



### **US tariffs impact emerging economies; China-Africa cooperation to strengthen: business leaders**

While the US-provoked trade war may negatively impact emerging economies like China and Africa, it will also catalyze stronger bilateral cooperation in trade, investment and key sectors such as manufacturing, green energy and digital technology, African and Chinese business leaders and experts told the Global Times. Global Times.

### **China's evolving role in Africa's energy transition - Overseas trade and investment in Kenya, Mozambique and South Africa**

Between 2010 and 2021, Chinese financial institutions provided an average of \$18 billion annually in global energy lending, while Chinese firms invested over \$33 billion in the sector and secured \$57 billion in construction contracts per year. Nearly a third of this lending was to African economies. Today, China is the world's leading exporter of clean energy technologies - including solar panels, wind turbines and lithium-ion batteries - with growing exports to emerging markets. ODI Global research.

### **Egypt and China conduct historic joint air drills, marking a strategic shift**

In a resounding display of military synergy and diplomatic recalibration, Egypt and China have concluded on May 6 their first-ever joint air force exercise—Eagles of Civilization 2025—signaling a transformative turn in defense alignments across North Africa. Against the backdrop of Egypt's desert, Chinese fighter jets, helicopters, and transport aircraft soared alongside Egyptian squadrons, marking a milestone in bilateral military cooperation. North Africa Post.

### **'Why Nigeria, others must embrace China's pro-science education model'**

China's experience in building scientific capacity and improving the global rankings of universities offers important examples that can be applied throughout Africa, a Professor of International Economics Relations/China-Africa Studies and Director of Studies, Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA), Prof. Efem Ubi, has argued. He canvassed this position at the 2024 FOCAC Beijing Summit, titled: Jointly Exploring New Paths for China-Nigeria and China-Africa Cooperation organised by the NIIA, Chinese Consulate in Lagos, African-China Economic Magazine and Institute of African Studies, Jinhua, China. The Nation Newspaper.

### **Chinese fighter jets soar over Egypt in first joint exercises**

The sound of Chinese fighter jets roared over the Egyptian pyramids and could echo across the Middle East, as Beijing wrapped up military drills with Cairo aimed at chipping away at U.S. strategic influence in the volatile region. China's military on Monday released videos of its fast jets, helicopters and transport planes flying high above the Sahara and hailing inaugural joint air force exercises with Egypt as "a signal of deepening military ties and shifting alliances". Reuters.

### **China opposes 'bullying' of Egypt after Trump demands Suez Canal be free for US ships**

China on Wednesday opposed "bullying" of Egypt after US President Donald Trump demanded American vessels' free-of-charge passage through the Suez Canal and Panama Canal. Beijing "firmly supports the Egyptian government and people in safeguarding their sovereignty and legitimate rights and interests, and opposes any acts or words of bullying," said Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Lin Jian, according to the state-media Global Times. "Egypt's sovereignty over and management and operation rights of the Suez Canal are indisputable," said Lin. Anadolu Ajansı.

#### **President Ruto signs \$950M deal in China, strengthens Kenya–China ties**

The deal, announced Wednesday, focuses on accelerating key development projects under Kenya's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), including major investments in manufacturing, agriculture, and tourism. Ruto emphasized the longstanding cooperation between the two nations, highlighting the transformative impact of Chinese-funded infrastructure such as the Standard Gauge Railway, Lamu Port, and Nairobi Expressway. Africa News.

#### **Kenya on course to integrate Chinese language into education curriculum**

The Kenyan government has reaffirmed its commitment to integrating the Chinese language into the national education curriculum. Higher Education and Research Secretary Carol Hunja announced on Wednesday that a technical committee has been working diligently to ensure the initiative's success. Hunja made the remarks during the launch of the 24th Chinese Bridge–Chinese Proficiency Competition for college students and the Chinese Ambassador Scholarship Awards at the University of Nairobi. The Star.

#### **China's tea festival showcases poverty-fighting model for Kenyan farmers**

A key tea festival has opened in China's mountainous Yunnan province, offering a close look at development strategies that could hold valuable lessons for Kenya as it seeks to boost the livelihoods of its crucial smallholder tea farmers. Under President Xi Jinping, China has declared the elimination of absolute poverty, and its diverse development models are keenly watched by nations worldwide. The Standard.

#### **Team Kenya departs to China for the World Athletics Relay**

Team Kenya has concluded its residential training camp at the Ulinzi Sports Complex in Nairobi, signaling the final phase of preparations for the World Relays Championships set for May 10-11 in Guangzhou, China. The squad, which began training just two days after the national trials on April 11-12, has been fine-tuning its form with morning runs in Karura Forest and intensive sessions at the military facility. TV 47.

#### **Chinese carmaker Jetour to build assembly plant in Algeria**

Chinese car company Jetour is planning to build a car assembly plant in Algeria, taking advantage of incentives offered to industrial projects. Earlier this week Jetour told AGBI that it is planning to start a manufacturing unit in Dubai as a springboard to supplying the UAE and the rest of the Gulf. Jetour will build the Algeria plant in the north-eastern province of Batna, the provincial authorities said in a statement carried by local media. AGBI.

#### **Moroccan Students Reach Global Tech4Good Finals in China**

Huawei Morocco, in partnership with the Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research, and

Innovation, announced the participation of a Moroccan student team in the global finals of the Tech4Good competition. The event took place in China last month. The Moroccan team began their journey in Essaouira through the Seeds for the Future program. There, they successfully qualified for the Tech4Good finals after competing in a regional round organized by Huawei Northern Africa. Morocco World News.

#### **Mozambican, other African military officials have begun 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 Defence 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. Club of Mozambique.

#### **AI capacity-building event hosted by China and Zambia at UN**

China and Zambia on Tuesday jointly held a side event of the Group of Friends for International Cooperation on AI Capacity-Building at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. Representatives from more than 70 countries, including Russia, France, Brazil, Indonesia, Pakistan and Ethiopia, as well as international organizations such as the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) and the UN Office for Digital and Emerging Technologies, attended the event. CGTN.

#### **Ambassador Abigail Shoniwa on the growing Zimbabwe-China cooperation**

Marking 45 years of diplomatic relations between Zimbabwe and China, Zimbabwe's ambassador to China Abigail Shoniwa reflects on the journey of friendship, trust and growing cooperation. In an exclusive interview with China Africa Talk, she shares insights into how the two nations are building on their strong foundation to pursue broader partnerships in the future. CGTN.