

COP29: Africa 'does not want to alienate China' in Baku

It started with a victory. In the early hours of the COP negotiations, the gavel sounded in Baku's Olympic Stadium, where the climate conference's 29th edition is being held from 11-22 November. The Azeri Presidency had succeeded in securing an agreement on the regulation of carbon markets. "It's the culmination of 10 years' work, and a big step forward," said COP29 chief negotiator Yalchin Rafiyev. "It was the Wild West, but now we're moving in the right direction," says an African specialist in carbon markets. Numerous studies indicate that carbon markets have developed without sufficiently solid standards, opening the door to abuses and greenwashing. The Africa Report.

US and Chinese rail projects boost Zambia's copper industry

As AFC signs \$1.5bn deal to build the US-backed Lobito railway corridor, China moves to revive the historic TAZARA line. In September 2024, the Africa Financial Corporation (AFC) signed concession agreements with the governments of Angola and Zambia for the financing, construction, ownership and operation of the Zambia Lobito Railway – part of the multimodal transport facility, the Lobito Corridor Project. The Africa Report.

China seeks collaboration with Kenya on Eco-tourism

China is exploring collaboration with Kenya's tourism sector on areas of sustainable tourism, with Kenya being named as a pioneer of eco-tourism in Africa. Speaking during the China-Kenya Tourism Dialogue and "Hello China" Tourism Promotion at the Maasai Mara Game Reserve, Lu Yingchuan, Vice Minister of China's Ministry of Culture and Tourism, lauded Kenya's efforts in ensuring it remains the leading preferred tourist destination in Africa. "Kenya, as one of the pioneers of ecotourism in Africa, has accumulated lots of experience in integrating ecological protection and tourism development," said Yingchuan. Financial Fortune Media.

Deputy minister deepens China ties during Wuhan visit

South Africa's Nomalungelo Gina welcomes "proactive" partnerships in satellite technology, agriculture and education South Africa's deputy science minister has welcomed progress on "proactive" science partnerships with China. In a statement issued by her department, Nomalungelo Gina (pictured), who was attending the China-Africa Innovation Cooperation and Development Forum in Wuhan on 7 November, pointed to progress on partnerships in satellite technology, agricultural knowledge sharing and educational exchange. Research Professional News.

Nigeria signs \$1.2 billion deal with Chinese state-owned company to revamp key gas plant

Nigeria has inked a \$1.2 billion deal with a Chinese firm to revitalize a gas processing facility, a move that officials say could propel the African country to a leading position in aluminum production. The deal between the Chinese state-owned CNCEC and the BFI Group, a major investor in the Aluminum Smelter Company of Nigeria, is expected to revive the 135 million standard cubic feet gas processing

facility plant at the smelter. It was announced Tuesday by Nigeria's minister of state for gas via a post on the social platform X. Minister of State for Gas Ekperikpe Ekpo expressed optimism about the "significant investment," stating that it would position the smelter "back on the path to becoming a leading aluminium producer for both domestic and international markets." Abc News.

45th Cairo Int'l Film Festival kicks off with strong Chinese participation

The 45th Cairo International Film Festival (CIFF) kicked off Wednesday evening at Egypt's Cairo Opera House with strong Chinese participation. Egyptian veteran movie star Hussein Fahmy, the festival's president, expressed appreciation for the presence of Chinese film at the 45th CIFF. "We have 18 Chinese guests today and about seven Chinese films participating in the 45th CIFF. We have always been interested in Chinese cinema, and I have watched Chinese films since I was a student at the cinema institute," Fahmy told Xinhua on the red carpet during the opening gala. Xinhua.

China-Egypt jointly built economic zone hailed as model for Belt and Road cooperation

The economic zone near Egypt's vital Suez Canal built by China's giant industrial developer TEDA is a promising model of the Belt and Road cooperation between Egypt and China, which contributes to Egyptian industrial development, representatives of Egyptian political parties have said. Representatives from a dozen renowned Egyptian parties, such as the Homat Al Watan (the Protectors of the Nation) Party, the Free Egyptians Party, the Al-Wafd Party, the Egyptian Socialist Party, and the Justice Party, recently toured the China-Egypt TEDA Suez Economic and Trade Cooperation Zone in Ain Sokhna district of Suez province, where they visited a few Chinese factories, including those of Chinese home appliance manufacturer Midea and Chinese fibreglass giant Jushi. Borneo Post Online.

<u>Tanzanian student witnesses China-Tanzania cooperation, aims to bring Chinese culture to</u> Africa

The awards ceremony of "My Chinese Story" China-Africa Photo and Video Competition was held in Beijing on Nov. 1. It was sponsored by the Secretariat of the Chinese Follow-up Committee of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation and China Public Diplomacy Association, and organized by Global Times Online. A video created by Tanzanian Tewele Ayubu Damiani's team, "Xiaole's Chinese Story", won first prize in the "Video Evidence-Popular Short Film" category. Xiaole is his Chinese name. In an exclusive interview with China News Network, Damiani said that the friendship between China and Tanzania represents a brotherly bond. Ecns wire.

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