



### **Magufuli Bridge opens to traffic in Tanzania, amid accelerated China-Africa trade and economic cooperation**

The Magufuli Bridge — a 4.66-kilometer-long dual carriageway spanning southern Lake Victoria was officially completed and opened to traffic on Thursday, according to China Civil Engineering Construction Corporation (CCECC) and China Railway 15th Bureau. Global Times.

### **China, Africa working together toward dream of modernization**

On June 11, Chinese President Xi Jinping sent a congratulatory letter to the Ministerial Meeting of Coordinators on the Implementation of the Follow-up Actions of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC), announcing a series of important new measures to expand China's cooperation and openness toward Africa. Alwihda.

### **South Africa Should be Wary of China's Zero-Tariff Offer, Warns Top Agricultural Expert**

South African farmers are among those who stand to benefit the most from China's new proposal to remove tariffs on exports from 53 African countries. China sources just 0.4% of its agriculture from South Africa, a figure that is widely expected to rise significantly as Chinese buyers seek to end their reliance on U.S. soybeans, corn, meat, and other foodstuffs that SA produces in abundance. China Global South Project.

### **Xue Bing: Let facts, not fear, shape Africa's development narrative**

China's Special Envoy for the Horn of Africa, Ambassador Xue Bing, has dismissed persistent "debt trap" accusations aimed at China-funded projects in Africa as a deliberate smear campaign. He encouraged African think tanks and scholars to speak out and "tell the real story" of Sino-Africa cooperation and development. KBC Digital.

### **World Insights: How China-Africa industrial chain drives continental growth**

A business manager of Hunan Modern Agriculture International Development Co. Ltd. checks the growth condition of chili peppers with a local staff member at the Gashora Farm in Nyagatare district, Rwanda, May 22, 2025. (Xinhua/Ji Li) NAIROBI, June 16 (Xinhua) -- China-Africa trade reached a record 295.56 billion U.S. dollars in 2024, up 4.8 percent year-over-year, marking the 16th consecutive year China has remained Africa's largest trading partner. Secretariat of the Chinese Follow-up Committee of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation.

### **Zimbabwe Foreign Minister : Xi shaping a new reality across Africa**

Amon Murwira, minister of foreign affairs and international trade of Zimbabwe, has highly praised China's significant role in Africa's transformation as China-Africa cooperative relationship grows deeper. "The relationship being forged and championed by President Xi Jinping and his counterparts in Africa can not only bring a new reality of modernization but also change the narrative of how to relate to

Africa," he said, highlighting its exemplary significance for the world. China Daily.

### **China-Africa Ties: China reaffirms support for Africa's debt relief, blames U.S. policies for crisis**

China says it has been making efforts to help African countries ease debt burdens. Du Xiaohui, Director-General of the Chinese Foreign Ministry's Department of African Affairs, says the root of Africa's debt issue lies in development challenges. DU XIAOHUI Director-General, Department of African Affairs Chinese Foreign Ministry "China is the largest developing country. We know deeply from the process of China's reform and opening-up that the essence of the debt problem is a development problem. CGTN.

### **China expands yuan payment system to Africa and Asia, challenging dollar dominance**

In a strategic move to reduce global reliance on the U.S. dollar, China has welcomed six new financial institutions from Africa, the Gulf, and Central Asia into its Cross-border Interbank Payment System (CIPS). The expansion, announced during a ceremony in Shanghai, brings direct participation in the yuan-based payment network to 174 institutions, as China steps up efforts to internationalize its currency. North Africa Post.

### **China-Africa Relations: A New Chapter of Solidarity, Development, and Shared Future**

In a world grappling with geopolitical rivalry, rising protectionism, and development disparities, the relationship between China and Africa stands as a shining example of solidarity, mutual respect, and win-win cooperation. The recent announcement by China to expand zero-tariff treatment on 100% of tariff lines for all 53 African countries with diplomatic ties marks not only a bold economic gesture but also a resounding political message: Africa matters. Modern Diplomacy.

### **China's Africa Security Strategy: Training, Arms, and Political Influence**

Over the past 25 years, China's military engagement with Africa has grown dramatically. In 2000, fewer than 5% of African weapons came from China. Today, Chinese-made armored vehicles are used by 70% of African militaries, and China has become the continent's largest arms supplier. Officer training programs have followed a similar trajectory. At the turn of the century, fewer than 200 African officers were trained in China; today, that number exceeds 2,000. China Global South Project.

### **Only development will resolve Africa's debt problem: Chinese official**

"The essence of the global debt problem is of a development issue. Africa's development requires investment and finance cooperation, which inevitably creates debt. Debt should not to be feared, while it is part of development. And, the only solution is to address the debt problem through development approaches," Du Xiaohui, Director-General of the Department of African Affairs of China's Foreign Ministry, said on Wednesday. Global Post.

### **Bridging Africa and China through style**

From dazzling showrooms at Shanghai Fashion Week to a bold new showcase at the China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo in Changsha, Kenyan entrepreneur and former diplomat Hannah Ryder is redefining what it means to wear culture with pride. In this interview, Ryder shares how she and her team select designers who embody both tradition and innovation. CGTN.

### **Director Darrell Roodt on the future of China-Africa film partnerships**

Best known for his Oscar-nominated foreign language film "Yesterday," South African director Darrell Roodt joined the 2025 China-Africa Film Week to share his vision for cinematic collaboration across continents. What's more? Click on this interview to find out his favorite Chinese film! CGTN.

### **China, Africa relations: Building sustainable Global South partnerships**

Over the past 25 years, China-Africa development cooperation has reached significant milestones. China and Africa have established a robust connection through the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation, one of the most successful South-South partnership platforms, built on their commitments and shared experiences. Both Africa and China share a common history as victims of brutal colonialism and in their struggles for independence. Independent Online.

### **Zoom Africa: China's zero-tariff policy boosts African exports, value chains**

In March, a shipment of over 800 African ornamental fish arrived in China through the Changsha Huanghua International Airport in central China's Hunan Province. Transported by cargo flight from Addis Ababa, capital of Ethiopia, the fish were transferred to a designated quarantine facility, where they underwent an isolation period and a series of health inspections before entering the Chinese market. Xinhua.

### **Chinese EVs help drive Africa's green transition**

From Kenya to South Africa, Chinese electric vehicle manufacturers are ramping up investment in Africa, a move that experts said will accelerate the continent's shift toward clean mobility and sustainable development. Chinese EV giant BYD recently announced plans to nearly triple its dealership network in South Africa by next year, as it seeks to expand its market share in the country, according to Steve Chang, general manager of BYD South Africa. China Daily.

### **South African designer David Tlale on China's rapid transformation**

At the China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo in Changsha, iconic South African designer David Tlale shared his interest in China's rapid transformation and the game-changing potential of the zero-tariff policy for African creatives. Returning to China after more than a decade, he was stunned by the country's technological advances and fashion-forward energy. CGTN.

### **China closes gap with U.S. as African countries, others join yuan payment system**

According to a South China morning post; The six financial entities, including the African Export-Import Bank, First Abu Dhabi Bank, South Africa's Standard Bank, Singapore's United Overseas Bank, Eldik Bank of Kyrgyzstan, and Chongwa (Macau) Financial Asset Exchange, officially joined the Cross-border Interbank Payment System (CIPS) as direct participants at a ceremony held in Shanghai last week. Business Insider Africa.

### **Kenyan official: Zero-tariff treatment 'lifeline' for Africa**

Kenya's Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Musalia Mudavadi has welcomed President Xi Jinping's announcement to implement zero-tariff treatment for 100 percent of tariff lines for the 53 African countries that have diplomatic relations with China. He said the statement was extremely significant, offering a critical lifeline to economies across the African continent.

Moreover, it carries profound significance for South-South cooperation as a whole and has far-reaching implications for supporting and strengthening global free trade. China Daily.

#### **Research centre to counter fake news on China-Africa relations**

It said that the report would further boost cooperation and mutual understanding between Chinese and African media practitioners, while at the same time taming the monster of fake news and misinformation about China-Africa relations. This is contained in a statement signed by the Executive Director of the Centre, Dr. Austin Maho, and made available to the press on Sunday. Daily Trust.

#### **China key partner in Africa's green transition**

China has become a pivotal partner in the development of Africa's energy and power sectors, and is actively promoting a green and low-carbon transition across the continent, according to industry data and officials. Energy and electricity have emerged as key areas of practical cooperation between China and Africa, yielding significant achievements that propel the continent's transition toward a greener, low-carbon future, said Yang Kun, executive vice-chairman of the China Electricity Council. Chia Daily.

#### **African designers set eyes on stores in China**

From the shopping centers of Johannesburg, South Africa to the expo halls of Changsha, central China's Hunan Province, designers are making inroads into the Chinese market and working towards setting up stores in the country. "I think African businesses need to be in China, the way Chinese businesses are in Africa. It's time to exchange both ways. And I think that the market is ready," said Thula Sindi, a South African designer who showcased garments at the recent China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo (CAETE) in Changsha, Hunan Province. CGTN.

#### **China breaks into Malawi's mining sector with \$7 billion investment package**

The deal, signed on June 16, 2025, during the China-Africa Economic and Trade Expo (CAETE) in Changsha, China, includes a large-scale titanium extraction project in Salima and the creation of a state-of-the-art mineral processing facility in the country. Following the signing, the country's Minister of Mining, Dr. Ken Zikhale Ng'oma, hailed the deal as a strategic breakthrough, emphasizing its alignment with President Dr. Lazarus McCarthy Chakwera's long-term vision of transforming mining into a key driver of the national economy. Business Insider Africa.

#### **The growing risks for Chinese companies in conflict-ridden African nations**

For over two decades, Chinese companies have been known to demonstrate a notable risk tolerance, often venturing into overseas markets that Western counterparts avoided. This is evident in the conflict-ridden yet mineral-rich Democratic Republic of Congo, where Chinese mining enterprises had in the past decade made vast investments as foreign-owned companies exited, positioning the country as the world's largest producer of cobalt and second-largest producer of copper. South China Morning Post.

#### **Africa's debt burden: China urges development-driven solutions**

Du Xiaohui, Director-General, Department of African Affairs, Chinese Foreign Ministry. Sustainable development is key to overcoming Africa's debt burden, Du Xiaohui, Director-General, Department of African Affairs, Chinese Foreign Ministry, said on Wednesday. He spoke during a meeting with foreign journalists in Beijing. Du said that development required financing which would, in turn, generate debt.

According to him, debt is not terrible but a part of development. Business Day Nigeria.

### **China, Nigeria, others pledge cooperation on climate adaptation, energy transition**

A global seminar on climate change adaptation and energy transition for Belt and Road countries has concluded in China with a renewed call for deeper international collaboration, technology sharing, and cultural exchange to tackle the world's growing environmental challenges. The two-week programme, which drew 25 government officials and technical experts from seven countries — Nigeria, Chile, Cuba, Grenada, Indonesia, Tunisia, and Uzbekistan — was organized by the Hangzhou Regional Center (Asia-Pacific) for Small Hydro Power (HRC) and sponsored by the Ministry of Commerce of China. Vanguard News.

### **China, Egypt FM's discuss Middle East escalation in phone call**

China's Foreign Minister Wang Yi held a phone conversation on Wednesday with his Egyptian counterpart, Badr Abdelatty, to discuss mounting tensions in the Middle East. Wang, who is also a top Communist Party official, criticized Israel for what he called a blatant disregard for international law, saying it has dangerously escalated the regional crisis. He urged all parties, especially Israel, to immediately cease fire and work toward de-escalation. Africa News.

### **Over 100 Chinese students evacuated from Israel arrive at Egypt**

Over 100 Chinese students who were evacuated from Israel have now arrived at the Taba Land Port on the border between Egypt and Israel. #XinhuaNews

### **Beijing+30: Kenya, China mark three decades of gender equality milestone**

Kenya has reaffirmed its commitment to advancing gender equality and women's empowerment as it joins other nations in commemorating the 30th anniversary of the landmark Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. Speaking at the Beijing+30 Action Agenda convened in Beijing, Kenya's Deputy Ambassador to China, Lynette Mwendu Ndile, highlighted the country's position as a global leader in promoting women's rights and inclusive development, tracing its efforts back to hosting the 1985 UN Conference on Women in Nairobi, ten years prior to the pivotal Beijing Conference in 1995. KBC Digital.

### **China–Kenya culture and tourism season builds bridges beyond infrastructure**

While infrastructure and economic cooperation have long defined the China–Kenya partnership, this cultural season signals a strategic pivot. It places people, not just policies, at the heart of bilateral relations. It celebrates what connects two great civilisations—Kenya, the vibrant cultural mosaic of Africa, and China, a 5,000-year-old civilisation with deep philosophical roots. The event, held at Braeburn School and attended by senior government officials, diplomats, artists and students, marked the deepening of people-to-people ties as both nations celebrate 60 years of diplomatic engagement. China Daily.