



[Ethiopia to host first China-Ethiopia film, TV festival](#)

The inaugural China-Ethiopia Film and TV Festival is set to be held in Addis Ababa, the capital of Ethiopia, scheduled between Dec. 20 and 23, with a primary goal of promoting cooperation among BRICS member states in film-making and cultural exchanges. Speaking at a media briefing in Addis Ababa on Friday, Zhang Yawei, cultural counselor at the Chinese Embassy in Ethiopia, said the festival will serve as one of the tools to enhance mutual understanding and friendship between the peoples of the two countries via their films and TV shows. People's Daily Online.

[Chinese drilling team turns Egypt's desert into farmland](#)

In early winter, the warm sun bathes the desert hinterland of Kom Ombo, some 60 kilometers north of Aswan Province in Upper Egypt. Against the vast arid landscape, patches of lush green wheat stand in striking contrast. "Before, this place was an arid desert with no vegetation. Now, with the irrigation of well water, crops such as wheat have grown here, full of vitality and hope," said Ahmed El-Sadani, beaming as he shared his story. Sadani, 30 years old, is the deputy manager of the Aswan water well project of ZPEC (China's Zhongman Petroleum and Natural Gas Group Corp., Ltd.) branch in Egypt, responsible for managing six water well drilling teams on site. People's Daily Online.

[Let's cherish the shared bonds as Kenya, China embrace friendship](#)

Dear friends in Kenya, Time flies and as my tenure as the Chinese Ambassador to Kenya draws to a close, I bid farewell with a heart full of gratitude and reluctance. Over the past four years, I have had the privilege to witness and contribute to the flourishing relations between China and Kenya. I have seen the profound friendship between our peoples and felt the boundless vitality and hope of this beautiful land. During this unforgettable journey, China-Kenya relations have reached new heights. The Standard.

[Ambassador of Madagascar: Beijing, a City Ready for the Future](#)

Elegantly dressed in formal attire, there's a group of people, who always actively engage in important diplomatic and foreign affairs events. Despite their busy schedule, they take time to explore the vibrant streets and alleys of Beijing, immersing themselves in the history and cultural allure of this modern metropolis. Who are they? They are ambassadors representing over 170 countries across Asia, Europe, Africa, North America, South America and Oceania, in China. Curious about their impressions of Beijing? Which popular tourist attractions have they visited, and what cuisines do they like? Do they prefer unwinding at a cafe in Sanlitun, cycling along the riverbanks, or taking leisurely strolls after work? Moreover, what messages do they wish to convey to the people of Beijing? Information Center of Foreign Affairs Office of Beijing Municipal Government.

[2024 China-Africa Think Tanks Energy Forum Triumphs in Chad](#)

The 2024 China-Africa Think Tanks Energy Forum convened in Chad's capital, N'Djamena. The event, themed "China-Africa Collaboration to Modernize Energy Cooperation: Unlocking New Opportunities

for Synergistic Partnerships," brought together over 70 delegates from China, Chad, Kenya, Ethiopia, Nigeria, South Africa, and other African nations. CNPC Economics and Technology Research Institute (CNPC ETRI), a leading national think tank, in collaboration with the Africa Policy Institute (API) in Kenya, unveiled the findings of the CNPC ETRI and API Joint Research Report: Research on the Resources, Development, and Utilization of Key Minerals in Africa. The Press Trust of India.

[Chinese fishing vessel under control of suspected pirates off Somali coast, EU naval force says](#)

A Chinese fishing vessel off the coast of Somalia has come under the control of alleged pirates, a European Union anti-piracy force operating in the area said Thursday. The ship, with up to 18 crew members, had been taken over by the suspected pirates, some of whom were armed with AK-47s and machine guns, the European Union Naval Force Operation Atalanta said in a statement. It classified the incident as a robbery at sea and said none of the crew had been injured. The force had responded to an alert from police in Somalia's semi-autonomous northeastern Puntland region that a Chinese ship off the coast had allegedly been hijacked, its statement said. CNN.

[Maritime threats high on agenda as Chinese navy hosts Gulf of Guinea security forum](#)

China wrapped up a two-day forum on the security situation in the Gulf of Guinea on Thursday as it tries to boost its military presence in Africa, which analysts say would allow Beijing to "project power further west". The Chinese navy hosted the seminar in Shanghai, attended by the maritime armed forces of 18 countries from the Gulf of Guinea, including Cameroon, Congo, Gabon, Ivory Coast and Nigeria, according to a defence ministry statement. It said the marine environment and regional security would be on the agenda along with China-Africa maritime security cooperation. South China Morning Post.