



NBTE urges Nigeria to follow China's path to development

The Executive Secretary of the National Board for Technical Education, Prof. Idris Bugaje, has called on the Federal Government to turn to China for Nigeria's technological and industrial advancement. Speaking in Kaduna on Monday at a workshop aimed at developing National Occupational Standards/National Skills Qualifications for 25 occupational areas, Bugaje argued that Western countries have historically hindered Africa's progress due to fears of competition from the continent. In contrast, he noted that China has been a willing and active partner, already making significant investments in Nigeria's railways, roads, and airports. Punch Nigeria Limited.

China's solar products, technology fuel Egypt's renewable energy ambitions: senior executive

China plays a crucial role in Egypt's renewable energy ambitions, said Ghada al-Gendy, executive director of Egypt's Arab Company for Renewable Energy, which owns one of the first Egyptian factories that manufactures solar panels. "Our reliance on Chinese materials is fundamental to our success," explained al-Gendy. "China is the undisputed global leader in solar technology, and their materials offer a combination of quality and affordability that is unmatched." She revealed that her factory had explored other options. "Egypt's solar sector is still developing, meaning the domestic supply chain for high-quality components is limited, and prices for locally-sourced materials are often higher than those from China," she told Xinhua. China Daily.

Rwanda 'welcomes' proposed summit on DR Congo conflict

Rwanda on Sunday welcomed calls for a joint regional summit over the escalating conflict in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC). The M23 armed group, that the UN and several nations claim is backed by Rwanda, have made substantial gains in eastern DRC, taking the major city of Goma and vowing to march on the capital. It is the latest escalation in a mineral-rich region bedevilled by decades of fighting involving dozens of armed groups, and has rattled the continent with regional blocs holding emergency summits over the spiralling tensions. South China Morning Post.

South Africa again asks Taiwan to move office out of Pretoria by March end

The South African government has again asked Taiwan to relocate its representative office out of Pretoria, the diplomatic capital of South Africa, Taiwan's Foreign Ministry said. The South African government last month "again sent a letter to our representative office in South Africa, demanding that our office move out of the capital Pretoria by the end of March this year," the Foreign Ministry in Taipei said in a statement on Sunday night. The statement pointed out that the South African government tried to "downgrade our (Taiwan) office and rename it a trade office" and has asked Taipei to relocate its representative office by the end of March. Anadolu Ajansi.

Chinese Peacekeepers to South Sudan Celebrate Spring Festival with Foreign Friends

The 11th Chinese Peacekeeping Infantry Battalion to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

(UNMISS) staged a gala recently in their barracks to celebrate the Spring Festival, Chinese traditional Lunar New Year. UN staff members and military representatives of other troop-contributing countries were invited to the gala. Chinese peacekeepers performed Chinese traditional folk arts such as Lion Dance, Dragon Dance, Martial Arts, Shadow Puppetry and “Striking Iron Flowers”. The guests had a lot of fun and were captivated by Chinese culture after watching the spectacular performances. China Military.

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