



### [Joint green efforts by Africa, China key to growth](#)

Africa's vast potential for renewable energy, combined with China's technological expertise and investment capacity, presents a unique opportunity for mutual economic growth, experts say. This collaboration can drive sustainable development, alleviate energy poverty and stimulate economic activities across the African continent, they said. Speaking during the African Development Bank Group's annual meeting in Kenya's capital Nairobi, which concluded on Friday, Kevin Kariuki, the bank's vice-president for power, energy, climate and green growth, said the continent needs to tap into renewable energy for industrial growth. "I believe that by investing in Africa's renewable energy infrastructure, China can help build large-scale solar farms, wind farms and hydroelectric plants. These investments can provide reliable and affordable energy, which is crucial for economic growth." China Daily.

### [Rwanda, China Relation to Yield More At Africa – China Summit- Liu Yuxi](#)

The Special Representative of the Chinese Government on African Affairs, Liu Yuxi has invited Rwanda to participate and take advantage of the upcoming Forum on China–Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) which is due this year. The FOCAC 2024 marks the ninth forum gathering which will be held in Beijing from 3 to 8 September where Chinese and African leaders will discuss future development and cooperation and carry forward traditional friendship, deepen solidarity but also open up new space for accelerating the common development of China and Africa. Yuxi, today met with Rwanda's Prime Minister Dr. Édouard Ngirente to discuss bilateral and multilateral cooperation between the two countries and extended the FOCAC invitation to Rwanda. "We look forward to bringing the Africa- China cooperation into a new high level. Rwandan people are very good friends with Chinese people and we feel very privileged to pass on the invitation over this upcoming summit," Yuxi said. KT Press.

### [China hands over the keys to the railway as African countries take control of 2 major belt and road projects](#)

The Addis Ababa-Djibouti Railway and the Mombasa-Nairobi Standard Gauge Railway have both had recent handovers from Chinese operators. Observers say training workers is part of China's localisation strategy, but it does not include key knowledge that would jeopardise future projects. China is handing over control of two key African belt and road railways to the governments of Ethiopia, Djibouti and Kenya, after years of training and observation in the operation of the infrastructure projects. Recently, Chinese operators for the 752km (467 mile) railway linking Ethiopia and Djibouti handed it over to the Ethiopia-Djibouti Railway Share Company (EDR) after six years of operation. South China Morning Post.

### [Sino-Africa economic relations will be shaped by China's slowdown, Western policies — experts](#)

While many in China and Africa hope that economic cooperation between both sides will continue to expand under a series of initiatives, including the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), a new report by Carnegie Endowment for

International Peace warns that Sino-Africa economic relations will be increasingly impacted by China's slowing economy. At a recent Africa Day Gala Night venue in Beijing held by China's Foreign Ministry and the African diplomatic corps, some African envoys rejected accusations such as the "debt trap" as mere attempts to undermine Sino-Africa ties, expressing hope that economic cooperation between both sides will continue to expand. "Since 2000, trade between China and Africa has grown from \$10 billion to over \$282 billion, which is quite remarkable, and it can be more," Ibrahima Sory Sylla, Senegalese Ambassador to China, told the Global Times at the event. Meanwhile, the recent three-day China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo held in Kenya's capital Nairobi, ended with the participants renewing a call for increased Sino-Africa business relationship. The North Africa Post.

### **Libya invited to China-Africa Forum, Menfi seeks continued support**

On Sunday, Presidential Council Head Mohamed Menfi received a formal correspondence from Chinese President Xi Jinping, delivered personally by his special envoy Liu Jian at the Council's HQ in Tripoli. The missive included an invitation for the upcoming China-Africa Forum, which will take place in China this September and highlighted several critical topics of mutual interest. Key among these was China's stance on the Gaza genocide, its call for a comprehensive international peace conference in the Middle East, and its unwavering support for the Palestinian cause, advocating for an independent Palestinian state and its recognition as a full member of the United Nations, according to the PC media office. In their meeting, envoy Jian provided Menfi with a detailed summary of the recently concluded Arab-China Forum. Menfi underscored the deep historical relationship between Libya and China, as he renewed the call for the return of Chinese companies to Libya to resume halted projects and actively participate in reconstruction efforts. The Libya Observer.

### **Absa aims to use new Beijing office to strengthen China-Africa business ties**

Absa Group, one of Africa's largest diversified financial services companies, aims to build stronger ties with Chinese firms as part of its global expansion strategy, amid growing investment and trade between China and Africa. The Johannesburg, South Africa-based bank will focus on strengthening relations with state-owned entities, private companies, banks and development finance organisations via its subsidiary, which officially launched in Beijing in early May, according to Klaus-Dieter Kaempfer, CEO of Absa China. "Absa's strategy in China is to use our office to connect better with the head offices of Chinese corporates who do business in Africa," he said. Do you have questions about the biggest topics and trends from around the world? Get the answers with SCMP Knowledge, our new platform of curated content with explainers, FAQs, analyses and infographics brought to you by our award-winning team. Yahoo Finance.

### **Dar, Beijing agreed to foster vocational skills in Tanzania**

The agreement was signed yesterday in Dar es Salaam by the representatives of the colleges in the presence of the Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, Prof. James Mdoe. They signed the agreement at a conference named China-Africa Collaboration Academic Exchange Seminar and Occupation Standards Promotion organized by the National Council for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (NACTVET). Speaking shortly after signing of the agreement, Prof. Mdoe said the agreement between China vocational colleges and Tanzania is a continuation of cooperation in vocational education. He said that

through the collaboration they have been holding various conferences that bring together Chinese and Tanzanian technical colleges and that this is the fourth conference to be held. IPP.

### [China Sends Sh370 Million Aid To Kenya For Flood Recovery Efforts](#)

China has sent aid worth 370 million Kenyan shillings (\$2.8 million) to assist with restoration efforts following recent devastating floods in Kenya. Minister Counselor at the Chinese embassy in Kenya, Zhang Zhizhong, announced on Friday that two ships carrying 2,040 metric tons of aid are en route to Kenya's port city of Mombasa and are expected to dock in early June. At least 300 people were killed between March and May 2024 during the El Nino rains that caused floods in various parts of the country where homes were washed away and roads cut off. "China reaffirms its unwavering solidarity and commitment to working closely with Kenya, striving to build an even closer China-Kenya community with a shared future in the new era," he said. Speaking at an event where the Chinese embassy handed over more than \$38,000 to MCEDO Beijing School in the Mathare slums of Nairobi, Zhang highlighted the embassy's commitment to aiding reconstruction efforts after the nearby Mathare River broke its banks in April. Capital FM.

### [Chinese ceramic manufacturer aiding Kenya's affordable housing](#)

On a sunny afternoon, workers at KEDA (Kenya) Ceramics Company Limited, located about 70 kilometers south of the Kenyan capital of Nairobi, were busy packing floor tiles in multicolored cartons for onward shipment to clients' premises. Founded in 1992, KEDA Industrial Group, a China-based company principally engaged in the manufacture and sales of building material machinery, established the KEDA ceramics factory in Kenya's southern county of Kajiado, in a joint venture with China's Guangzhou Sunda in 2016. Li Ruiqin, managing director of KEDA (Kenya) Ceramics Company Limited, said their investment in the production of high-quality floor tiles has served as a model for revitalizing the local manufacturing sector to spur economic growth and job creation. According to Li, establishing a ceramic tile factory in rural outposts has unleashed benefits to the local economy, citing hotel and transportation businesses that have bloomed since the factory's establishment. Xinhua.

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