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On June 23, 2021, Africa Economic Zones Organization organized a side session scheduled during World Free Zones Organization AICE 2021 under the theme : "Special Economic Zones and Intra-African Trade: A Path to Economic Diversification and Inclusion". It was an excellent spectrum of contribution and perspectives, providing food for thought.

World FZO AICE 2021 platform remains open until 10th July.

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CAMEROON - A special economic zone in the making in Bertoua

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EGYPT - Agreement for Polish industrial zone in Ain Sokhna

Egypt signed a framework agreement between the Suez Canal Economic Zone (SCEZ) and its Polish counterpart in the Katowice region to establish a Polish industrial zone in Ain Sokhna. The Polish economic zone in Ain Sokhna is planned with an area of 400,000...

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GABON - A2nd phase of the Nkok special economic zone

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UGANDA - Authority attracts private players

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TOGO - The Adétikopé Industrial Platform Inauguration

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ARTICLE OF THE WEEK



Foreign direct investment (FDI) is key to free trade zone development

The synergy between ports and economic zones would definitely contribute to reduced cost of trading, optimised logistics flows, and streamlined trade facilitation procedures but this will not be achieved without a solid partnership, continuous corporations, and a robust collaboration between ports and economic zones, involving all stakeholders.

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VIDEO OF THE WEEK

What are the future expectations for Global value chain and how can it be facilitated by Free Zone?

Watch the testimonial of H.E. Wamkele Mene, Secretary General of AfCFTA Secretariat during the AICE 2021. He highlighted the contribution of Economic Zones to country's industrialization by giving the example of Gabon and Morocco.



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