

V4 CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUSTAINABLE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT: INNOVATIONS, INVESTMENTS, GREEN SOLUTIONS

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AFRICA-POLICIES, AFRICA & PRAGMATIC FOREIGN POLICY



- In the bipolar world intensive ties: ideological-political, with a substantial focus on technological-economic cooperation
- Under Moscow's umbrella, but individually, too (to various degrees)
- After the collapse of the USSR, regime changes across the bloc: Africa (too) basically disappeared from the foreign policy maps
- Even the new Russian foreign policy dealt with Africa in a marginal way (slowing down, less important)
- After EU accession, and since the 2010s Africa is again higher on the agenda across the post-Soviet and post-Communist countries
- Global openings, opening toward the East & the South and the like demonstrate a more pragmatic chapter of (re)engagement with Africa



WHAT IS RUSSIA DOING?

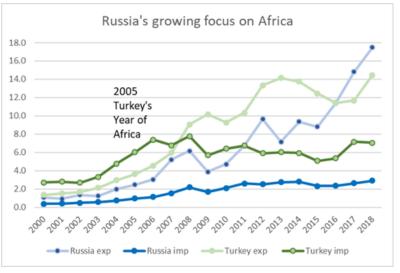






SINCE 2011: "BACK TO AFRICA"

- Business Forum
 Russia–Africa, but at
 the beginning of the
 2010s, still not a
 focussed, coherent
 policy
- Aim is to revitalize linkages
- Intensifying trade
- BRICS



Source: https://www.howwemadeitinafrica.com/thoughts-on-russias-economic-ties-with-africa/63383/

CONTINENTAL OVERVIEW

GAMBIA

GUINEA

BISSAU GUINEA RusAl

SIERRA LEON

TRADE AND ECONOMIC RELATIONS OF RUSSIA AND AFRICAN STATES

Major Russian companies in Africa Renaissance ALROSA Capital Banking 7E RENOVA RUSAL **EVRAZ** NORILSK NICKEL Banking Conglomerate Gazprom Gazprom Russian Railways Russian Railways MOROCCO **ALGERIA** Lukoil LIBYA **EGYPT** SENEGAL ERITREA CHAD

CENTRAL AF, REP.

DJIBOUTI

SOMALIA

UGANDA

BURUNDI

RenCap

ETHIOPIA



GABON

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Renova Norilsk Nickel

BENIN

CAMEROON

EQ. GUINEA

GHANA

CÔTE D'IVOIRE _ Lukoil

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возможности СТРАНЫ ВСЯ АФРИКА RUSSIA OUTLOOK

поиск

Информационный портал Координационного комитета по экономическому сотрудничеству со странами Африки к югу от Сахары

САН-ТОМЕ И ПРИНСИПИ СЕЙШЕЛЫ коморы МАДАГАСКАР * Размер шрифта в названиях государств исключает любое СВАЗИЛЭНД иное значение, кроме **МАВРИКИЙ**

ОТ САХАРЫ

Территория	24,3 млн. км2 770 млн. чел.	
Население		



Отрасли

16%
32%
52%
31%

Экспорт

Минеральное сырье	16%	
Энергетическое сырье	32%	
Сельхоз. товары	52%	
Остальное	31%	

НОВОСТИ САЙТА

Обучающее пособие для экспортеров Минэкономразвития России разработало методическое пособие для начинающих экспортеров. В пособии дана ... Подробнее » O 11.12.2014 14:28

Новости Мероприятия Аналитика

KOPOTKO:

Третий Российско-Маврикийский бизнесфорум Москва, Националь, 21.10.2019 — 21.10.2019

При поддержке АфроКома 21 октября 2019 г. состоится 3-й Российско-Маврикийский бизнесфорум. Время:... Подробнее »

МАВРИКИЙ 07.10.2019 23:01



В.Путин: Хорошо зарекомендовала себя работа координационного комитета по экономическому сотрудничеству со странами Африки

Выступление Президента Российской Федерации Владимира Путина на пленарном заседании



декоративного.

ПРОЕКТЫ И ТЕНДЕРЫ

РОССИЙСКИЙ ЭКСПОРТ

CZECH REPUBLIC

- 12 embassies: 8 in SSA
- July 2015: Concept of the Czech Republic's Foreign Policy
- 2017: "Strategy for the Relations between the Czech Republic and the States of Sub-Saharan Africa" government document
- Focus: economic diplomacy, international development assistance, academic and cultural cooperation, public diplomacy, highlevel visits on a regular basis



SLOVAKIA

- 6 embassies: 4 in SSA
- No separate Africa-strategy, Africa appears with regard to tasks deriving from EU and NATO memberships and roles
- SlovakAid, however, is a wellexperienced international development-focused government agency, managing projects in Kenya e.g. (Eldoret)
- Focus: developing economic relations, encouraging investments



POLAND

- 11 embassies: 7 in SSA
- No separate Africa-strategy, but since 2013: "Go Africa" project, together with the Poland–Africa Congress high-level summits
- Foreign policy strategy between 2017–21 looks at Africa from economic and security perspectives
- Focus: economic diplomacy, trade, high-level visits, technology-transfer (e.g. alternative energy solutions)



HUNGARY

- 11 embassies: 6 in SSA
- April 4, 2019: separate government Africa-strategy
- Since 2015: Southern Opening Policy
- Priort to that, in 2011: Global Opening, in which finally, Africa was put back to the foreign policy map
- Focus: economic diplomacy, exportoriented trade diplomacy, international development assistance (Hungary Helps), education (Stipendium Hungaricum), cultural and technological cooperation, even triangular projects

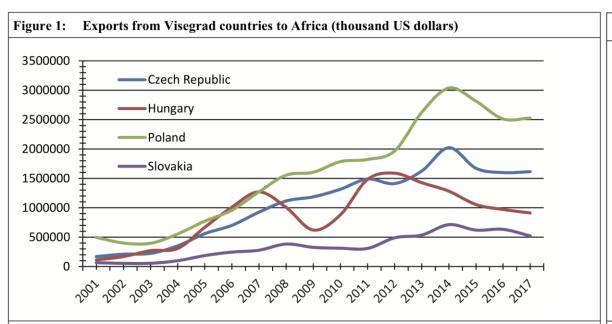


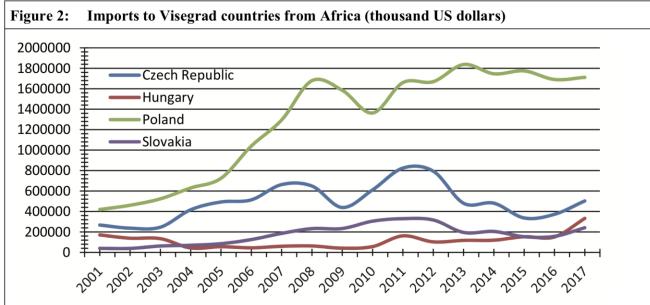
V4 HON.CONSULAR AND CONSULAR PRESENCE IN SSA

Czech Republic (23)	Poland (15)	Hungary (19)	Slovakia (12)
Angola - Luanda, Consulate	Benin - Cotonou, Consulate	Botswana - Gaborone, Consulate	Cameroon - Yaounde, Consulate
Botswana - Gaborone, Consulate	Cameroon - Yaounde, Consulate	Cameroon - Douala, Consulate	Guinea - Conakry, Consulate
Burkina Faso - Ouagadougou, Consulate	Eritrea - Asmara, Consulate	Cape Verde - Praia, Consulate	Kenya - Mombasa, Consulate
Cameroon - Douala, Consulate	Gabon - Libreville, Consulate	Djibouti - Djibouti Ville, Consulate	Malawi - Blantyre, Consulate
Cape Verde - Praia, Consulate	Ghana - Accra, Consulate	Guinea - Conakry, Consulate	Nigeria - Port Harcourt, Consulate
Congo (Democratic Republic) - Kinshasa, Consulate	Kenya - Mombasa, Consulate	Kenya - Mombasa, Consulate	Senegal - Dakar, Consulate
Congo (Republic) - Brazzaville, Consulate	Madagascar - Antananarivo, Consulate	Mali - Bamako, Consulate	Seychelles - Victoria, Consulate
Djibouti - Djibouti Ville, Consulate General	Mauritania - Nouakchott, Consulate	Mauritius - Port Louis, Consulate	South Africa - Cape Town, Consulate
Gambia - Banjul, Consulate	Mozambique - Maputo, Consulate	Namibia - Windhoek, Consulate	Sudan - Khartoum, Consulate General
Guinea - Conakry, Consulate	Rwanda - Kigali, Consulate	Nigeria - Kaduna, Consulate	Togo - Lomé, Consulate
Malawi - Lilongwe, Consulate	South Africa - Durban, Consulate	Nigeria - Lagos, Consulate	Uganda - Kampala, Consulate
Mali - Bamako, Consulate	Sudan - Khartoum, Consulate	Senegal - Dakar, Consulate General	Zambia - Lusaka, Consulate
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Mauritius - Port Louis, Consulate	Zambia - Lusaka, Consulate	South Africa - Cape Town, Consulate	
Mozambique - Maputo, Consulate	Zimbabwe - Harare, Consulate	South Africa - Durban, Consulate	
Namibia - Windhoek, Consulate		Sudan - Khartoum, Consulate	
Niger - Niamey, Consulate		Tanzania - Dar-es-Salaam, Consulate	
Nigeria - Abuja, Consulate		Uganda - Kampala, Consulate	
Rwanda - Kigali, Consulate		Zambia - Lusaka, Consulate	
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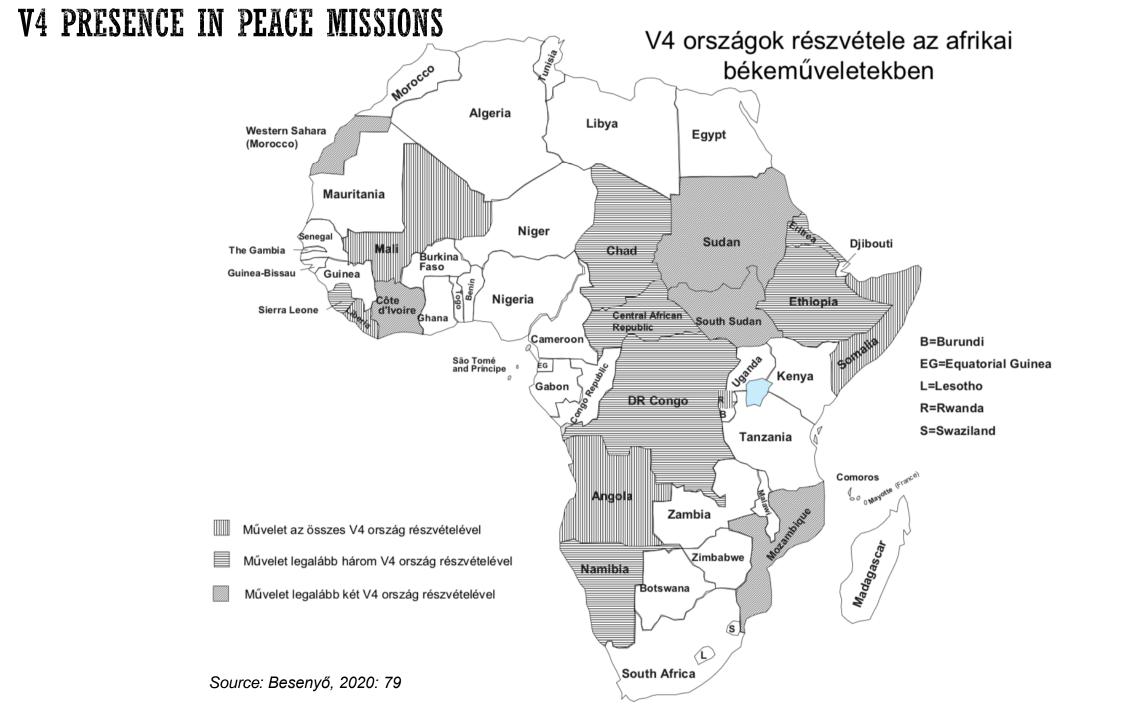
V4-AFRICA TRADE BETWEEN 2001-2017





Source: Chmiel, 2018: 12







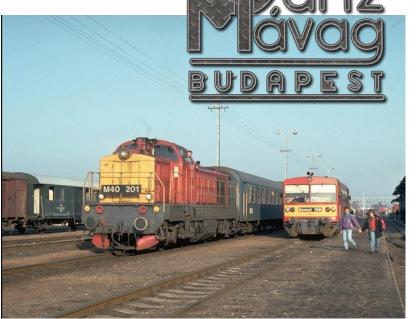
CAN NOSTALGIA HELP?



















AND THE SUCCESSFUL AFRICANS LIVING ACROSS CEECS?



















V4 CONTRIBUTIONS TO SUSTAINABLE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT — EXAMPLES

- COP19/CMP9
 UNITED NATIONS
 CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE
 WARSAW 2013
- Polish leading role in climate change debate: the Warsaw conference in November 2013 in collaboration with the AfDB
- Czech electrification project in Zambia (villages) with solar energy in the early 2000s – part of Czech development aid assistance to SSA
- Pod sluncem tma (Solar eclipse), 2011 documentary
- Hungary's governmental Africa Strategy of 2019 identifying water-related and infrastructure-related development aid assistance projects – focus on water management systems
- Kobo-Girana Valley, Ethiopia, 2007–12: VIKUV drilling 3 water wells
- SlovakAid: development education, dealing with forest ecosystem,

solar energy, food security











SLOVAK-HUNGARIAN-KENYAN COOPERATION



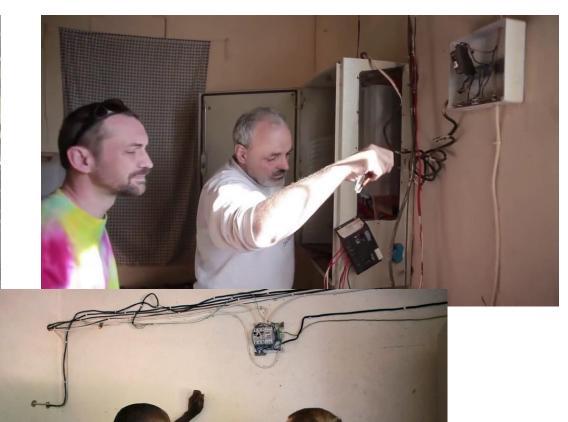


End of 2000s, beginning of 2010s



CZECH ELECTRIFICATION IN ZAMBIA







ANY VISEGRAD JOINT EFFORT?

- Kopinski (2012): "Development cooperation policy in the V4 is largely focused on the close neighbourhood and current political and business stakes triumph over the 'needs and merits' logic of aid allocation. [...] the official message coming from the governments significantly diverges from reality."
- Chmiel (2018): "taking into account the current stance of the Visegrad countries on questions related to the migration crisis in the EU arena, the V4 cooperation does not necessarily appear as a possible vehicle for the promotion of sustainable development in Africa."
- All agree about stabilizing Africa at home focus on how to manage the 'migration crisis' (first and foremost) and the rest is seemingly ad hoc...
- Of course, all V4 subscribe for the SDGs and foster policies, projects accordingly.





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