

# **The role of the China-Africa new energy storage box**





## Overview

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What role does China play in Africa's energy transition?

China is playing an ever important role in Africa's energy transition, mainly via its massive investment and loans on various energy infrastructure projects ranging from extractive activities in oil and gas industries, power generation facilities including both traditional and renewable energy sources, and transmission and distribution networks.

How can China and the European Union support Africa's energy transition?

Addressing Africa's energy challenges and accelerating its transition to a low-carbon, climate-resilient economy are crucial for global climate action. As Africa's key trading and investment partners, China and the European Union can play an important role in supporting the continent's energy transition.

Does China invest in non-hydro renewables in Africa?

Another recent criticism is that China does not have significant investment in non-hydro renewables in Africa compared to other energy sectors , despite it being a global leader of wind and solar energy investment domestically and Africa's huge untapped potential in renewable resources .

How much money does China invest in Africa's energy sector?

According to this database, total Chinese finance to Africa's energy sector between 2000 and 2016 amounted to 30.12 billion USD. There is a dramatic but non-linear growth trend of Chinese activities throughout these years (Figure 1).



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