



[How China's Changing Economy is Impacting Africa?](#)

Back in the early 2000s, when Chinese engagement in Africa started to ramp up, China was enjoying double-digit growth and devoured vast quantities of African oil, minerals, and timber to feed its surging manufacturing sector. Fast-forward to the present, and China no longer relies on African resources as it once did. The Chinese economy has matured, and those heady growth days are long past. And now, with the BRI in place, China doesn't rely on Africa for resources anywhere near as much as it did 20 years ago. A new paper published by two of the world's leading scholars on China-Africa ties, Zainab Usman from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Professor Tang Xiaoyang from Tsinghua University in Beijing, details five key economic trends re-shaping the relationship between these two regions. Zainab joins CGSP Africa Editor Géraud Neema to discuss how this evolving economic relationship will impact African countries, in particular. China Global South Project.

[CHINA-TANZANIA RELATIONS: A MODEL FOR AFRICAN COOPERATION](#)

The enduring relationship between China and Tanzania has been highlighted by recent high-level meetings between Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi and Tanzania's Minister for Foreign Affairs, January Yusuf Makamba. The discussions centered on deepening political trust, expanding cooperation, and the upcoming Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) summit. This article will delve into the significance of China-Tanzania relations and their implications for African cooperation. Blockquote: "China-Tanzania relations have always been at the forefront of China-Africa relations over the past 60 years, setting a good example for developing countries to seek strength through solidarity and mutual assistance," remarked Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi. The meeting between Wang Yi and Makamba underscored the commitment to enhancing strategic alignment and practical cooperation between the two countries. Wang emphasized the importance of deepening political mutual trust and expanding cooperation in key areas such as trade, infrastructure, digital economy, and new energy. Africa 24.

[Chinese tech to light up homes in South Africa](#)

IN the vast, semiarid region near Postmasburg, in South Africa's Northern Cape Province, construction of one of the country's biggest renewable energy power plants is nearing completion. The Redstone Concentrated Solar Thermal Power Project is expected to begin trial operations soon, eventually generating enough energy to power 200,000 households in South Africa, and thereby greatly alleviating the country's acute power shortage. Energy has been a major area of cooperation between China and South Africa over the past years. During President Xi Jinping's visit to South Africa in August, in the presence of Xi and South African President Cyril Ramaphosa, the two countries signed a number of cooperation deals in Pretoria, including agreements on emergency power, investment in renewable energy and the upgrade of South Africa's power grids. IPP Media.

[Kenya optimistic to receive increase of Chinese tourists](#)

The number of Chinese tourists bounding for Kenya may triple over the next few years, following a surge in arrivals to the East African country last year, according to the tourism authority in Kenya. Kenya's tourism sector, a pillar industry, sees a huge opportunity in the Chinese market, and the country will intensify cooperation with industry players in China to tap the potential, June Chepkemei, the chief executive officer of the Kenya Tourism Board, said on Wednesday. Tourism arrivals from China last year exceeded 52,000, a 161 percent growth compared with 2022, she said. "China was the most improved tourism source market in 2023. Majority of the tourists come for leisure holidays followed by business and conferences," she said at a tourism promotion event in Kenya's capital Nairobi, which was held in collaboration with the Chinese city of Zhengzhou. China Daily.

[Chinese peacekeepers in South Sudan \(Wau\) pass 2nd quarter UN equipment inspection](#)

Recently, the 14th Chinese Peacekeeping Horizontal Engineering Company and Level-II Hospital to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS) passed the UN equipment inspection in the second quarter with high standards. A 15-member UN inspection team dispatched by UNMISS inspected the equipment of the engineering units in Wau, Aweil and Kuajok, and the equipment of the medical contingent. The inspection team carried out an all-element and all-round inspection and evaluation, focusing on hundreds of items including vehicle equipment, weapons and ammunition, medical facilities, water and power supply of barracks, cooking supplies and firefighting equipment. During the equipment inspection, members of the Chinese engineering contingent presented in detail the conditions of various facilities combined with practical operation and demonstration of the weapons and equipment. China Military Online.

[China is building Europe battery supply in Morocco, VW unit says](#)

Morocco is rich in phosphate resources, key to making lithium iron phosphate batteries. China is building a battery supply chain for Europe in Morocco, as the continent struggles to develop its own industry to feed electric-car manufacturing, PowerCo's operations head said. Automotive News Europe.

[China urged to partner Ghana to boost investment in Africa](#)

The Minister of Trade and Industry, Kobina Tahir Hammond, has urged Chinese investors to collaborate with Ghana to increase their investments across Africa. According to him, Ghana's central location and host to the African Continental Free Trade Area Secretariat put it in a prime position to be the top investment destination as well as a gateway to other African, European, and American markets. The Minister made the call while on an official visit to China, where he highlighted Ghana's concerted efforts to enhance entrepreneurial skills for both local and foreign investors. He asked the Chinese business community to work with Ghana to explore new opportunities for economic cooperation to deepen commercial ties between the two countries. Ghana Business News.

[UN Human Rights Office should follow up on transnational repression around the world, as well as abuses in China and Burkina Faso](#)

Mr. President, Human Rights Watch thanks the High Commissioner for his update. We share his concerns on growing transnational repression. This global phenomenon, whereby governments are reaching beyond their borders to violate the rights of human rights defenders, journalists, government critics and others in order to

silence them, is having a chilling effect on free expression and association. We encourage states at this Council to work together to address the issue; and would like to ask the High Commissioner what can be done to address and prevent this nefarious abuse? On China, we join the High Commissioner in deploring the use of the new repressive national security laws in Hong Kong against people exercising their free expression rights; and urging the authorities to repeal – and meanwhile not apply – the legislation, and release those arbitrarily detained and prosecuted under it. Human Right Watch.

[China's Tsingshan \\$1 Billion Steel Plant in Zimbabwe Starts Production](#)

China's nickel giant Tsingshan Holding Group has started production at its \$1 billion steel plant in central Zimbabwe, a company official said on Thursday. Tsingshan's Dinson Iron and Steel Company will produce 600,000 metric tons of carbon steel annually during the first phase of its operations, project director Wilfred Motsi told reporters during a tour of the plant. "We have started to produce pig iron, which is a raw material used for the production of steel. By July, that's when we will start to produce the actual carbon steel," Motsi said. He did not say how long the first phase would last. Tsingshan, one of the world's leading nickel producers, has made significant investments in Zimbabwe in recent years. Apart from the steel plant, Tsingshan also has ferrochrome, coking coal and lithium mining businesses in the southern African country. VOA Zimbabwe.

[Rwanda seeks closer cooperation with China in infrastructure, emerging industries: ambassador](#)

China and Rwanda have cultivated a robust relationship marked by mutual respect and cooperation. Guided by the heads of state of both countries, bilateral ties have flourished. Rwanda, a proactive participant in the China-proposed Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), has benefited from enhanced infrastructure and trade connections with China. In an interview with Global Times reporter Ma Jingjing and Zhang Yiyi (GT), Rwandan Ambassador to China James Kimonyo (Kimonyo) discussed expanding economic and trade cooperation between China and Rwanda, highlighting new opportunities for bilateral collaboration. Global Times.

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