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We are happy to launch this newsletter as well as a rich calendar of activities for our community."

- Francesca Spigarelli, Director China Center

Scientific Articles

Transformation of Solid Waste Management in China: Moving towards Sustainability through Digitalization-Based Circular Economy

Written by Tonni Agustiono Kurniawan, Xue Liang, Elizabeth O'Callaghan, Huihwang Goh, Mohd Hafiz

The article discusses China's growing municipal solid waste (MSW) over-generation problem, which poses serious risks to the environment and public health. It evaluates the recent progress of MSW management in China and suggests that digitalization is a driving force for the country to move towards low-carbon development strategies within the framework of a circular economy. Through digitalization, the waste sector has promoted the 3Rs of waste before waste disposal in landfills, leading to efficient cooperation between the government and private sector, increased job opportunities, and conservation of resources.

Boosting economic growth through energy in Africa: the role of Chinese investment and institutional quality

Written by Abdulrasheed Zakari & Irfan Khan, published online on 18/08/2021

The article discusses the impact of Chinese investment in Africa and the allegations that it is detrimental to the continent's development. The study examines the effect of institutional quality and Chinese investment on energy consumption (EC) and its impact on economic growth in 21 sub-Saharan African countries. Using a panel corrected standard error econometric procedure, the study finds that energy consumption promotes economic growth, and institutional quality and Chinese investment in Africa are the underlying factors for this positive effect. The results expand the economic growth literature and suggest the importance of policymakers paying attention to bilateral trade and investment with China in Africa.

News from China



China to resume issuing all types of visas for foreigners

Written by Qian Zhou, posted by China Briefing on 14/03/2023

China has announced that it will resume issuing all types of visas for foreigners, including tourism visas, port visas, and multiple visa-exemption policies, starting from March 15, 2023. The move is the latest in a series of steps to reopen the country's border, following a shift from the "zero-COVID" policy to "living with COVID". The visa relaxation includes the resumption of valid multi-year multiple entry visas and the issuance of visas for tourism and medical treatment. Inbound travelers are advised to consult with their local

China embassies or consulates for more detailed requirements and procedures.

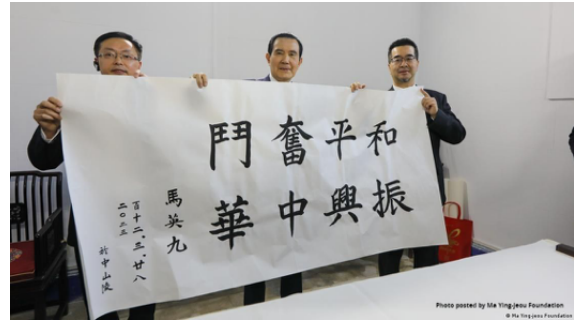
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Taiwan-China: What's behind ex-leader Ma Ying-jeou's visit?

Written by William Yang, posted by DW on 29/03/2023

Ma Ying-jeou, former president of Taiwan, has become the first leader from the island to visit mainland China since the Chinese Civil War ended in 1949. Ma has led a delegation of students and academics with him, which he claims aims to “improve the cross-strait atmosphere” by fostering enthusiasm and interaction between young people. The visit by Ma, whose 2008-2016 presidency prioritised closer ties between Beijing and Taipei, carries political implications in Taiwan, and comes with the Kuomintang party (KMT) attempting to balance political goals with the desire to show meaningful relations with China.

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Major Botticelli showcase to set records

Written by Zhang Kun, posted by China Daily on 24/03/2023

An exhibition entitled “Botticelli and the Renaissance” will take place at the Bund One Art Museum in Shanghai from April 28 to August 27. The exhibition will display 10 original paintings by Sandro Botticelli and 38 paintings by his

contemporaries from the Uffizi Galleries collection in Italy. Most of the artworks will be shown to the public in China for the first time. This exhibition is viewed as an essential initiative to promote cultural exchange between China and Italy, with the two parties set to host 10 exhibitions at the Bund One Art Museum within five years.

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