

Africa: as the West falters, China consolidates

"Lesotho, which nobody has ever heard of." This was Donald Trump, with his customary offensiveness, three weeks ago. Unusually, it was not a flagrant lie — at least as far as his followers (and most Americans) are concerned. The 35% of Africans living in extreme poverty, 43% without electricity, relying on only the most basic of health services, are becoming even more invisible. Even though "the poor you will always have with you" (Mark 14:7) is a constant rebuke to the West. The trousering by corrupt African leaders of national wealth, not to mention \$1 billion of funding earmarked for mitigating climate change, doesn't help. Of course, African leaders aren't unique in turning political power into personal enrichment. The Article.

Dialogue on China-Africa green cooperation held in Kenya

A dialogue on China-Africa green cooperation was held in Nairobi, the Kenyan capital, bringing together senior officials, diplomats, environmentalists and scholars. The China-Africa Ecological Civilisation Exchange forum was hosted by the Chongqing Land and Sea International Communication Foundation at the Confucius Institute of Kenya's oldest university, the University of Nairobi, on Wednesday. A photo exhibition titled "The City of Eagles," a reference to Chongqing in southwest China, was also featured on the sidelines of the forum. One highlight of the event was the launch of a nature observation programme that seeks to enhance cooperation between Chinese and African youth in advancing the green agenda. The Eastleigh Voice.

China and Republic of Congo strengthen ties at FOCAC meeting

Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi met with Foreign Minister of the Republic of Congo Jean-Claude Gakosso on Friday in Beijing, pledging to jointly promote the high-quality development of China-Africa cooperation. Wang, also a member of the Political Bureau of the Communist Party of China Central Committee, said the bilateral relationship between China and the Republic of Congo had become a model of China-Africa solidarity and cooperation. Noting that the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) is the most important platform for China and Africa to unite and help each other to achieve common development, Wang said China was ready to work with the Republic of Congo to implement the outcomes of the Beijing Summit of the FOCAC last year, especially the "Ten Partnership Actions." Africa News.

<u>Interview: China's EV advances drive new opportunities for Egypt's auto sector, industry leader</u> <u>says</u>

China's rapid advancements in electric vehicles (EVs) are creating fresh opportunities for Egypt's automotive industry through deeper cooperation, Khaled Geyushi, vice chairman of Egypt's Geyushi Automotive Industry, said. "China has become one of the world's most important manufacturers of engines, buses, and cars," Geyushi told Xinhua in a recent interview. Recounting a recent visit to China, he described the breadth of its EV offerings as "remarkable." "The designs are outstanding, the features impressive, and everything operates automatically," he said. Geyushi Automotive, one of Egypt's leading bus manufacturers, has partnered with Chinese firms since 2017. Xinhua.

China, Kenya hold meeting to promote trade relations

In a move to deepen economic and trade relations between China and Kenya, the east African country and Southwest China's Chongqing municipality on Thursday entered into agreements totaling more than \$380 million, covering various areas. During an economic and trade meeting held in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya, which saw more than 200 participants including senior officials and business leaders from the two countries, enterprises from Kenya and Chongqing signed eight cooperation agreements. China Daily.

Uganda Courts Chinese Investors with Rich Oil and Mineral Resources

Uganda's rich oil and mineral resources took center stage at the 1st Uganda–China Mining and Petroleum Investment Promotion Conference, as the East African nation sought to woo Chinese investors and strengthen bilateral ties. The conference, held in Shenyang, brought together top government officials, industry leaders, and investors from both countries. Uganda's Permanent Secretary of Energy and Mineral Development, Eng. Irene Pauline Bateebe, pitched the country's investment potential, highlighting its rich mineral and petroleum deposits. PML Daily.

Chinese Sailors Missing off Ghana in Suspected Pirate Attack

Three Chinese nationals are missing after their vessel came under a "suspected pirate attack" off the coast of Ghana, authorities said over the weekend. The apparent kidnapping is the latest in the Gulf of Guinea, an area off the Atlantic coast of Africa whose waters- rich in hydrocarbons and fisheries- stretch across a slew of jurisdictions, including those of countries with limited naval and coast guard capacities. China Global South Project.

China advances open world economy, welcomes foreign investment

The Chinese Government has assured the international business community of its resolve to welcoming foreign investment as the country pursues an open world economy. President Xi Jinping said foreign businesses played a critical role in the country's modernisation, economic productivity and investment drive, and the Asian giant was leveraging that in the interest of all stakeholders. Ghana Business News.

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