



CENTER FOR CHINA-AFRICA DISCOURSE STUDIES



Executive Summary

The Center for China-Africa Discourse Studies (CECADS) is a research organization committed to advancing practical ideas that foster positive China-Africa relations, with a particular emphasis on language, culture, and information. CECADS aims to enhance a deeper understanding of how language and culture influence the information shared between China and Africa, and how this information can either strengthen or disrupt the relationship. The ultimate goal of CECADS is to shape the future discourse around China-Africa relations and ensure that it promotes a positive outlook.

CECADS is driven by the belief that strategic and effective communication is essential for building strong bilateral partnerships. Therefore, by analyzing the interplay between language, culture, and information, we seek to uncover the nuances and subtleties that shape the narrative between China and Africa. By doing so, we aim to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of each respective culture while identifying areas for collaboration, mutual understanding, and growth.

The primary objective of CECADS is to examine the role of language and culture in influencing information dissemination, reception, and comprehension. By studying the language used in various platforms, such as media, academia, and diplomatic channels, CECADS endeavors to understand how these linguistic choices shape public perceptions, and influence policy decisions and people-to-people relations. Additionally, CECADS examines how cultural differences may impact the interpretation and understanding of information in China-Africa relations.

At CECADS, we recognize the transformative power of language in shaping public opinion and policy outcomes. Through our research and knowledge-sharing initiatives, CECADS endeavors to provide evidence-based recommendations and practical solutions to enhance China-Africa relations in this regard. Moreover, by promoting dialogue and understanding, we aim to bridge cultural gaps and facilitate effective communication between stakeholders from both regions.

Our ultimate goal at CECADS is to positively influence the discourse surrounding China-Africa relations. By utilizing our research findings, we seek to contribute to a more balanced narrative that promotes mutual respect, win-win cooperation and shared prosperity. Through our workshops, conferences, and publications, we seek to engage policymakers, scholars, and the general public to foster a deeper understanding of the complexities of this critical international relationship.

In conclusion, CECADS is dedicated to advancing practical ideas that promote positive China-Africa relations, with a focus on language, culture, and information. Through its research, CECADS aims to shape the future discourse surrounding this relationship, ensuring that it fosters understanding, cooperation, and positive outcomes for China, Africa, and the world.



VISION



Our vision is to foster a balanced and nuanced discourse surrounding China-Africa relations that promotes mutual respect, win-win cooperation, and shared prosperity.

MISSION



Our mission is to facilitate an exploration of how language and culture impact information, and the potential effect of the impact on relationships. Through this, we aim to promote discourses that foster equality and mutual benefit for and between China and Africa in the areas of diplomacy, culture, trade, and people-to-people cooperation.

CORE VALUES



Non-partisanship; Strategic Communication; Integrity; Confidentiality; Professionalism; Scholarship

To achieve our objectives, we have established various **functions** that contribute to our mission:

Activity	Function
<i>Establishment of Discourse Study Centers in Collaboration with Universities</i>	We partner with universities to establish China-Africa discourse study centers that foster research, knowledge exchange, and academic collaboration. These centers serve as hubs for intellectual discourse and promote interdisciplinary dialogue.
<i>Diplomatic Discourse Translation, Analysis, and Dissemination</i>	Our team specializes in translating, analyzing, and disseminating diplomatic discourse. Through rigorous analysis and skills in cross-cultural relations, we provide valuable insights and recommendations about policy relevance and diplomatic strategies.
<i>Communication Analysis and Recommendations</i>	We conduct in-depth communication analysis, examining the implications and outcomes of various communication approaches.
<i>Publications and Reports</i>	We produce high-quality publications and reports that offer comprehensive coverage of all forms of discourse between China and Africa and its implications.
<i>Academic & Cultural Exchange Programs</i>	We actively promote academic and cultural exchange programs between countries, fostering mutual understanding and knowledge sharing. Through these programs, we facilitate intellectual growth and cultural enrichment, contributing to a more interconnected and harmonious world.
<i>Public Seminars and Conferences Organization</i>	We organize public seminars and conferences, bringing together experts, scholars, policymakers, and stakeholders to engage in meaningful dialogue. These events serve as platforms for critical discussions, providing opportunities to exchange ideas, challenge assumptions, and seek innovative solutions.
<i>Media Engagement</i>	We collaborate with media outlets to amplify the dissemination of our research findings and promote a positive narrative. Through strategic engagement, we aim to enhance public awareness, understanding, and participation in key discourse.
<i>Database and Resource Center</i>	We seek to maintain an extensive database and resource center, housing a wealth of information and research on various aspects of China-Africa discourse. This centralized repository will serve as a valuable resource for scholars, policymakers, researchers, and the general public.

PARTNERSHIP



We welcome collaboration from diverse individuals, organizations, and institutions. Specifically, we seek partnerships with academic institutions for academic conferences, lectures, exchange programs, and the establishment of discourse study centers. We also collaborate with diplomatic missions, ministries, and relevant governmental bodies to ensure thorough briefings on diplomatic and other discourses and their policy relevance.

If you have a project or are interested in exploring opportunities for collaboration, we encourage you to reach out to us via email at info@cecads.org or partnership@cecads.org Or visit our website at www.cecads.org. We look forward to working together to achieve our shared objectives.


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