



ONYANGO: COP29 in Azerbaijan failed Africa so collaboration with China vital

The takeaway from the end of is that developed countries continue to betray humanity by failing to commit to raising a trillion dollars to combat global warming. This exposes African countries, which remain low emitters but bear the brunt of climate change. Prolonged droughts and floods have become the norm in Africa, with countries like Kenya being the most affected. Earlier this year, multi-million-shilling roads were swept away by floods, yet no one will compensate Nairobi for such massive losses. The Star.

China's Luban Workshop fuels young Kenyans' innovative spirit

Dickson Esamai is busy working on his agricultural innovation with his teammates at the Luban Workshop at Machakos University, about 65 km southeast of Nairobi, the Kenyan capital. The fifth-year student, who is pursuing a bachelor's degree in electrical and electronics engineering, is developing a device that seeks to help farmers improve their output. "We are building a tool that guides farmers to determine the right crop to cultivate on their land based on the nutrients present," Esamai said in an interview with Xinhua. The hand-held device has sensors that measure soil moisture to help farmers get the right amount of water for their crops, thereby conserving water. Xinhua.

SCZONE, Chinese Henneway launch \$50M luggage manufacturing project in Qantara West

The Chairman of the Suez Canal Economic Zone (SCZONE), Walid Gamal El-Dien, led the groundbreaking ceremony for the Chinese Henneway luggage manufacturing project at the Qantara West Industrial Zone. The \$50 million investment spans 120,000 square meters and is expected to create 3,000 jobs. In his address, Gamal El-Dien emphasized that the Qantara West Industrial Zone is a symbol of Egypt's national commitment and the SCZONE's developmental vision. With improved infrastructure and a business-friendly environment, the zone has completed the first phase of development, which includes nine projects in sectors such as textiles, garments, medical equipment, sportswear, food industries, and luggage manufacturing. Egypt Today.

Rwandan chili farmer transforms agriculture with expertise, vision, China trade

Herman Uwizeyimana, a pioneering Rwandan chili farmer with a PhD in ecology from the Chinese Academy of Sciences, made a bold decision in 2019 to leave his public service job and embark on a farming career. Despite the challenges of forgoing a regular monthly salary, he saw farming as an opportunity to make a tangible impact on the lives of Rwandans and contribute to national development. Uwizeyimana ventured into chili farming under Fisher Global, a Rwandan agriculture company involved in growing and exporting chili. He views the trade between Rwanda and China as a blessing, and his smile is a testament to his success as one of the farmers exporting their products to the Asian country. Xinhua.

Ethiopian tour guides embrace Chinese language to harness China's outbound tourism market

Tsege Gebremedhin, a seasoned tour guide, is among 60 Ethiopian tourism professionals embracing the

transformative power of language as Ethiopia, a nation rich in cultural heritage and natural beauty, sets its sight on capitalizing on the burgeoning Chinese outbound tourism market. As the East African country seeks to strengthen its people-to-people, economic, and diplomatic ties with China, as part of a national strategic focus to enhance tourism sector's contribution to its economic growth, Ethiopian tour guides like Gebremedhin recognize that mastering the Chinese language is a crucial tool to augment their professional skills and attract Chinese tourists. Xinhua.

Can China's zero-tariff market access boost African economic fortunes?

Thirty-three of Africa's "least-developed countries" (LDCs) are now able to export goods duty free into Chinese markets, but the policy is unlikely to have a significant impact since large commodities such as oil and minerals are already exported to China, according to a new analysis. The zero-tariff policy took effect this month, fulfilling a pledge made by Chinese President Xi Jinping at the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) summit in September. Yahoo News.