



[China emerges as crucial partner in Africa's green energy transition](#)

With the increasing availability of affordable Chinese clean and renewable energy products and technologies in Africa, a bright future driven by a green transition is in sight. As night falls, many remote African villages are enveloped in absolute darkness, relying solely on candles and kerosene lamps for light. Even in African metropolises with electrical grids, frequent power outages disrupt daily life. Despite the continent's immense renewable energy potential, around 600 million people in Africa still live without electricity. Nevertheless, with the increasing availability of affordable Chinese clean and renewable energy products and technologies in Africa, a bright future driven by a green transition is in sight. Africa boasts rich renewable energy resources like solar and wind power. The Sahara Desert's vast sunlight makes it ideal for developing the photovoltaic industry, while Africa's extensive coastline provides perfect conditions for offshore wind energy development. Xinhua.

[Meloni Warns NATO of Threats from Russia and China in Africa](#)

Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni warned fellow NATO leaders not to lose sight of potential threats off the alliance's southern flank, as most attention is being focused to the east. In a Wednesday meeting in Washington, the Italian premier produced a map that showed Russian and Chinese influence in Africa, according to people familiar with the matter. Meloni drew attention to the fact that Russia and China are increasingly present in Africa — which is on the European Union's southern doorstep — and she said that the North Atlantic Treaty Organization can't afford to remain indifferent to the challenges and opportunities on the continent, one of the people said. A spokesperson from the Italian government didn't immediately reply to requests for comment. The US State Department has accused Moscow and Beijing before of running disinformation campaigns in Africa aimed at undermining the west in the so-called global south. Other concerns, include Russia weaponizing migration flows, which have fueled anti-immigration sentiment in Europe, and driving political instability in the Sahel region. Mint.

[Chinese FM meets Gabonese, Malagasy counterparts, former UN Secretary-General](#)

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi on Friday met with Gabonese Minister of Foreign Affairs Regis Onanga Ndiaye, Malagasy Minister of Foreign Affairs Rafaravavita fika Rasata, and former secretary-general of the United Nations Ban Ki-moon, respectively, who are attending the opening ceremony of the Second High-Level Conference of the Forum on Global Action for Shared Development in Beijing. During the meeting with Regis Onanga Ndiaye, Wang, who is also a member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, said that the Global Development Initiative responds to the urgent desire of developing countries for accelerated development, adding that China appreciates Gabon's participation in the Group of Friends of the Global Development Initiative. China is willing to work together with African countries to gather strength in order to accelerate the implementation of the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and promote the development and revitalization of the African continent, Wang added. Xinhua.

[China-Guinea-Bissau partnership yields tangible benefits, empowers local fisheries](#)

In Bissau, the capital of Guinea-Bissau, early mornings are marked by the return of fishing boats laden with catches to the Alto Bandim Fishing Port. "Thanks to this fishing port built by China, our work at sea has become easier, and we earn more than before," a fisherman told Xinhua. Beyond the fishery sector, China-Guinea-Bissau cooperation under the framework of the Belt and Road Initiative has extended to infrastructure, healthcare, agriculture and other fields, yielding tangible benefits and largely contributing to the Western African country's development. The friendship between both countries reached a new milestone on Wednesday when Chinese President Xi Jinping and Guinea-Bissau President Umaro Sissoco Embalo decided to elevate bilateral relations to a strategic partnership during their meeting in Beijing. Situated on the west coast of Africa, Guinea-Bissau has rich fishery resources. The completion of the China-supported Alto Bandim Fishing Port project in May 2023 has greatly enhanced the utilization of local resources, remarkably boosting development. Xinhua.

[How risky is Guinea-Bissau's China dependence?](#)

Guinea-Bissau's overreliance on China is immense. Hardly any investment occurs without Chinese planning or financing. Some observers consider this problematic. "The influence of China on Guinea-Bissau is undeniable, especially in economic terms," Bissau-Guinean sociologist and China expert, Diamantino Lopes, said in an interview with DW. Since the country's independence from Portugal five decades ago, almost all infrastructure measures have been carried out and financed by the Chinese, the analyst added. "The government palace, the justice building, the parliament, the renovation of the Palace of the Republic, the 13-kilometer (8-mile) highway between the airport and Safim, the national stadium in Bissau, or the new fishing port in Bandim — the Chinese control almost everything here," Lopes explained. This week, Guinea-Bissau's President Umaro Sissoco Embalo is in China with a high-ranking delegation. During the three-day visit, cooperation between the two countries is expected to be "further developed and intensified." DW.

[Sino-Guinea-Bissau Friendship Hospital: A beacon of cooperation and friendship](#)

In May, Guinea-Bissau welcomed its 20th Chinese medical team and team leader Pang Yong told Xinhua that their mission is to improve local medical conditions, care for patients and safeguard the health of the people of Guinea-Bissau. Bissau's Main Military Hospital, one of the capital city's most important healthcare facilities, is known as the Sino-Guinea-Bissau Friendship Hospital. The emblem of the hospital proudly displays the word "Friendship." In May 2023, Guinea-Bissau awarded the "National Medal of Honor for Cooperation and Development" to China's 19th medical team in the country, recognizing their impactful service. At the Friendship Hospital where they worked, the Chinese doctors often hear words expressing gratitude to them. "The trust and admiration for Chinese doctors are palpable here, and we've learned greatly from them," said Bioussum, a doctor at the hospital. Xinhua.

[China development forum: Egypt urges agenda ensuring fair access to financial resources](#)

Prime Minister Mostafa Madbouly emphasized the significance of advancing efforts to establish an action agenda that guarantees equal access to financial resources and technological solutions. Madbouly delivered these remarks in a recorded speech at the opening of the Second High-Level Conference of the Forum on Global Action for Shared Development, held in Beijing, China, from 11 to 13 July. With the theme "Accelerating Sustainable Development: Continuing Actions for A Better Future," the forum delves into strategies and initiatives to foster

sustainable development. The forum unites distinguished delegates from countries and international organizations as well as a diverse range of stakeholders from private sectors, academic institutions, and foundations. Egypt Today.

[Egypt praises China-proposed Global Development Initiative](#)

Egyptian Prime Minister Mostafa Madbouly hailed the China-proposed Global Development Initiative as a practical response to help accelerate the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals on Friday. He made a video speech when addressing the opening ceremony of the Second High-level Conference of the Forum on Global Action for Shared Development which was held in Beijing. The successive crises and changes in the world have posed unprecedented challenges to development paths, increased the cost of achieving the SDGs, and widened the financing gap for developing and emerging countries, he said. Noting the importance of economic cooperation between Global South countries and emerging economies is self-evident, he said it is more urgent than ever for countries to make concerted efforts. He lauded the GDI as a practical response to the efforts to address these challenges, adding that it is also conducive to mobilizing all forces and injecting more impetus into the realization of the SDGs. China daily.

[Kenya, China collaborate to strengthen fashion and lifestyle industries](#)

To create an avenue to connect local fashion and lifestyle entrepreneurs to global standards, the Afripeak Expo in Kenya organised a four-day expo at Sarit Centre from July 10 to 13,2024. Afripeak Expo Managing Director Gao Wei said the event brought together a diverse range of products and suppliers under one roof. Kenya and China are seeking to develop their relations further through the fashion and lifestyle industry. In a rapidly globalising world, the fashion and lifestyle industry serves as a bridge for cultural exchange, economic growth, and innovative collaborations. The partnership between China and Kenya in this sector exemplifies the potential for mutual growth, enriching both nations through shared expertise, market expansion, and cultural synergy. To create an avenue to connect local fashion and lifestyle entrepreneurs to global standards, the Afripeak Expo in Kenya organised a four-day expo at Sarit Centre from July 10 to 13,2024. The Star.

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