



### [China: A Reliable Partner In Africa's Greener And Greater Future](#)

China-Africa cooperation can be characterized in many ways. It is one that is based on sincerity, aims for real results, promotes amity, and proceeds from good faith. If one were to use a colour to highlight this cooperation, green comes to mind. At the very first Ministerial Conference of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) held in 2000, ministers from China and Africa realized and emphasized the need to strengthen cooperation on the development of green energy. Since then, it has remained an important part of China-Africa cooperation, featuring in the ten cooperation plans, eight major initiatives and nine programs under the FOCAC framework. Capital FM.

### [Beijing tightens China-Africa grip as trade rivals US, Russia seek bigger slice](#)

For the first time, the China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo (CAETE) came to Africa, with Nairobi playing host last week. According to the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China, it is expected to go around the continent, with different countries hosting the forum in the coming years. The Asian country is seen to be keen to continue with its influence and trade dominance on the African continent. China has launched a charm offensive on Africa in renewed efforts to try and tighten its grip on the continent, which has recently seen growing interest from the West in political and investment corporations. The Asian country is seen to be keen to continue with its influence on the African continent. The Exchange Africa.

### [How Africa Can Champion A Digital Future Through China Cooperation](#)

Signs of bloom appear in the Chinese economy, as key indicators this spring point to expansion. The world's second-largest economy showcases its new growth engine amid a flurry of international events. Analysts are rethinking their once bleak expectations for China, focusing instead on the potential impact of a compelling Chinese buzz term. First proposed last September by Chinese President Xi Jinping, "new quality productive forces" refer to productivity freed from traditional growth mode and development paths. Xi elaborated on areas such as green development, economic reforms, opening up, and talent cultivation, indicating how to promote the "new forces". Capital Fm

### [In Zambia, concerns about growing Chinese criminality](#)

While China has emerged as a crucial factor in Zambia's development agenda, helping the Southern African nation with infrastructure, rising cases of Chinese-backed criminal activities have created havoc within the country. By lending for infrastructure developments through its coveted Belt and Road project, China has increased its influence in Zambia's social and political spheres, but economic inequality has created a breeding ground for the presence of Chinese-Zambian gangs. The Africa Report.

### [\*\*With the help of China: Nigeria purchases 20 Mengshi armoured vehicles from local manufacturer\*\*](#)

The Nigerian army has received 20 new Mengshi light armoured vehicles from a local manufacturer that makes them from Chinese vehicle kits. The handover ceremony took place during the 24th week of combat training at the Abalti Barracks in Lagos. Officials including the representative of the Minister of Defence and the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry attended the event, which underscored the importance of the event to national security. The equipment is manufactured by defence contractor Equipment Protective Applications International (Epaal). The company is also required to train drivers and provide after-sales services such as maintenance and repair. Gagadget.com.

### [\*\*Ethiopia-Djibouti railway injects strong impetus into local development: FM\*\*](#)

The Ethiopia-Djibouti railway is the first standard-gauge railway in East Africa and a flagship project between China and the two countries under the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). Having created more than 55,000 jobs for locals, the railway has greatly strengthened connectivity between Ethiopia and Djibouti and injected strong impetus into their economic and social development, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesperson Wang Wenbin said on Tuesday. A Chinese saying goes, "It is more important to teach people how to fish than just giving them fish." The Ethiopia-Djibouti railway is a good example, Wang said at a regular press conference. China has not only constructed a modern railway in cooperation with Ethiopia and Djibouti, but also trained more than 2,800 local professionals, helping build an excellent local team, Wang said. ECNS.

### [\*\*DR Congo allows Zijin mine to resume operations, Mines Ministry letter says\*\*](#)

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 percent stake, to investigate mineral products returned from South Africa due to overly high radiation levels. The Mines Ministry on Monday confirmed a letter to the director general of Commus dated May 10, in which it wrote that it had received a report on the investigation's findings and that the suspension was lifted. The East African.

### [\*\*China's Hailiang, Shinzoom to Build Auto Battery Plants in Morocco\*\*](#)

Chinese auto battery manufacturers Hailiang and Shinzoom will set up two separate plants in Morocco, as the country seeks to adapt its growing automotive sector to increasing demand for electric vehicles, Moroccan officials said on Tuesday. Authorities in charge of developing the Moroccan northern industrial zone, Tanger Tech, said Hailiang plans to build a copper plant worth \$450 million on an area of 30 hectares. Shinzoom, part of Hunan Zhongke, will invest \$460 million in an anodes plant spanning over 20 hectares, they said in a statement. In April, the Moroccan government gave the green light for Chinese electric battery maker BTR New Material Group to build a factory near Tangier to produce key component cathodes. English Aawsat.

### [\*\*The illicit trade with China fuelling Mozambique's insurgency\*\*](#)

Timber smuggling, estimated to be worth \$23m (£18m) a year, from Mozambique's ancient forests to China is helping to fund a brutal Islamist insurgency as well as a large criminal network in the north of the southern African country. This illicit trade in rosewood is linked to the financing of Mozambique's violent militants with links to Islamic State in the northernmost province of Cabo Delgado, according to data seen by the BBC from the

Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA), an NGO that campaigns against alleged environmental crime. Rosewood is a catch-all trade term for a wide range of tropical hardwoods that are highly prized for luxury furniture in China. BBC.

### [Border dispute hinders Niger's China-built oil pipeline](#)

Landlocked country on verge of becoming a regional oil major if it can resolve its differences with neighbouring Benin. Hello from London and welcome back to Energy Source. Today my colleague Aanu Adeoye writes about a new 2,000km pipeline project between landlocked Niger and its southern coastal neighbour Benin. Pipelines, along with other energy infrastructure, are a potentially huge area for growth, especially in sub-Saharan Africa, which has only 13,000km or so of operational pipelines for oil and gas products, compared with more than 100,000km in the US, according to a new report from the fuel retailer Puma Energy. Financial Times.

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