



[Zambian minister: China, Africa tell their own stories to the world](#)

The sixth Forum on China-Africa Media Cooperation was held in Beijing on Wednesday. Reacting to Western media narratives "that serve their own interest," Cornelius Mweetwa, the Zambian minister of information and media, told CGTN's Shen Shiwei in an interview that China and Africa are developing their own media agenda to speak their story and tell the rest of the world what China and Africa are about. CGTN.

[The foreign powers competing to win influence in Africa](#)

Many of Africa's leaders will descend on Beijing next month for the latest three-yearly summit with China. For leaders from the continent, these collective jamborees have become a familiar part of global summitry — and not just with China. In the past two years alone, the 54 African heads of state have been invited en masse to Washington for a US-Africa summit hosted by President Joe Biden, to St Petersburg for the second Russia-Africa summit with President Vladimir Putin, and to March's Italy-Africa summit in Rome presided over by Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni. African leaders have also had their choice of invitations to similar gatherings in Turkey, Saudi Arabia and, just this June, South Korea — the latest country to get in on the act of African summitry. Many will also fly off to Yokohama next year as Japan becomes a host, too. Financial Times.

[China and Africa cooperate to modernize agriculture](#)

Cooperation in agriculture between China and Africa has entered a new phase with high technology and digitalization. Willy Bett, Kenyan ambassador to China, told CGTN's Zhao Yunfei that the collaboration projects have been on-ground. Diao Chunhe, executive chairman of the Alliance of Chinese Business in Africa for Social Responsibilities, said both China and Africa are advancing the techniques for modernized agriculture. CGTN.

[China-Africa Rhapsody: Chinese experts share tech, expertise to help African farmers boost production, food security](#)

Friendly exchanges between China and Africa have enjoyed a long history and have deepened in recent years, covering various fields such as politics, the economy, and culture. The Global Times is launching a China-Africa Rhapsody series, aiming to showcase the profound human connections and development visions between the two peoples by sharing the true stories of Chinese people in Africa and African people in China. From touching stories of China-Africa cooperation and exciting collisions of youthful ideas, to debunking fallacies concocted by some Western sources about the China-Africa collaboration, this series hopes to promote closer cooperation and deeper understanding between the peoples of China and Africa. In this installment, we turn our attention to Chinese agricultural experts who have been actively collaborating with African countries to improve local rice cultivation techniques, significantly boosting agricultural productivity. Global Times.

[Energy connectivity, cooperation key to Africa's financial inclusion, experts say](#)

The surge in digital financial tools in Africa through mobile phone connectivity has broadened financial access but is hindered by lack of access to affordable clean energy, experts who had gathered in Kenya's capital Nairobi said on Wednesday, adding that China-Africa cooperation can help bridge the continent's access-to-energy gap. Speaking during the China-Africa Digital Financial Inclusion Summit 2024, Bei Duoguang, president of the Chinese Academy of Financial Inclusion at Renmin University of China, said the focus in Africa should be covering the last mile in energy connectivity in order to bring people in far-flung areas into the financial systems. Bei cited the example of Kenya's M-Pesa virtual banking system, which is supported by the Huawei Mobile Money Platform as an innovative way, through which Africa uses digital technology to handle financial services. China Daily.

[FOCAC and China's Future Role in Africa's Security Landscape](#)

With the next Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) only a few short weeks away, we've all been busy reading the tea leaves of what the summit might mean for the increasingly complex and multifaceted Africa-China relationship. One area I'll be keeping a close eye on in the coming weeks is China's evolving approaches to security cooperation in Africa. Security was not always a key priority in FOCAC Action plans, reflecting China's wider promotion of its "non-interference" principle and the fairly hands-off approach to economic cooperation during the early days of China's "Going Out" strategy. However, the watershed moment of the Libyan civil war and China's broader exposure to risk in intrastate conflicts in South Sudan and beyond led to the establishment of security cooperation as one key pillar of the FOCAC framework in 2012. China Global South Project.

[\(FOCAC\) China-Africa investment cooperation promotes Africa's industrialization: report](#)

China-Africa investment cooperation has provided a new impetus to Africa's industrialization, said a report released by the China-Africa Business Council on Friday. "China is the largest developing country investing in Africa, and China-Africa investment cooperation has been growing steadily," said the 2024 Chinese Investment in Africa report. "Through market-oriented investment, infrastructure investment and investment in new fields, Chinese enterprises are improving Africa's industrial system, promoting the progress of Africa's industrialization and upgrading its quality," said the report. Specifically, the report said Chinese investment in infrastructure strengthens Africa's foundation for industrialization and development, the market-oriented investment improves local industrialization systems, and investing in new fields promotes Africa's industrial transformation, upgrading and efficiency. Xinhua.

[China-Kenya Ties: China and Africa cooperate to modernize agriculture](#)

China and Africa are seeing deeper cooperation in agriculture. CGTN's Zhao Yunfei spoke to Willy Bett, Kenya's Ambassador to China, and Diao Chunhe, Executive Chairman of the Alliance of Chinese Business in Africa for Social Responsibilities, on the significance and future direction of the partnership. WILLY BETT Kenyan Ambassador to China "When China started cooperating with Africa, the region started seeing meaningful development. Practical infrastructural development started happening. Most of the infrastructure you currently see in Africa is a result of the partnership between China and Africa, and it shows the perspective of China towards development and the philosophy of the leadership and the CPC in China – that development is a right of every human being. It's not the doing of a particular group, and so that is why China's ability came of age to

partner with other nations in the area of development. It became so practical. It became evident. We started feeling the presence of China in my country and Africa in general." CGTN.

[What Transsion tells us about Chinese investment in Africa](#)

The Chinese firm Transsion Holdings is most well-known for smartphones only sold in African countries, including brand names Tecno, Itel and Infinix. Due to these brands, in the third quarter of 2023, Transsion surpassed Vivo to claim the fifth spot globally in mobile phone shipments, with its global market share reaching 8.6% and an African market share of around 40%. But Transsion's story is deeper than smartphones, and its story provides invaluable insights around the likely shape of Chinese foreign investment in Africa going forwards as well as lessons for other foreign investors looking to succeed in Africa. Crucial to Transsion's initial success was its ability to adapt to the ever-evolving dynamics of the global mobile phone landscape. African Business.

[China And Africa Strengthen Television Program Exchanges](#)

China and Africa are strengthening their collaboration in audiovisual production, with a focus on increasing exchanges of television series and programs. This was highlighted during the 6th Forum on China-Africa Media Cooperation and China-Africa Think Tank High-level Dialogue in Beijing. Representatives from government, radio and TV stations, as well as experts, expressed expectations for enhanced cooperation. The National Radio and Television Administration of China reported that by the end of last year, 237 audiovisual works and 180 agricultural programs had been translated into seven languages and broadcast in Africa. Cao Shumin, the administration's director, announced that China has signed agreements with 28 African countries to bolster cooperation in radio, television, and film. Broadcast Media Africa.

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