



### **China-Africa tariff exemptions: Why is Nigeria excluded?**

Nigeria is urging China to remove trade tariff in extension to the gesture given to 33 other African countries, stating that the move will deepen economic cooperation and boost trade in areas critical to Nigeria's development goals. Meanwhile, Nigeria and China recently signed a 7.6-billion-euro green hydrogen energy deal – a gradual transition from fossil fuels to clean energy. Obiora Madu, the Director-General of the African Center for Supply Chain, joins CNBC Africa for this discussion. CNBC Africa.

### **G20's Impact on African Regional Energy Development: A Focus on China**

China's growing influence in Africa's oil and gas sector, particularly in exploration and production (E&P), continues to reshape the region's energy landscape. At the heart of this expansion is China's strategic interest in securing energy resources to fuel its growing economy while advancing its Belt and Road Initiative. As the global energy transition accelerates, China's engagement with Africa's oil and gas sector has evolved, reflecting both a long-term investment strategy and a deeper commitment to regional energy security. Zawya.

### **Emirates Plans 8 New Routes Including China, Europe and Africa**

Emirates (EK) is preparing to expand its global route network with 8 new destinations, including an ambitious push into China. The Dubai-based airline is reportedly set to introduce new services utilizing its Airbus A350 fleet while strengthening its presence in key international markets. Despite ongoing supply chain constraints and aircraft delivery delays, Emirates is pressing ahead with strategic growth. The airline is expected to launch new routes to China, Vietnam, Cambodia, Finland, and Africa, reinforcing its position as a leading global carrier. Aviation A2Z.

### **Can Europe dare to do the smart thing and partner with China in Africa?**

Europe's relationship with Africa encompasses significant grim history. Yet the continent is more central to how Europe's future will look than ever. Meanwhile, China's remarkably constructive relationship with Africa today presents a potential primary mode for substantially enhancing Africa's prospects. This geopolitical fact also represents a crucial opportunity for Europe to partner with China and confidently shape its own future. Provided, that is, Europe hasn't, influenced by the US, crushed its capacity to act in its own best interests. China Daily.

### **Distractions of Taiwan in Nigeria-China relations: Way forward**

The successful state visit to China and subsequent participation at the Summit of the Head of States and Governments of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) in September last year by President Bola Ahmed Tinubu took bilateral cooperation between Nigeria and China to historical new heights. The joint statement of the two sides which pledged to establish "a comprehensive strategic partnership and build a high-level China-Nigeria community with a shared future" outlined among several areas of

cooperation and collaboration, a mutual commitment “to support each other on issues related to their respective core interests and concerns, particularly sovereignty and territorial integrity”. Blueprint Newspapers Limited.

### [China, Ethiopia witness deepening cooperation across multiple sectors: officials](#)

China and Ethiopia have witnessed successful bilateral relations over the past decades, characterized by deepening cooperation in various fields, Chinese and Ethiopian officials said on Monday. The officials made the remarks during the Ethiopia-China Economic and Trade Forum held in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, ahead of the third China International Supply Chain Expo slated for July 16-20. Xinhua.

### [An Ethiopia-China economic and trade forum opens in Addis Ababa](#)

An Ethiopia-China Economic and Trade Forum opened this afternoon at the Skylight Hotel in Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian foreign ministry reported. The forum was jointly organised by the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Trade and Regional Integration in collaboration with the Ethiopian Investment Commission, Ethiopian Chamber of Commerce and Sectorial Association (ECCSA) and China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT). Fana Broadcasting Corporate.

### [Ethiopia, China Vow to Further Cement Trade Partnership](#)

Ethiopia's Minister of Trade and Regional Integration, Kassahun Gofe conferred with a delegation led by Chen Jian'an, Vice President of the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT). The meeting focused on enhancing the trade relationship between Ethiopia and China, according to the Minister of Trade and Regional Integration. China has been considered as the largest trading partner with Ethiopia and top source of foreign direct investment (FDI) in the East African nation, accounting for a significant number of FDI inflow into the country. Ethiopian News Agency.

### [Chinese investment drives Egypt's economic growth](#)

Chinese investment is crucial to Egypt's economic development, especially with Western investors shying away, observers said, as they anticipate more mutually beneficial investment and technology cooperation between both countries. Diaa Helmy, secretary-general of the Egyptian-Chinese Chamber of Commerce, highlighted the significance of recent cooperation agreements with China. "These deals not only signal a rise in Chinese investment, but also mark China's approval to share advanced technologies with Egypt. This aligns with the Egyptian leadership's push for industrial localization," he said. China Daily.

### [China calls for post-war governance in Gaza, holds talks with Egypt, Saudi](#)

As the first phase of the ceasefire in Gaza draws to a close, China has urged the rapid formulation of plans for post-war governance and rebuilding efforts in Gaza. China has reaffirmed its support for Palestinian self-rule and a two-state solution. The call came during a phone discussion between Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi and his Egyptian counterpart, Badr Abdelatty, on Saturday, according to a report by the South China Morning Post. Business Standard.

### [How China is filling void left by France, US with stronger military ties in Africa's Sahel](#)

China's first ever defence attaché to Niger, Colonel-Major Chen Xuming, was welcomed earlier this month at a reception held at the Chinese embassy in the capital Niamey.

In front of Chinese ambassador Jiang Feng, and top Nigerian military chiefs including Sani Kache, secretary general of the defence ministry, Chen said he was ready to work with the West African country to implement the Global Security Initiative – China’s framework for international cooperation on security issues – “to expand and deepen cooperation between the two militaries”. South China Morning Post.

### [China to Hand Over Full Control of Kenya Railway at the End of the Year](#)

The Kenya Railways Corporation (KRC) will take full operating control of the Standard Gauge Railway in December 2025, six months past the original deadline, from a Chinese state-owned firm that currently runs the line. It was always part of the plan for the Chinese to hand over operations of the 592km railway once KRC staff were fully trained to handle maintenance, security, and other services. China Global South Project.

### [Sudan’s RSF, allies sign ‘unity govt’ deal](#)

Sudan’s paramilitary Rapid Support Forces, or RSF, and its allies signed a charter on Sunday to establish a unity government in the conflict-hit country. The charter was sealed behind a closed-door event in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya, despite protests from Sudan’s Transitional Sovereign Council, led by Abdel Fattah al-Burhan that such a move could further destabilize the country. The move by the signatories, including prominent rebel leader Abdelaziz al-Hilu, paved the way for establishing the Sudan Founding Alliance, which aims to promote peace and unity in rebel-controlled areas of Sudan. China Daily.

### [Chinese peacekeeping infantry battalion to South Sudan \(Juba\) completes command post exercise](#)

Recently, the 11th Chinese Peacekeeping Infantry Battalion to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS), in collaboration with the UNMISS Sector Juba, carried out the operational wargaming and casualty evacuation drills focusing on the UN House security and defense, accommodation of displaced civilian, and armed escort missions. After the UNMISS Sector Juba issued a simulated alert to upgrade the security situation to yellow level, the Chinese Peacekeeping Infantry Battalion immediately activated its emergency plan and made detailed operational schemes such as force composition, operational routes, operational coordination and logistics support. China Military.