

A shared future: China-Africa People's Forum concludes

The seventh China-Africa People's Forum and the China-Africa Youth Leaders' Forum concluded in the southern province of Hunan on July 26. Over 200 African leaders from business, education and politics attended the three-day exchange. They come from more than fifty African nations, eager to learn from China's latest reforms and modernization efforts. Established in 2011, the event has been a key platform for non-governmental exchanges between China and Africa. China has been the continent's largest trading partner for 15 consecutive years: total bilateral trade reached a record \$282 billion last year, with private companies driving the growth. Participants at the forums welcomed the opportunities to foster business ties and friendship ahead of official dialogues in Beijing in September. CGTN.

China to share modernization experience with Africa: senior legislator

China-Africa cooperation, a senior Chinese legislator said here on Thursday. China will also make concerted efforts with African people and political parties in deepening exchange, building solidarity, pursuing growth, promoting peace and advancing civilizations, thus creating a favorable environment for both sides to achieve their own development visions, said Li Hongzhong, vice chairman of the National People's Congress Standing Committee. Li made the remarks when addressing the opening ceremony of the 7th China-Africa People's Forum and the 7th China-Africa Young Leaders Forum in Changsha, capital of Hunan Province in central China. Li said China and Africa have witnessed ever deepening political mutual trust and fruitful results of cooperation in various fields, thanks to the vision of a China-Africa community with a shared future and China's Africa policy featuring sincerity, real results, amity and good faith. Xinhua.

A New Vision for European Engagement in Africa (Beyond Confronting China)

Europe is Africa's largest trading partner and its largest source of foreign direct investment. But a lot of that economic engagement is powered by inertia, left over from Europe's long, painful history of colonial exploitation in Africa. Just as in the United States, Europe's politics are decidedly inward-looking where Africa, if it's on the agenda at all, is still largely seen as a "problem to be fixed." When policymakers do raise the issue of heightened engagement with the continent, it's often in the context of what the EU can do to counter China's influence in Africa. A new report published by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace aims to change that by outlining a more proactive, positive vision for why Europe should focus more attention on Africa in pursuit of a more balanced relationship. China Global South Project.

Forum attendees witness deepening Sino-African ties

Nasri Malissa, the top starter for the Algerian national women's table tennis team, expressed her joy about returning to China, the place where her dreams took deeper root. Malissa, 22, still has vivid memories of the moment when, at the age of 15, she had the opportunity to train and interact with her idol, former Chinese Olympic and world champion Zhang Yining, during a training camp in China in 2016. On Thursday, Malissa once again received coaching from the table tennis legend when she participated in a table tennis practice alongside other Algerian athletes at a parallel event of the seventh China-Africa People's Forum and the seventh China-Africa Young Leaders Forum in Changsha, Hunan province. "I began to play table tennis when I was a little kid. But I love it more after the training in China. Through this experience, I also have a deep understanding of Chinese friends' goodness — hard work, generosity, openness and integrity, all crucial for my personal growth," she said. China Daily.

Angola and China pledge to grow ICT ties

LUANDA - Angola seeks to expand its cooperation with China in the area of information and communications technology (ICT). The desire follows a meeting on Thursday between Zhang Bin, Chinese Ambassador to Angola, and the host country's Minister of Telecommunications, Information Technology and Information, Mário Augusto da Silva Oliveira, in the capital Luanda. The ambassador said plans to expand partnerships would be based on the cordial relations that have existed between China and the Southern African country for decades. As of 2021, Angola was the Asian global powerhouse's third-largest trading partner in Africa, culminating in the two countries announcing a comprehensive strategic partnership earlier this year. Bin said his country and Angola had in recent years achieved fruitful practical cooperation in the fields of communication, infrastructure, construction and digital development. "China is willing to further deepen exchanges and cooperation with Angola in digital applications and technical training to help Angola's economic and social development to benefit the people," the envoy said. IT Web.

Ongoing travel peak creates more opportunities for African carriers in China

The ongoing surge in travel to Africa has created more opportunities for African carriers, with tourist numbers from China boosting their performance. Since January until June this year, "more than 330,000 passengers have traveled on our passenger flights between Chinese mainland and the rest of the world. The number of passengers is approaching the normal number before the pandemic," Aman Wole Gurmu, country director of China for Ethiopian Airlines, told the Global Times. The seat occupancy rate of the route has always been maintained at a high level, especially during the peak tourist season and busy business periods, Gurmu added. As the capital of Ethiopia, Addis Ababa is an important transportation hub on the African continent. Departing from Addis Ababa, passengers can quickly connect to more than 60 African destinations. Ethiopian Airlines opened a Shanghai-Addis Ababa passenger route 10 years ago, marking what was also the first direct route from Shanghai to the African continent. Global Times.

China to Take Part in Counter-Terrorism Drills in East Africa

Chinese military forces will participate in joint counter-terrorism exercises with Mozambique and Tanzania later this month, Ministry of National Defense spokesman Zhang Xiaogang said. The land and sea drills will begin in late July and continue until mid-August, Zhang said in a statement published on a Chinese military website on Thursday. "The exercise aims to enhance the participating troops' capabilities in joint counter-terrorism

operations, and deepen military mutual trust and practical cooperation," Zhang said. "It will be conducive for the three countries to jointly preserve regional peace and stability." Mozambique and Tanzania both have ambitions to develop massive gas deposits discovered off the East African coast. Those plans have been disrupted in Mozambique by an Islamic State-backed insurgency that's forced TotalEnergies SE to suspend development of a \$20 billion liquefied natural gas project. State-owned China National Petroleum Corp. is part of the Rovuma LNG joint venture with ExxonMobil Corp. and Eni SpA that plans an onshore production complex next to Total's project. Chinese oil and gas producer CNOOC Ltd. in May signed contracts to explore five offshore blocks in the country. BNN Bloomberg.

China increases e-commerce partnerships with Rwanda

CHINA is empowering Rwandan tertiary scholars on e-commerce. This is part of the Asian economic powerhouse's aim of helping Africa to join the booming Chinese live streaming e-commerce and establishing channels for more cooperation. It is hoped that students could make a breakthrough and enter the world of live streaming e-commerce through a combination of education and entertainment. This is under the aegis of the Chinese Language + Live Streaming E-commerce Online Training Camp, where scholars are to complete a seven-day live streaming e-commerce skills training courses. Fang Jialin, a trainer, believes the students cherished the training opportunity, took the courses seriously, actively participated in interaction, and strove to complete each task in Chinese. "Their performance was excellent," Jialin remarked. There have been 75 trainees in the initial camp, They used the live streaming e-commerce training room built by Jinhua Polytechnic on Musangze campus to participate in the online interaction and follow-up training. CAJ News Africa.

FG To Strengthen Business Ties With China

The president welcomed the support of China for a more prominent position for Nigeria in the G20. The Federal Government has promised to further strengthen the 50-year old business relations between Nigeria and China. A statement by Special Adviser to the President, Chief Ajuri Ngelale, on Thursday, said President Bola Tinubu gave the assurance on Thursday in Abuja, while receiving the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China, Chen Xiaodong. "For us, it is a new beginning with you. A relationship that has lasted over 50 years must be nourished, nurtured, and promoted. Our mutual commitment to the values of labour, understanding, and development is very important. I am very happy that President Xi Jinping is paying attention to Africa as a whole and our developmental needs," President Tinubu told the Chinese delegation at the State House. Channels TV.

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