



[China begins work on Kenyan geothermal power plant amid African renewable energy push](#)

Beijing's push for renewable energy projects across Africa has been highlighted at a groundbreaking ceremony at the site of a new Chinese-led geothermal power plant project to be built in Kenya's Great Rift Valley. State-owned energy and construction company PowerChina will build the 35-megawatt Orpower 22 geothermal plant at the Menengai Crater, with the facility owned by Chinese firm Kaishan Group, which is spending US\$93 million on the construction. During the ceremony, President William Ruto said the plant will raise the country's global ranking in geothermal production to fifth overall, and "highlights our commitment to unlock Kenya's vast geothermal potential to drive economic growth". South China Morning Post.

[South Africa looks to Africa and China ties as global trade fences go up](#)

South Africa's trade minister said his country is pursuing more robust trade and investment ties within the continent and with China - its biggest trade partner - as the global trade environment becomes increasingly fraught. Parks Tau said that while he has had extensive and positive engagements with leaders in the United States, and collaborative relationships with Europe, South Africa is keen to develop more trade within Africa. Trade globally, he said, was becoming increasingly complicated as the U.S. and China impose tariffs on each other, while Europe has added carbon import taxes. "There's almost an undeclared trade war," he told Reuters after attending the FT Africa summit in London. "It has a direct impact on us." Reuters.

[Ethiopia: Eyes enhancement of cultural cooperation with China](#)

Ethiopian Ambassador to China, Tefera Derbew, met and held a discussion with Long Yuxiang, executive chairman of the China International Cultural Communication Center (CICCC) in Beijing on October 29. During their meeting, they explored ways to enhance cultural cooperation between Ethiopia and China. Since the establishment of diplomatic relations between China and Ethiopia, the friendship between the two countries and the two peoples has grown ever stronger. Particularly, after the China-Ethiopia relations were upgraded to an all-weather strategic partnership, the two sides have firmly seized the important opportunity of jointly building the Belt and Road and a community of a shared future for mankind. Political mutual trust continues to be deepened, and practical cooperation in various fields continues to be advanced. Global Times.

[Kenya launches China-supported bamboo agroforestry initiative to manage floods](#)

Kenya has launched a new initiative aimed at promoting the planting of bamboo trees along the Nzoia River basin in western Busia County. This project, funded by the Chinese Academy of Sciences through its Sino-Africa Joint Research Center, is designed to control flooding, enhance climate resilience and improve food security for local communities, as well as to restore the ecological health of the Nzoia River, a major tributary of Lake Victoria, Africa's largest freshwater body. Titled "Ecosystem Restoration for Enhancing Livelihoods and Addressing Climate Change: China-Kenya Cooperation on Bamboo Technology Transfer," the project is implemented in collaboration with the United Nations Environment Program's affiliated International Ecosystem Management Partnership (UNEP-IEMP). CGTN.

[Chinese opera group spices celebration of China-Zambia diplomatic ties of 60 years](#)

One of China's most well-known art troupes spiced up celebrations of the 60th anniversary of China-Zambia diplomatic relations with a thrilling performance. On Thursday night, the Zambia Chinese Association in collaboration with the Chinese Embassy in Zambia presented a cultural event as part of celebrations for the bilateral ties by showcasing Chinese dramas and musical compositions. Presented by east China's Zhejiang Wu Opera Research Center, the Wu Opera dazzled the audience, comprised of Chinese nationals and Zambian locals, who kept ululating and clapping for an encore. They couldn't help but take videos and photos of the intriguing performance. Global Times.

[Namibia/China relations characterized by mutual respect, says Nghituwamata](#)

THE Executive Director of the Ministry of Agriculture, Water, and Land Reform, Ndiyakupi Nghituwamata, said that Namibia and China enjoy a strong bilateral relationship characterized by mutual respect, cooperation, and shared development goals. Speaking on Tuesday at the official launch of the South-South Cooperation project between Namibia and the People's Republic of China, Nghituwamata said the project, which falls under the guidance of the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), aims to address Namibia's agricultural challenges and promote sustainable development. "This moment marks a significant milestone in the longstanding cooperation between Namibia and China. This project is a testament to our commitment to strengthening ties and working together to address common challenges," said Nghituwamata. Informante.