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# Special Economic Zones in Africa (SEZs): Impact, efforts, and recommendations

Special economic zones (SEZs) have been gradually gaining traction in the developing world over the last two decades. While modern SEZ development started decades ago in Europe and Asia, an increasing number of African countries have been developing SEZ...



# BENIN - The government hands over the site of the Special Economic Zone of Glo-Djigbé

The Government of the Republic of Benin represented by the Director General of APIEx Bénin, Laurent GANGBES, the Prefect of the Atlantic, Jean-Claude CODJIA, the Mayor of Abomey-Calavi, Angelo AHOUANDJINOU proceeded to the official handing over of the site... **READ MORE** 

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### ETHIOPIA - Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed Ali inaugurates Bure Integrated Agro-Industrial Park in Amhara State

With a total investment of over US\$169m, the Bure Integrated Agro-Industrial Park which is located on 260.5 hectares of land in the first phase, is complete with water, electricity and telecom...

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## **INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICAN ECONOMIC ZONES**



#### KENYA - Kenya's export processing zones sales hit 726 mln USD in 2020

Sales from Kenya's export processing zones have hit 80 billion shillings (about 726 million U.S. dollars) in 2020. Benjamin Chesang, manager for research, Export Processing Zones Authority- Kenya (EPZA) said that in #Nairobi that due to the ongoing COVID-19...



## RWANDA - Multi-billion electric cable factory to be launched in Nyanza District

Construction works on a Rwf5 billion electric cable factory in Nyanza District, Southern Province have been completed with the plant set to begin operations next month.The first \$6 million cable plant by Alpha Cables started to manufacture cables...

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## KENYA - The government projects increased flow of investors to the Naivasha Special Economic Zone with completion of the MGR rehabilitation

According to Betty Maina, Industrialization, Trade and Enterprise Development CS : "The importance of infrastructure in spurring economic development cannot be understated...

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#### SOUTH AFRICA - Ford injects R16bn into Tshwane Automotive Special Economic Zone

Ford MotorCompany SA has made an investment of \$1.05 billion (R15.8 billion) in theTshwane Automotive Special Economic Zone (TASEZ) to develop new advanced technologies and systems, modernise and grow the Ford Silverton Assembly Plant...





## **VIDEO** OF THE WEEK

#### Hope for trade as East Africa exports rebound from lockdowns

External trade in East Africa saw a sharp decline at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, exports defied the effects of the pandemic, surpassing 2019 levels by the third quarter of 2020. For more on trade performance in the region, CNBC Africa spoke to Andrew Mold, Chief of Regional Integration & AfCFTA Cluster at UNECA...



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