



['Destroying Africa's ecology?' — China's initiatives lead Africa's green development](#)

China and Africa share a longstanding friendship, respecting, appreciating and supporting each other consistently during the past several decades. The results of their cooperation in infrastructure development, agriculture, healthcare and education have been undeniable. However, some Western media and politicians continue to accuse China of debt traps, neo-colonialism and more. CGTN's new series "China-Africa Cooperation: Debunking Western Myths" aims to put the record straight. This is the second episode in the series. "Kenyan conservationists protest as Chinese company starts work on railway" "Only 2% of Chinese loans allocated to renewable energy" "China's renewable energy empire in Africa: Lifeline or debt trap?" "China wants fish, so Africa goes hungry". CGTN.

[China, African countries to further strengthen ties with Global South: African expert](#)

The Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) has elevated China-Africa development to new heights, and the 2024 summit, amid global anti-globalization trends, political instability, and retreating democracies, will further foster deeper cooperation as well as collaborative development among China, African countries and the Global South, Dennis Munene Mwaniki, executive director of the China-Africa Center at the Africa Policy Institute, told the Global Times. Mwaniki has high expectations for the upcoming summit. He said that it will enhance cooperation on agricultural technologies, advance the "green silk road" to support Africa in leveraging its rich green-energy resources to combat climate change, improve its health system through the "health silk road," and expand its global market access via the "digital silk road." Global Times.

[China's trade with Africa hits 1.19 trl yuan](#)

China's trade with Africa grew steadily in the first seven months of the year, rising 5.5 percent year on year to 1.19 trillion yuan (about 166.6 billion U.S. dollars), according to data released by the General Administration of Customs. China-Africa trade reached a record high of 282.1 billion U.S. dollars in 2023, up 1.5 percent year on year, showing strong resilience. In 2023, China's imports of African nuts, vegetables, flowers and fruits increased by 130 percent, 32 percent, 14 percent, and 7 percent, respectively, from the previous year. And China's new energy vehicles, lithium batteries, and photovoltaic products exported to Africa increased by 291 percent, 109 percent and 57 percent year on year, respectively. China has remained Africa's largest trading partner for 15 consecutive years, according to the customs. The GAC released the China-Africa Trade Index for the first time in 2023, with the general index of data from 2000 serving as the benchmark. Africa News.

[Africa, China, and the Race for Critical Minerals: A New Focus for FOCAC?](#)

Despite the broad scope of topics covered at FOCAC, one crucial area remains notably underrepresented: mining and critical minerals. As Beijing prepares for the 2024 Summit of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation

(FOCAC), scheduled to take place from September 4 to 6, there is a sense of anticipation about what the summit will bring. Established in 2000 at the request of African nations seeking greater coordination with China, FOCAC has evolved into a key framework for dialogue and collaboration between China and Africa. Held every three years, alternating between Beijing and an African country as host, the summit is expected to draw a substantial number of African heads of state; 2018 summit in Beijing had over 50 African top leaders and representatives of African organizations in attendance. The Diplomat.

China to advance high-quality BRI ties with Africa

China will take further steps including deepening partnership in emerging fields, such as green development and the digital economy, to promote high-quality Belt and Road cooperation with African countries in the coming years, according to a new report released on Thursday. Officials said the cooperation under the Belt and Road Initiative has brought mutual benefits and shared prosperity for both sides, injecting fresh impetus into the economic and social development of African nations and helping build a stronger China-Africa community with a shared future. They said the two sides will step up efforts to advance cooperation in policy coordination, infrastructure construction and strengthening of economic and trade ties, hoping to see the healthy, green and digital development of the BRI. People's Daily Online.

FOCAC summit to unfold a new chapter of China-Africa digital, tech cooperation

Fortunate Punungwe, a 20-something African radiographer, starts her daily work on Wednesdays by reviewing the patient list and making sure all the X-ray equipment is set up and working properly. Her work is mainly about using portable devices alongside artificial intelligence (AI) technology to spot tuberculosis (TB) patients in Zimbabwe, where over 40 percent estimated TB cases reportedly go undiagnosed. The African continent as a whole accounts for 23 percent of TB cases and 33 percent of deaths globally, according to an article published on WHO website. At the beginning of the year, Zimbabwe in collaboration with Chinese tech company Infervision, applied AI in larger scale in local community TB detection. Punungwe joined the program and received training at that time. According to her, the wide use of digital technology, especially AI, has been a "game-changer" for Zimbabwe, with far-reaching impact on the country's healthcare system. Global Times.

Injecting new impetus into China-Nigeria cooperation

In July this year, the 20th Central Committee of the Communist Party of China (CPC) convened its third plenary session in Beijing, with the adoption of the Resolution of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of China on Further Deepening Reform Comprehensively to Advance Chinese Modernization. The resolution showcases the missions, responsibilities and strong resolve of the CPC Central Committee with Comrade Xi Jinping at its core to see the reform through. The meeting not only bears great significance for China's development, but also will have a profound impact on the whole world. China is the second largest economy in the world, and its measures to deepen reform and achieve Chinese modernization have attracted great attention and positive response from the international community. The Sun Nigeria.

China-Nigeria Relations: Media Group Launches Co-Production Project

The China Media Group (CMG) Asian and African Languages Programming Center, in collaboration with the Chinese Embassy in Nigeria and StarTimes, has launched the China-Nigeria co-production project "Kwadon

Baka,” meaning “Traverse China with Me,” in Abuja, Nigeria’s capital. The programme, is to strengthen China-Nigeria relations and deepen media cooperation between the two countries. Speaking during the unveiling of the television documentary titled “Traverse China with Me”, Nigeria’s Minister of Information and National Orientation, Mohammed Idris, who was represented by the Director Press in the Ministry, Dr. Suleiman Haruna, re-echoed the vital role media outlets play in guiding society, highlighting the promotion of mutual understanding, and contributing to significant development. Voice of Nigeria.

[China-Africa Cooperation: Relay race launched by Chinese enterprise in Ethiopia enhances bilateral friendship](#)

A relay race organized by China First Highway Engineering Company in Ethiopia's Addis Ababa has benefited locals for twenty years. CGTN's Zheng Songwu reports. This relay race has been one of the most prominent sporting events in Ethiopia since it was launched in 2004 – with a goal of improving people's awareness of traffic safety rules and enhancing China-Ethiopia ties. The event is held annually and is an example of China First Highway Engineering Company, a subsidiary of China Communications Construction Company, promoting China-Ethiopia friendship. More than 40 thousand people from all walks of life have joined it. The race is organized and sponsored by the Chinese enterprise, the local traffic authority of Addis Ababa, and a world-famous runner. ZHENG SONGWU Addis Ababa, Ethiopia "Haile Gebrselassie is considered one of the greatest distance runners in history. CGTN.

[US taps Tanzania for infrastructure plan in battle with China for minerals](#)

The US is roping Tanzania into the mooted Lobito Corridor project to tap the Kabanga nickel deposit, but with a wider focus on rivalry with China in areas where development will take place. The details emerged this week as Washington spoke of the importance of Tanzania in helping to link the corridor from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean, making it easier for investments in natural resources lying in Angola, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Zambia and Tanzania. In Tanzania, however, Washington wants to tap into the country's minerals, particularly its nickel mines. Located in north-western Tanzania, some 120km south-west of Lake Victoria and near the border with Burundi, the Kabanga deposit is considered to be one of the largest and richest undeveloped nickel sulphide deposits known at present, of unrivalled scale and grade. The East African.

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