

## Insights from Mjadala Afrika on China's role in Africa

The recently held Mjadala Afrika debate in Addis Ababa offered an inspiring glimpse into the future of African Union (AU) leadership. Candidates vying for the African Union Commission (AUC) Chairperson position outlined ambitious visions to address the continent's opportunities and challenges. Among the key themes discussed were Africa's growing relationship with China and the importance of adopting innovative benchmarking practices and cooperation strategies for sustainable progress. China's transformative role in Africa's development was a prominent focus during the debate. Capital Digital Media.

## The Dragon's Embrace: China's Guanxi Diplomacy in Africa

The stakes are often high in the intricate power play of international politics, and the paths to resolution are mired with political negotiations. An aspiring power like China has a primordial desire to build influence. Thus, in Chinese diplomacy, the art of influencing is a nuanced yet indispensable tool. Some international relations scholars also refer to this power of influence as "structural power." Without doubt, the power of influence is crucial in navigating any delicate situation. A country builds a strong image by fostering dialogue among all the concerned parties and paving the way for positive discussions. Observer Research Foundation.

## China-Egypt strategic dialogue

Foreign Minister Badr Abdelatty visited the Chinese capital Beijing earlier this week for talks with his Chinese counterpart Wang Yi on Friday that coincided with the end of the Egypt-China Year of Partnership. The two men reviewed Egyptian-Chinese bilateral ties and the progress achieved in various fields of cooperation including manufacturing, infrastructure, energy, science and technology, and aviation and space, as well as the contribution of Chinese companies to development projects in Egypt. Ahram Online.

#### Chinese enterprises in Kenya drive green growth, modernization: report

Kenya's quest for green development, modernization and skills upgrade has borne fruits, driven by the proactive involvement of Chinese firms operating in the country, according to a report launched Tuesday in the country's capital of Nairobi. In its fourth edition, the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) report compiled by the Kenya China Economic and Trade Association (KCETA) covering 2022-2023, said that these companies have rallied behind Kenya's long-term growth and transformation agenda. Global Times.

#### KCETA pledges greater commitment to Kenya's growth in latest CSR Report

The Kenya China Economic and Trade Association (KCETA) has released its fourth Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Report, underscoring the dedication of its 104 member companies to Kenya's economic and social progress. Marking the 60th anniversary of China-Kenya diplomatic ties and the 10th

anniversary of the Belt and Road Initiative in 2023, the partnership between the two nations continues to deepen. The upcoming Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) Summit in Beijing (September 2024) injects renewed vitality into this relationship. Chinese enterprises in Kenya are aligning their CSR efforts with Kenya's Big Four Agenda and Vision 2030 to foster a stronger, shared future. Citizen Digital.

# <u>China donates nearly 1,000 tonnes of emergency food to support vulnerable people in South Sudan</u>

China on Monday donated nearly 1,000 tonnes of emergency food assistance to South Sudan to support displaced persons due to floods, and Sudanese refugees and returnees who recently fled the ongoing conflict in neighboring Sudan. The Chinese government donated food aid in the form of rice and wheat, which will be distributed in the 10 states and three administrative areas, and some will go to orphanages in the South Sudanese capital of Juba. During a ceremony in Juba, Chinese Ambassador to South Sudan Ma Qiang said the East African country's economic development and improvement of people's livelihoods are facing serious challenges due to the impact of floods, disruption of oil production, and severe food insecurity. China.org.

## Ghana's Newly-elected President Wants to Quickly Resume Chinese-backed Infrastructure Development

Ghanaian President-elect John Dramani Mahama met with Chinese Ambassador Tong Defa on Friday and expressed hope that once the West African country emerged from the ongoing debt restructuring process that Beijing will resume infrastructure development support. "Once the transition is completed, Ghana will engage with China on technical cooperation and explore how we can continue to benefit from initiatives like the FOCAC disbursement and the Belt and Road Initiative," the President-elect said. China Global South Project.

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