

## Forging A Path To Shared Future Through Africa-China Cooperation

As responsible members of the global community, Africa and China have created a reliable path towards a shared future. It is indeed in Africa that the Chinese concept of "a global community of shared future" is gaining a broader and deeper meaning, and setting a clearer goal and blueprint for the peoples of the continent. To have a common future where there is prosperity and people-to-people connectivity, the Chinese footprint has begun to be seen across much of socio-economic lives, infrastructure and technological modernization of the peoples through the China-Africa community of shared future. Leadership.

# CMG's second China-Africa Children's Painting Contest is here

Under the theme 'China and Africa in My Eyes' young participants between the ages of 3 and 14 can submit their paintings, with a chance to have them published on CGTN Africa's accounts and other mainstream media in various African countries. The Authority.

#### China continues to lead debt relief efforts for African countries

CHINA has written down an undisclosed amount of Zimbabwe's interest-free loans in line with its commitment to assist African countries buckling under the weight of heavy external debt. Authorities in Zimbabwe and China have committed to clarifying the specifics of the loan write-off and the modalities of future debt restructuring. In 2022, China announced that it was forgiving 23 loans for 17 African countries desperately buckling under huge amounts of external debt. At the time of the announcement by President Xi Jinping, it was a much-cherished norm for Beijing's foreign policy to help African nations hit by Covid-19 and global economic difficulties in their recovery efforts to stabilise their economies, and improve living conditions. IOL.

Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong Attends South Africa's Freedom Day Reception

On April 26, 2024, Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong, upon invitation, attended and addressed the Freedom Day reception hosted by the Embassy of South Africa in China. Chen Xiaodong expressed congratulations on the 30th anniversary of the founding of South Africa and spoke highly of South Africa's development achievements and contribution to world prosperity and stability. He said that in recent years, under the strategic guidance of President Xi Jinping and President Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa, bilateral relations have achieved leapfrog development, starting a new era of building a high-level China-South Africa community with a shared future. In September this year, the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation will be held in Beijing. The Chinese side stands ready to work together with the South African side to jointly create a better future for China-South Africa and China-Africa relations. MFA PRC.

# China surpasses US as most influential global power in Africa: survey

The survey found that median approval ratings of the U.S. slipped from 59 percent in 2022 to 56 percent in 2023, while China rose from 52 percent to 58 percent in that same period, The Hill reported on Wednesday. The survey asked people in 36 African countries about four global superpowers: the U.S., China, Russia and Germany. The U.S. was the only power that didn't see its approval increase across Africa at least slightly in the latest poll. The highest approval rating of the U.S. in Africa was held in 2009, when 85 percent of Africans approved of the country's leadership. It dipped to its lowest point, 51 percent, in 2017. China's highest approval rating was at 72 percent in 2011 but has hovered around 50 percent in recent years until its six-percentage point jump last year. The largest increase in approval came from Ghana, Cote d'Ivoire and Senegal, the survey found. Gallup noted that China's improved rating may come from its increased investment on the continent. It's now Africa's biggest trading partner. Tehran Times.

# South Africa and China bolster growing bilateral ties across multiple sectors: South African Ambassador

Bilateral relations between China and South Africa are seeing significant advancements in various domains, according to Dr. Siyabonga Cwele, South Africa's Ambassador to China. In a statement to People's Daily Online, Dr. Cwele highlighted the dynamic cooperation under the frameworks of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) and BRICS, which he believes will enhance global opportunities, especially for developing nations. "Our country's thriving relationships are based on a solid foundation of political trust and economic cooperation. China has remained South Africa's largest trading partner since 2009, and South Africa has been China's largest African trading partner since 2010. Our bilateral trade grew from \$1 billion in 1998 to \$56 billion in just 25 years," said Siyabonga in Beijing during the South Africa National Day event. PDO.

## Africa makes strides in fighting Malaria

During the observation of World Malaria Day on Thursday, African health officials hailed the progress made so far in fighting the disease. In a statement released to mark the day, Matshidiso Moeti, WHO regional director for Africa said that the continent has reduced the malaria mortality

