

Expert: China and Africa jointly maintain the stability of the global supply chain

A forum titled "Bridging Economies, Shaping Futures – South Africa and China: a Vision for Shared Success" was held as part of the ongoing second China International Supply Chain Expo (CISCE) at the Shunyi Hall of the China International Exhibition Center in Beijing on November 28. The event was hosted by Brand South Africa and supported by the Commercial Sub-Council of the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade. In an interview with CGTN, Gary Smith, economic counselor at the South African Embassy in China, stated that the CISCE provides an important platform for his country. CGTN.

Experts react: What Biden's trip to Angola says about US Africa policy, China, and more

It's a last minute trip that's a long time coming. On December 2, US President Joe Biden will travel to Angola for what is likely the final foreign trip of his presidency. It's also his first to Sub-Saharan Africa, and it fulfills a promise Biden made during the US-Africa Leaders Summit in 2022 to travel to the continent. Yet the trip comes in the twilight of his term, which raises questions about the urgency and scope of US attention to the region, as well as about how the incoming administration should build on Biden's outreach. Below, Atlantic Council experts share their insights on what Biden's trip signals about where US diplomacy in Africa is headed. Atlantic Council.

Biden to spotlight Angola's Lobito Corridor, his legacy to counter China in Africa

When U.S. President Joe Biden visits Angola on Wednesday, he will put into focus his legacy infrastructure project aimed at securing crucial supply chains on the African continent. Called the Lobito Corridor, the project is the centerpiece of his administration's strategy to counter China's clout in global development. The Lobito Corridor is a \$5 billion investment across multiple sectors that is intended to revitalize and extend the 1,300-kilometer Benguela railway line. It will connect the 120-year-old Angolan port of Lobito on the Atlantic Ocean to the Democratic Republic of Congo, and in its second phase, to Zambia. Voice of America.

Biden fulfilling promise to visit Africa as US looks to counter China's deepening influence in region

President Joe Biden will fulfill a two-year promise to visit Africa as he departs Sunday night for Angola, a trip aimed at highlighting US investment in the continent under his watch in the face of China's deepening inroads in the region. Biden's three-day visit to oil-rich Angola comes at the tail end of his presidency, as he'll hand over power to President-elect Donald Trump in January. The trip provides Biden with another chance to cement relations with a key US partner in Africa even as the continent prepares for the return of Trump, who made disparaging comments about African countries in his first term. Egypt Independent.

Railway Plan: U.S. Counters China's Influence in Africa

President Joe Biden begins a pivotal visit to Angola, emphasizing Africa's importance in U.S. diplomacy. His trip highlights a transformative U.S.-backed railway plan aimed at redirecting mineral exports to Western markets. This was reported by the railway transport news portal Railway Supply.

How Kenya can bridge its trade deficit with Chinese company

For 61 years, Sino-Kenya ties have strengthened significantly, reaching a strategic level that other African nations could emulate. However, Kenya has yet to fully unlock the economic potential of this relationship. As President William Ruto's administration emphasises an economy-focused foreign policy, Kenya should continue initiatives launched by the previous administration to address the trade imbalance with China. The deficit rose to \$3.62 billion (Sh485.08 billion under the prevailing exchange rate) in 2022 from \$3.51 billion (Sh470.34 billion) in the prior year, the Central Bank of Kenya reported. The Star.

US, UK, Canada, China, Brazil, GCC and Schengen Nations Among 195 Countries Enjoying Limited-Time Visa Free Travel to Ghana This Holiday Season: New Updates You Need to Know

Ghana is opening its doors wide this holiday season with a landmark announcement: nationals from 195 countries, including the United States, United Kingdom, Canada, China, Brazil, GCC nations, and the Schengen Area, can now travel to Ghana under a Non-Pre-Approval Visa scheme. This temporary waiver, effective from December 1, 2024, to January 15, 2025, is part of the transformative 10-year "Beyond the Return" initiative, inviting travelers to explore Ghana's vibrant culture, electrifying holiday celebrations, and unmatched hospitality. Travel And Tour World.

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