative meeting between the council and the Department of Commerce of Hunan Province, China. She said the meeting was important to improve on bilateral trade between Nigeria and China as Nigeria is the third largest trade partner to China and second largest importer of Chinese products. Speaking further, she said, "Given the existing trade relationship, we are here to discuss other things that will help us scale up. Hunan province is special to us because that is where we have our export trade house. Daily Trust.

[Chinese contractors hand over management of Ethiopia-Djibouti railway](#)

Over 2800 local staff have now been trained in operations, maintenance and safety. CHINA Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) and China Railway Engineering Corporation have formally handed over the management of the standard-gauge Ethiopia-Djibouti railway to the governments of Ethiopia and Djibouti. The handover was marked by a ceremony which took place on May 10 at Lebu station on the outskirts of the Ethiopian capital Addis Ababa, attended by senior government officials from Ethiopia and Djibouti. The two

Chinese companies have been responsible for building and maintaining the 752km electrified line from Addis Ababa to Djibouti, which entered service in January 2018. International Railway Journal.

[DR Congo allows China-owned company's mining operations after probing radiation levels](#)

Congo's mines ministry last month halted the activities of the COMMUS project, in which Zijin owns a 72% stake, to investigate mineral products returned from South Africa due to overly high radiation levels. Democratic Republic of Congo's government has lifted a suspension order on a Congolese copper and cobalt operation majority-owned by China's Zijin Mining Group Co. Ltd according to a letter seen by Reuters on Monday. Congo's mines ministry last month halted the activities of the COMMUS project, in which Zijin owns a 72% stake, to investigate mineral products returned from South Africa due to overly high radiation levels. First Post.

[Uganda in talks with China's Sinohydro over power line to South Sudan](#)

Uganda is in talks with Chinese firm Sinohydro Corporation Limited for the development of a \$180 million power transmission line to allow Uganda to export power to energy-starved South Sudan, the president's office said. As part of the talks, a delegation led by Yang Yi Xin, Sinohydro Corporation's vice president, met Uganda's President Yoweri Museveni on Monday, a statement from Museveni's office said late on Monday. The project will involve the construction of a 138-kilometre high-voltage transmission line to take power to South Sudan, the expansion of two substations and construction of one new one, the statement said. The East African.

[China funds school meals in Uganda](#)

Over 165,000 students in the northeastern Ugandan area of Karamoja will get school meals thanks to funding from China given to the World Food Programme (WFP). This is reported by China Daily, a partner of TV BRICS. By purchasing maize, beans, and vegetable oil, WFP will be able to feed children every day, encouraging them to come to school and concentrate on their education. This will lower the dropout rate and increase school attendance in a sustainable manner. According to a statement from WFP, smallholder farmers would also profit from having a market for their produce because it will come from local sources. With a focus on preparing wholesome meals and sourcing locally, the WFP's home-based school feeding programme has already significantly improved food security and stimulated regional economic growth. TV Brics.

[Chinese Oil Shipments Caught in the Middle of Niger-Benin Trade Feud](#)

Thousands of barrels of Nigerian oil should be flowing daily through a new 1,900km pipeline to the Port of Seme in neighboring Benin, from where it would be transported to China. But the pipeline is dry as the two West African countries enter the second week of a contentious trade dispute. The oil blockade began last Wednesday when President Patrice Talon accused Niger of halting food and agriculture imports. The China Global South Project.

[Sierra Leone's Leone Rock Metal Group Receives Advanced New Locomotives from China](#)

Leone Rock Metal Group has celebrated the completion of its 12-million-ton mineral processing plant, the acquisition of ten new locomotives, and the disbursement of its largest Community Development Agreement (CDA) Fund payment. On 10 May, CRRC Ziyang Co., Ltd. noted the handover of "the world's most powerful narrow-gauge AC drive diesel locomotives exported by China to Sierra Leone, which are set to operate in

Tonkolili, Sierra Leone for the first time." This batch of locomotives, manufactured by CRRC Ziyang under CRRC Corporation Limited, is designed for African narrow-gauge railways. The locomotives adopt advanced AC transmission technology and are equipped with a 3680 kW medium-speed diesel engine, capable of completing 10,000 tons of heavy-duty traction in double-locomotive configurations. Multi-system integration technology is an innovative approach to enhancing the safety and reliability of the locomotive. Railways Africa.

[Ambassador Zhao Weiping Attends Celebration of the 2024 International Chinese Language Day and “Chinese Bridge” Chinese-proficiency Competition](#)

On May 7, 2024, Ambassador Zhao Weiping attended the Celebration of the 2024 International Chinese Language Day and “Chinese Bridge” Chinese-proficiency Competition for College and Secondary School Students at the University of Namibia (UNAM). Over 200 teachers and students from relevant schools, including Prof. Kenneth Matengu, Vice Chancellor of UNAM, Prof. Ellen Namhila, Pro Vice Chancellor of UNAM, principals of relevant primary and secondary schools in Namibia, and Dr. Liu Dianbo, Chinese Director of the Confucius Institute at UNAM, participated in the event. The Namibian branch of Xinhua News Agency and several mainstream local media covered the event. Social News XYZ.

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