



[Nigerian wins China, Nigeria singing competition](#)

A Nigerian, Miss Linda Ifeoma Onyelabara, has won the Chinese category at the 2024 Good Partners of China and Africa Chinese and English Singing Competition. The Singing Competition aimed to strengthening the existing ties between China and Nigeria through cultural exchange and mutual appreciation of music and language. The grand finale of the singing competition in Abuja, was in grouped in two categories, which includes the English Language category and Chinese language category. Contestants from both countries sang in both Chinese and English language, with Ms. Linda Ifeoma Onyelabara, a graduate of Business Education at Nnamdi Azikiwe University and Master's degree in Chinese language, emerging as the overall winner of the Chinese Language category. Voice of Nigeria.

[Top 10 African countries with the highest debt to China in 2 decades](#)

From trains and highways to power plants and ports, Chinese funding has helped to accelerate Africa's economic growth and bridge infrastructural gaps. However, although these loans have accelerated growth, they also present obstacles that may impede long-term development. These obstacles take the form of debt default. The volume of borrowing from China has generated concerns over debt sustainability in some African countries. It had earlier been reported that China's financing in Africa dipped significantly in 2022, dropping below \$1 billion. This decrease as highlighted by data from Boston University's Global China Initiative, was in line with the challenges faced by several African nations in managing debt crises. Business Insider.

[China's zero-tariff plan for African economies raises doubts among experts](#)

Beijing's recent decision to eliminate tariffs for goods from least developed countries (LDCs) with diplomatic relations with China, including 33 in Africa, has been met with a great deal of skepticism among experts. The decision, announced by President Xi Jinping at the 2024 Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) that was held in Beijing in early September, aims to boost African exports to China. However, many experts have expressed their skepticism, arguing that past China-Africa trade agreements have favored the Asian economic powerhouse more than the continent, often leading to local market disruptions. In fact, analysts see it as part of Beijing's long-term strategy to expand China's influence in Africa without bringing much benefit to the LDCs. The North Africa Post.

[Chinese firms bet on African gold as prices surge in the face of uncertainty](#)

As gold prices surge, Chinese investors are betting on Africa to secure gold supplies by stepping up mining activities in South Africa and Ghana, the continent's two top exporters of the precious metal. China-African Precious Metals Company (CAPM), a subsidiary of Shanghai Stock Exchange-listed Pengxin International Mining, has opened a newly refurbished gold processing plant in Orkney, South Africa. The mine is located in South Africa's Witwatersrand basin, home to one of the world's largest known gold reserves. The Chinese firm invested 200 million rand (US\$11 million) in the resuscitation of the gold processing plant, a move that is expected to create nearly 4,000 jobs in South Africa. The plant is

part of a 2 billion rand investment in the company's Orkney mine operations in the country's North West province. South China Morning Post.

[Tech and value help Chinese cars make inroads in South Africa](#)

If you're driving in one of South Africa's cities and find yourself staring at an unfamiliar car logo, you may well be looking at one of the many Chinese cars that are proving increasingly popular among motorists. Chinese-owned brands have been making major strides in the market's mid-range segment, where cars are typically priced below R600,000 (\$33,000). In the cross-over SUV segment or 'compact family cars', two Chinese brands, Haval and Chery, made the top 10 for new car sales in the first half of 2024, according to the Automotive Business Council. African Business.

[China's Xi Jinping and Morocco's Crown Prince Pledge Closer Ties](#)

Chinese President Xi Jinping and Moroccan Crown Prince Moulay Hassan reaffirmed their commitment to deepening ties between China and Morocco during a brief meeting in Casablanca. The encounter, which followed Xi's state visit to Brazil, took place at Casablanca's airport, where Xi was greeted by Hassan and Morocco's Prime Minister Aziz Akhannouch. During the meeting, Xi emphasized Beijing's readiness to strengthen its strategic partnership with Rabat, highlighting successful cooperation across various sectors since King Mohammed VI's visit to China in 2016. He expressed Beijing's intent to work closely with Rabat on implementing outcomes from the China-Africa and China-Arab cooperation forums, under the Belt and Road framework. Africa.com LLC.

[New Geopolitical Landscape Explains Why Xi Made Unannounced Stopover in Morocco](#)

Chinese President Xi Jinping arrived back in Beijing on Saturday after a week-long trip to South America to attend a pair of summits in Brazil and Peru. On his way home, Xi made an unscheduled stopover in Morocco on Thursday, where he was greeted at the airport in Casablanca by 21-year-old Crown Prince Moulay Hassan. During the visit, which lasted only a few hours, Xi also met with King Mohammed VI for what appeared to be a high-level courtesy call. China Global South Project.

[China backs Morocco's efforts to preserve stability and security – Ambassador](#)

The visit paid by Xi Jinping on Saturday to Casablanca highlights China's support for Morocco's efforts to preserve security and stability, Chinese ambassador to Rabat Li Changlin said. Jinping was received in Casablanca airport, on his way back from a G20 meeting in Brazil, by Crown Prince Moulay El Hassan and head of the government Aziz Akhannouch. The visit will add momentum to the diversification push by the two countries of their strategic partnership, the ambassador said. The visit is also an expression of the solidarity between the two countries that cooperate on vital issues, he said. The North Africa Post.

[Somalia, China agree to further strengthen judicial cooperation](#)

Bashe Yusuf Ahmed, President of the Supreme Court of the Federal Republic of Somalia, met with Wang Yu, Chinese Ambassador to Somalia. The Chief Justice and the ambassador discussed and agreed to further strengthen judicial cooperation between Somalia and China, according to the Somali National News Agency (SONNA). Ambassador Wang said, "I had an inspiring discussion with Chief Justice Bashe Yusuf Ahmed on how to further judicial cooperation between the two countries". Bahrain News Agency.

China's Future Role in Zimbabwe Power Plant Uncertain Amid Debt Crisis

Zimbabwe's business community is sounding the alarm over the prospect that one of the country's largest sources of electricity could be shuttered due to its failure to repay debts to Chinese creditors. Zimbabwe power authorities have reportedly fallen behind in servicing \$1.4 billion of loans provided by Chinese creditors, including the state-owned construction giant Sinohydro. China Global South Project.

Zimbabwe-China trade hits record high as agricultural and energy partnerships expand

Trade between Zimbabwe and China reached a historic milestone in 2023, soaring to US\$1.7 billion from US\$973 million in 2019. The two nations have strengthened their economic ties through formal agreements enabling Zimbabwe to export citrus, avocados, chillies, sesame, and blueberries to the Chinese market. This is reported by The Herald, a partner of TV BRICS. Blueberry exports stood out with an impressive annual growth rate of 108 per cent over the past five years, positioning Zimbabwe as the fastest-growing exporter in Southern Africa. Additionally, Zimbabwe's peas continue to gain popularity in Europe, where the country ranks as the third-largest African supplier and seventh globally. TV Brics.

The 6th ISWAS 2024 Takes Place Successfully in Benin

The 2024 Sixth International Symposium on West African Studies (6th ISWAS), themed "Digital Technology Enabled Economic and Social Development in West Africa", opened in Benin on Nov. 20, local time. Attendees at the opening who made speeches included Nelly KELOME, the Vice-Chancellor of University of Abomey-Calavi (UAC), Benin, Mu Tao, the President of the Chinese Society of African Historical Studies, Rosemond Boohene, the Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University of Cape Coast (UCC), Ghana, and Tang Hong, the Chairman of Ghana Chinese Chamber of Commerce. The Manila Times.

China-Africa: A dynamic relationship

China from the beginning of the 21st century until now has succeeded and climbed to the second place in the world economy after the USA. Thus, it now claims global diplomatic and economic influence, competing with the other major powers in trade and investments, especially in Africa. Africa on the other hand is a vast geographical area of the planet, it is the world's third largest continent in terms of area and second in population (estimated approximately for 2024 at 1.5 billion inhabitants). It has an area of about 30.2 million square kilometers together with the surrounding islands and occupies 6% of the total surface of the Earth and 20.4 percent of the total land area. Capital Ethiopia.