



### **Trump's Tariffs Aren't Just About China—Africa And Kenya Will Feel The Impact Too**

When Donald Trump introduced tariffs during his second presidency, many assumed they were primarily aimed at China, Canada, and Mexico. However, with his return to the White House, his trade policies are once again sending ripples across the global economy, and Africa—Kenya included—will not be spared. These tariffs are not just an economic maneuver; they are a seismic shift in global trade that could make life more expensive for Kenyans, disrupt key revenue sources, and force the country to rethink its economic strategy. Capital News.

### **How China helps Africa redefine its place on the world stage**

In the context of Immanuel Wallerstein's world-systems theory — which claims that rich core capitalist societies succeed by exploiting poorer peripheral ones — Africa has long occupied the periphery of the global economic system. For centuries, the continent was consigned to a position of dependency, serving as a source of raw materials for industrialized nations while importing finished goods at inflated prices. This economic structure reinforced cycles of poverty, underdevelopment and reliance on foreign aid. China Daily.

### **China-Africa Business Ties a Key Focus at Invest in African Energies Shanghai Forum**

China has reaffirmed its commitment to supporting Africa's drive for enhanced energy access and industrialization, according to speakers at the Invest in African Energies Shanghai Forum. Leveraging China's expertise in technology-driven oil, gas and energy development, African firms can tap into a valuable partnership and greater investment by Chinese firms would further efforts to make energy poverty history in Africa. With over 600 million people living without access to electricity and 900 million people without access to clean cooking solutions, Africa is seeking to leverage global partnerships to fast-track energy production and development. Zawya.

### **China-Ethiopia Ties: Ethiopian Embassy celebrates 55 years of diplomatic relations with China**

The Ethiopian Embassy in Beijing has hosted a celebration to mark 55 years of diplomatic relations between Ethiopia and China. African ambassadors attending the event shared their views on China-Africa relations. TEFERA DERBEW YIMAN, Ethiopian Ambassador to China "Our bilateral relationship is deep rooted and based on mutual trust, respect, and equality. Over the past 55 years, the two countries have enjoyed a strong partnership. Today, we celebrate this foundation and look forward to even greater engagement and collaboration in the future." CGTN.

### **Chinese Firm Wins Tanzania-Burundi Railway Deal**

A Chinese consortium, led by China Railway Group, won the Tanzania-Burundi railway contract. They signed a \$2.2 billion deal to boost regional connectivity swiftly. The China Railway Engineering Design and

Consulting Group, with partners, secured the agreement. They collaborate with Tanzania Railways Corporation to construct a standard gauge railway. This railway forms a vital transport corridor connecting Dar es Salaam Port to Musongati. The nickel mining area in Burundi benefits directly from this ambitious project. Railway Supply.

### **Brics ‘not anti-Western’ but must unite against ‘external shocks’: Chinese think tank**

The Brics group should raise its strategic profile on the world stage, working together to tackle “external shocks” including Western sanctions against founding member Russia, according to a government-affiliated Chinese think tank. In a report published on Wednesday, the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (SIIS) argued that the emerging economies group was not aligned against the West. Rather, it was a non-Western platform that sought a “just and reasonable post-Western order” while championing the needs of the developing world, it said. South China Morning Post.