



[Africa poised to leverage China's vast consumer market potential](#)

In a major effort aimed at deepening economic ties with Africa, China announced recently that it will grant duty-free access to 100 percent of products originating from 33 African countries. The sweeping elimination of tariffs is expected to significantly lower the cost barriers for African goods entering the Chinese market and enhance their overall price competitiveness, thus allowing African exporters to more effectively leverage the vast opportunities of the Chinese consumer market, experts said. This expansion of preferential trade policies builds on previous commitments made by China. In 2009, the nation said it would provide 95 percent tariff-free access for products from the least developed African countries that have formal diplomatic ties with China, in a well-paced manner. In 2010, China started to apply zero tariffs on 60 percent of all goods from these African nations. China Daily.

[Trade frameworks linking China, Africa set to broaden](#)

In the face of a turbulent global landscape, characterized by escalating geopolitical tensions and rising protectionism, China and Africa should lean toward embracing globalization and win-win cooperation more than ever before, to benefit their own populations and catalyze the modernization of the broader Global South, experts said. As an industrialized nation partnering with less industrialized counterparts, the deepening cooperation between China and Africa has emerged as a model example for other developing regions seeking to emancipate themselves from the constraints of the traditional North-South divide, they added. Their comments came after the overall characterization of China-Africa relations was elevated to an all-weather China-Africa community with a shared future for the new era during the Summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation in Beijing in early September. Ecns.cn.

[Chinese naval hospital ship makes maiden visit to Benin](#)

The Chinese naval hospital ship Peace Ark, which is on its Mission Harmony-2024, arrived at the port of Cotonou, the Republic of Benin, for a seven-day friendly visit. This is Peace Ark's first visit to Benin, and also the first time a Chinese naval ship has paid a visit to the country since the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries. Medical teams on the vessel will provide service for local residents during their stay. CGTN.

[Namibia Tourism Board targets U.S, China markets with strategic roadshows](#)

Once again, the Namibia Tourism Board (NTB), is furthering its marketing campaign across top global source markets with events in the United States of America and China. In the U.S, the NTB hosted the “Networking with Namibia” event in Miami, which is designed as a high-impact platform, bringing together U.S. travel buyers, media, and public relations professionals to connect with Namibia’s key stakeholders and trade partners. The immersive experience is aimed at highlighting Namibia’s rich biodiversity, adventure offerings, and cultural

experiences, while also strengthening relationships within the travel industry. Featuring seven Namibian trade partners, including six SMEs, the event further aims to position Namibia as a premier travel destination for the American market. [Businessday NG](#).

[The light of China-Nigeria cooperation shines on the land of West Africa](#)

In recent years, under the guidance of the framework mechanisms such as the high-quality joint construction of the “Belt and Road” and the China-Africa Cooperation Forum, China and Nigeria have been steadily advancing on the road of cooperation like partners walking side by side, with political mutual trust deepening and increasingly frequent cooperation exchanges. A magnificent picture of development is slowly unfolding on the vast and hopeful land of West Africa. As the largest economy in Africa, Nigeria’s economic growth has achieved remarkable achievements. Lagos, located on the Gulf of Guinea in West Africa, is regarded as the “economic capital” of Nigeria and the financial center of West Africa, but problems such as concentrated urban population and weak cargo throughput capacity of port terminals have plagued the city’s further development. [Vanguard Media](#).

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