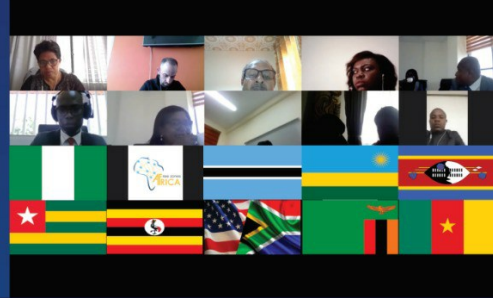




A great success for AFZO's Webinar - Participants representing 20 countries, followed AFZO's Webinar session on the theme " FDI within Economic Zones and Free Zones as an instrument for Economic Diversification in Africa ". Special thanks to Mr Charles Ughele for his outstanding presentation !

## A SUCCESSFUL WEBINAR !



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- Interactive and comprehensive Q&A session

## AFRICAN FREE ZONES LATEST NEWS



### [Promise held and important announcements during the first edition of the Industrial zones' promotion days](#)

Ivory Coast - Success of the 1st edition of the IZs' promotion days, organized by the #FODI and the AGEDI in Abidjan, with the objective of promoting existing IZs and mobilizing partners [Read more ...](#)



### [Kisumu's Sh.3 bln SEZ at Ombeyi, Muhoroni, in the starting blocks](#)

Kenya - Construction works are set to begin immediately on the 600 acre piece of land availed to the SEZ at Ombeyi. The taskforce formed to implement the Kisumu IDP whose components [Read more ...](#)



### [9 Industrial parks in 4 regions are at various stages of implementation.](#)

Ghana - Government is supporting private sector investments in establishing at least one industrial park for each region. So far, nine parks in four regions are at various stages of implementation, including the Tema EPZ [Read more ...](#)

## INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICAN FREE ZONES



### [The 34MW Ngonye solar PV plant located in LS-MFEZ has commenced operations](#)

Zambia - The 34MW Ngonye solar photovoltaic plant, located in Lusaka South Multi Facility Economic Zone, has commenced operations. Developed by Enen Green Power, [Read more ...](#)



### [66 industrial projects hosted at the Tanger Med Industrial Platform in 2018](#)

Morocco - The Tanger Med Industrial Platform welcomed 66 new industrial projects in 2018, representing MAD6.3 bln of private investments and 6,217 new jobs. Among these projects, those of the South Korean Hands, Furukawa Electric through its subsidiary OFS, the German PRETTL or the Chinese ZTT. The export turnover from the Tanger Med platform [Read more ...](#)



### [Rwanda partners with Chinese Pink Mango C&D to set up garment factory at Kigali SEZ](#)

Rwanda - Rwanda Development Board (RDB) signed an agreement with Chinese firm Pink Mango C&D to establish a modern garment factory at the Kigali SEZ. It's expected to provide 7,500 jobs for Rwandans by the fifth year and create cumulative export earnings of \$20 mln [Read more ...](#)

## INVESTMENTS IN AFRICAN FREE ZONES



### [Ethiopia's Industrial Parks generate \\$103 million export income in 9 months](#)

Ethiopia - The government has secured \$103 million export earnings from products manufactured in IPs over the first 9 months of its current FY. The performance has increased by 40% [Read more ...](#)



### [Construction of Naivasha special economic zone begin](#)

Kenya - The government has released Sh.700m for the provision of water at the Special Economic Zone (SEZ) that will host an industrial park and dry port at Mai-Mahiu area of Naivasha. Drilling of water at the multi-billion SEZ [Read more ...](#)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



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Best of Video and special moments of the AFZO Webinar held on May 8, 2019.

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