



### [FOCAC lights path to stronger Sino-African partnership](#)

The year 2025 will be remarkable for China-Africa cooperation. Both civilizations will be celebrating the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation. It also marks a year of the 2024 FOCAC Summit declaration on jointly building an all-weather China-Africa community with a shared future for the new era, and the 10-point partnership action plan (2025-27) that was adopted to light the path to China-Africa cooperation and modernization of the Global South. China Daily.

### [Military officers from over 40 African countries visiting China](#)

A delegation of nearly 100 young and mid-career military officers from over 40 African nations is currently in China at the invitation of the Chinese Ministry of National Defence (MND). The group includes representatives from countries such as Kenya, Egypt, Mozambique, and Tanzania. They are on a 10-day visit from May 6 to 15, during which they will explore cities including Beijing, Changsha, and Shaoshan. KBC Digital.

### [China's New Approach Opens Africa to Gulf States' Investment](#)

China has remodelled its African investment strategy, focusing on selective projects, co-financed deals, and debt restructuring, as Gulf states ramp up investments through sovereign-led funding, infrastructure expansion, and diversified acquisitions. Gulf sovereign wealth and private capital are moving swiftly to plug a growing gap in Africa's development scene, as Beijing eases back from its once-dominant role as the continent's chief financier. News Central Television.

### [China expands military supply pact in Africa with new Nigeria deal](#)

Nigeria is set to begin local production of military-grade ammunition under a new partnership with a leading Chinese defense company. The agreement, announced by Minister of State for Defence Bello Matawalle during an official visit to China, includes the construction of production lines for various types of ammunition and servicing of military equipment, marking a significant step toward strengthening Nigeria's defense capabilities. Business Insider.

### [African military officials begin 10-day trip to China](#)

Nearly 100 military officials from 40 African nations began a 10-day visit to China on Monday, according to an official statement. Officers from nations including Egypt, Mozambique, Tanzania, and Kenya, will be touring China through May 15 at the invitation of the country's Defense Ministry. During their stay, the delegation will participate in exchange activities and visit several cities, including Beijing, Changsha and Shaoshan in central Hunan province, the ministry said. Anadolu Ajansi.

### [Mauritian president pledges to strengthen cooperation with China](#)

Mauritian President Dharam Gokhool has expressed his hope to strengthen bilateral exchanges and cooperation with China in areas such as economy, trade, and tourism, leveraging frameworks including

the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation and the Mauritius-China Free Trade Agreement. Gokhool made the remarks on Monday while receiving the credentials of Huang Shifang, the new Chinese ambassador to Mauritius. Xinhua.

### **[China's blueprint for youth innovation: A roadmap for Africa's development](#)**

China's transformation into a global innovation leader offers profound lessons for African youth development. During my immersive two-week experience with the University of Johannesburg China by Train 2025 program, I observed how China's trifecta of entrepreneurship, technological advancement and education reform has created a self-sustaining ecosystem of youth innovation. China Daily.

### **[First South African avocado containers arrive in China](#)**

South African fruit producer ZZ2, exporter Core Fruit and Mission Produce Southern Africa are ideally placed to take advantage of the opening of the Chinese market. That is according to JJ Van der Spuy, commercial manager of Core Fruit. "Our first containers were shipped on the Maersk Freeport and are due to be distributed by Mission Produce Inc's global distribution network and particularly its partner in China, Mr Avocado," he explained. Fruit Net.

### **[China congratulates Togo on successful completion of political transition](#)**

China commends and congratulates Togo on the successful completion of its political transition, a spokesperson for China's foreign ministry said on Tuesday. Spokesperson Lin Jian made the remarks at a regular news briefing when asked to comment on Togo's election of its new president and the first president of its Council of Ministers, which followed a constitutional amendment that came into effect in the West African country in 2024, formally transitioning Togo from a semi-presidential system to a parliamentary system. Xinhua.

### **[PLA Support Base in Djibouti carries out joint training with Djiboutian military](#)**

The Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) Support Base in Djibouti carried out a four-day joint training exercise code-named "Cooperation 2025.04.FAD" with the Djiboutian military from April 27 to 30. It is learned that the joint training is an annual regular military cooperation between China and Djibouti. It is a concrete measure for the two countries to practice the Partnership Action for Common Security and a practical action to implement the Global Security Initiative partnership. Ministry of National Defense of the People's Republic of China.

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