

Cooperation program helps boost food output in Africa

A grassroots agricultural education program pioneered by China is helping smallholder farmers in African nations and some other countries improve food production through hands-on science and international collaboration. Ahead of this year's Youth Day on May 4, the Science and Technology Backyard team from China Agricultural University was awarded the China Youth May Fourth Medal, the nation's top honor for Chinese young people ages 14 to 40. China Daily.

Knowledge seeds quadruple Malawi harvests at Sino-Africa tech backyard

How have seeds of knowledge quadrupled the harvests of smallholder farmers in Malawi? Find the answer at the Sino-Africa Science and Technology Backyard in Quzhou county, Hebei province. More than 90 African students have been trained under the STB program since 2019, collaborating with agronomists and farmers from both countries to discover tailored solutions. China Daily.

China's melodious Pingtan art enthralls Nigerian audience

Scores of Nigerians in the capital of Abuja were held spellbound on Sunday, as a visiting group of performers from the southern part of China entertained and introduced them to Pingtan, a captivating traditional Chinese art form that masterfully blends storytelling with musical instruments while using simple props to enhance delivery. Xinhua.

China, Nigeria To Deepen Diplomatic Relations Through Cultural Exchanges

China and Nigeria are exploring ways to deepen diplomatic relations through cultural exchanges. Director of China Cultural Centre in Nigeria, CCCN, Mr Yang Jianxing, stated this during a Chinese Pingtan Art Performance organised by the Chinese Embassy and CCCN in Abuja, on Sunday. The News Agency of Nigeria, NAN, reports that the Chinese cultural troupe is in Nigeria to promote cultural exchange between the two countries through Pingtan, a traditional Chinese performance style. Aljazirah News Nigeria.

Ethiopia, China Sign MOU to Collaborate on Agricultural Research

The Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research (EIAR) and the Beijing Academy of Agriculture and Forestry Sciences (BAAFS) have signed an MoU to boost agricultural research and biotechnology collaboration. The MoU was signed today at EIAR headquarters by Prof. Nigussie Dechassa, Director General of EIAR, and Wu Baoxin, President of BAAFS. This followed a series of discussions between leaders and experts from both institutions. Ethiopian News Agency.

China bans South African beef imports amid FMD outbreak

China has suspended all beef and related product imports from South Africa following ongoing foot and mouth disease (FMD) outbreaks in Mpumalanga, Gauteng, and KwaZulu-Natal. The Red Meat Industry Services (RMIS) has expressed deep concern over the economic consequences of this ban, stressing the

far-reaching effects on the red meat value chain, including producers, feedlots, abattoirs, and exporters. Zawya.

Kenya aims to quadruple tea exports to China by 2030

Kenya targets to grow its tea exports to China by more than fourfold in the next six years. Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary Mutahi Kagwe on Monday said the goal is to increase Kenya's tea exports to China from 12.42 million kilogrammes in 2024 to 50 million kilogrammes by 2030. He made the announcement in a statement released in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya, after meeting with Zhang Chaobin, chairman of Fuzhou Benny Tea Industry Company Limited. The Eastleigh Voice.

China-Kenya relations show cooperation in changing world

In a world characterised by shifting geopolitical dynamics and economic uncertainties, the enduring relationship between China and Kenya stands as a beacon of dependable, forward-looking and mutually beneficial international cooperation. The recent state visit by President William Ruto to China, at the invitation of President Xi Jinping, has reaffirmed the strategic depth and aspirational future of the Sino-Kenya partnership — an inspiring example of all- weather cooperation for the Global South and the broader international community. The Star.

Amidst global trade wars: Can Ghana embrace China's zero tariff to boost 24-Hour Economy?

The recent introduction of a 10-per cent tariff on all African exports to the United States, a policy enacted by the Trump administration, has led to a substantial decline in the effectiveness of AGOA. Originally established in 2000, AGOA has provided preferential access to the U.S. market, allowing eligible sub-Saharan African countries to export about 2,000 products at zero tariffs. This initiative has been a cornerstone of US-Africa trade policy for a quarter of a century since its inception. Graphic Online.

Zambia: Will the Chambishi Spill Affect Zambia's 'All-Weather Friendship' With China?

Sino Metals' pollution of the Kafue River presents an opportunity to forge a more environmentally sustainable partnership. When a toxic waste storage facility at a copper processing plant near Chambishi burst on 18 February, about 50 million litres of acidic waste polluted Zambia's Kafue River, which serves as a lifeline for the country. The plant operator - Sino Metals Leach Zambia - is a Chinese subsidiary of the state-owned China Nonferrous Metal Mining Group. Much has been written about China's controversial track record regarding environmental protection and cavalier attitude towards work safety. All Africa.

Chinese doctors bring tech, training and trust to Guinea's hospital

The 31st batch of the Chinese medical team in Guinea has brought not only expertise to train local medical professionals but also advanced technologies and equipment to improve healthcare standards. #GLOBALink Xinhua.

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