



[Africa upbeat on China's reforms](#)

As China rolled out a series of new measures to further deepen reform and advance Chinese modernization, political party leaders and officials from African countries said they are confident the country will fulfill its set goals and bring benefits not only to itself, but also to the rest of the world. They made the remarks on Wednesday after being briefed about the third plenary session of the 20th Communist Party of China Central Committee in Changsha, capital of Hunan province. "Many foreign friends asked us to provide information on the session at the earliest time possible so that they will know more about the major measures that China will take for Chinese modernization," said Lu Kang, vice-minister of the International Department of the CPC Central Committee. Noting that it was the first such briefing for foreign guests shortly after the session concluded last week and adopted a landmark resolution covering more than 300 reform measures in various fields and aspects, Lu said it shows the great attention that China pays to sharing experiences of governance with African countries. China Daily.

[Special Representative of the Chinese Government on African Affairs Liu Yuxi Visits the Republic of the Congo](#)

On July 23, 2024, Special Representative of the Chinese Government on African Affairs and Ambassador for the Affairs of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) Liu Yuxi visited the Republic of the Congo, during which he paid a courtesy call on President Denis Sassou Nguesso of the Republic of the Congo and met with Foreign Minister Jean-Claude Gakosso. Chinese Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo Li Yan attended relevant events. Liu Yuxi said that this year marks the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and the Republic of the Congo. Under the strategic guidance of the leaders of the two countries, the traditional friendship between China and the Republic of the Congo is deeply rooted in people's hearts, and the comprehensive strategic cooperative relationship between China and the Republic of the Congo continues to develop. China is ready to further deepen political mutual trust with the Republic of the Congo, join hands to push forward modernization, and make good preparations together for the new summit of the FOCAC, so as to promote the building of a high-level community between China and the Republic of the Congo and between China and Africa with a shared future. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the People's Republic of China.

[China-Africa cooperation helps revitalize Cameroonian village](#)

Ndoumale Village in south Cameroon used to remind people of virtually everything except for development. Located on the outskirts of the seaside resort city of Kribi, the once-inaccessible village now boasts revival thanks to the implementation of China-Africa cooperation projects. The village's transformation began in 2011 when China Harbor Engineering Company Ltd. (CHEC), a Chinese firm, began building the first phase of Kribi Deep Seaport about 25 km from the village. At the same time, Chinese construction company CGCOC Cameroon Ltd. set out to construct a drinking water treatment plant and related supporting facilities in Ndoumale, which can

produce 7,000 cubic meters of water per day. Upon completion of the infrastructure, a new world of possibilities opened up, breathing new life into the village, which is inhabited by about 600 residents. Xinhua.

[**Africa has much to gain from China's more contained BRI**](#)

Despite the Belt and Road's mixed record in Africa, careful involvement in China's smaller, greener projects could be beneficial. China's Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) has gained significant traction in Africa since its launch in 2013, with 53 African nations participating in varying degrees. In 2023, African countries received \$21.7 billion in BRI deals, including investments in ports, railways and renewable energy. As China shifts BRI towards smaller, greener and less risky projects, Africa will have much to gain from the programme. But countries need to be more proactive in aligning the potential benefits with their own strategic priorities, and galvanising efforts to strengthen the governance of BRI. September's Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) is an opportunity for Africa to enhance its agency. China will use FOCAC to deepen BRI cooperation, with discussions focusing on concessional development finance, infrastructure and trade. The shift from the Dakar Action Plan (2022-2024) to a new framework has already sparked debate about its potential impact on Africa. Premium Times.

[**Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong Pays a Courtesy Call on Senegalese President Bassirou Diomaye Faye**](#)

On July 23, 2024, Vice Foreign Minister Chen Xiaodong paid a courtesy call on Senegalese President Bassirou Diomaye Faye in Dakar. Chen Xiaodong said, China and Senegal are comprehensive strategic cooperative partners. The two sides firmly support each other on issues concerning each other's core interests and major concerns, and have achieved fruitful results in various fields such as trade, investment, agriculture, and infrastructure construction. Under the strategic guidance of head-of-state diplomacy, China is ready to work with Senegal to strengthen high-level exchanges, consolidate political mutual trust, expand practical cooperation, enhance international coordination, and continuously elevate bilateral relations to new heights. This autumn, the new summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) will be held in Beijing. China welcomes President Bassirou Diomaye Faye, as the head of state of the African co-chair of the Forum, to attend the summit and visit China. Chen Xiaodong believes that the summit will be a complete success with the joint efforts of China, Senegal, and other members of the forum. Chen Xiaodong also introduced the relevant information about the recently held Third Plenary Session of the 20th CPC Central Committee. Africa .com.

[**China and Africa engaged in new development stage**](#)

Western powers, mainly the U.S., are seemingly hell bent on reducing China's global economic footprint through increasing tariffs and sanctions. It is against this backdrop that scholars and policy experts from 50 nation states in Africa and China recently jointly released the Dar es Salaam Consensus at the 13th Meeting of the China-Africa Think Tank's Forum in Tanzania's port city of Dar es Salaam. The Consensus provided a policy dialogue platform for deepening global development cooperation, reported the chinadaily.com.cn. That Africa and China are engaged in "a new development stage" is indicative of the need to create more opportunities for the continent outside of the purview of the Global North. "For instance, China has developed more than 100,000 kilometers (over 62,137.000 miles) of roads, 10,000 km (over 6,213 miles) of railway, 1,000 bridges, approximately 100 ports, and several energy facilities in Africa, the China Daily reported. Final Call News.

[Singapore, Hafnia to transfer oil cargo from fire-hit tanker](#)

The Singapore-flagged tanker Hafnia Nile and the Sao Tome and Principe-flagged tanker Ceres I collided and caught fire on July 19. Shipowner Hafnia, operator of the Hafnia Nile oil tanker, is in discussion with Singapore's Maritime and Port Authority (MPA) about transferring the damaged ship's cargo of naphtha to a safe location, the MPA said on Wednesday. The Singapore-flagged Hafnia Nile and the Sao Tome and Principe-flagged Ceres I collided and caught fire about 55km (35 miles) northeast of the Singaporean island of Pedra Branca early on July 19. The Hafnia Nile, a Panamax tanker chartered by Spanish energy firm Cepsa, was carrying about 300,000 barrels of naphtha which had been bought by Japanese refiner Eneos. Naphtha is a raw material for making petrochemicals. Hafnia said on Wednesday that experts are conducting inspections of the damaged areas of the tanker, which remains connected to tugs in Malaysian waters. South China Morning Post.

[Chinese Oil Company Suspends Niger Construction Over 'Terrorist' Threat](#)

A Chinese state-owned petroleum company has suspended all construction at the Agadem oilfield in eastern Niger after "terrorist" attacks, AFP learned from the company Wednesday. The suspension comes after a series of attacks on Niger's oil infrastructure in recent months, including one claimed by rebels seeking to return the coup-hit Sahel nation's democratically elected president to power. China Global South Project.

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