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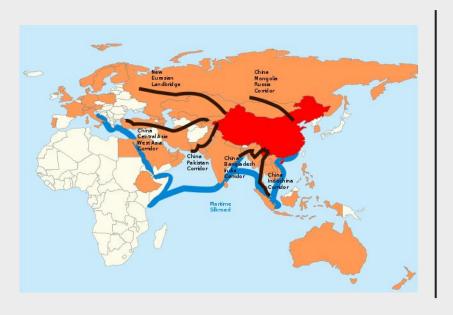
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- Socio Economic landscape in Middle East & Africa
- Logistics development and connections to China
- Key to success in MEA region



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Socio-Economic Landscape

GCC + Africa Developments benefiting China

- KSA : Core cultural changes in next 3-5 years
- UAE as a hub for Africa development
- QATAR : Political uncertainties

- Kuwait : Bi Lateral discussions on Security with China
- Oman : Transport corridor and Etihad rail
- Africa : China's political influence in East Africa
- China's investments in Pakistan (Gwadar Port and Free zone) for oil from Middle East



Logistics Developments and connections to China

Middle East

- 1. China's focus on Africa and GCC development via Dubai as a hub for Logistics and finance
 - 1. Belt & Road station in Dubai for YIWU market

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- 2. 22% in crease in DP World activities for Africa and 90% of the goods are Chinese products
- 2. China's direct and indirect focus on Saudi market opportunities
 - 1. Automotive industry : Chinese brands are picking up sales.
 - 2. Renewable energy industry and logistics
 - 3. Infrastructure development
- 3. Chinese e-commerce companies penetrating Middle East and African markets via Dubai as a hub

Africa

- 1. Chinese manufacturing in Ethiopia is picking up : High tech & Electronics
- 2. Chinese supplies to the garment manufacturing industry in East Africa and Sub Sahara
- 3. Infrastructure development in Kenya, Tanzania and Zimbabwe are examples
- 4. African exports of natural resources from central Africa back to China has been a challenge



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Keys to success ...

- Understanding the culture of each region
 - Eg: Ecommerce last mile delivery patterns
- Building a sustainable supply chain to these regions
 - Eg: Cost of material supply chain to East Africa for garment manufacturing industry
- Self disciplined quality and compliance of products and services
 - Eg : Certificate of Conformity (CoC)
 - Eg: MSDS for electronics ex China
 - Eg : Ethical destruction of Chinese ecommerce returns



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Thank you

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