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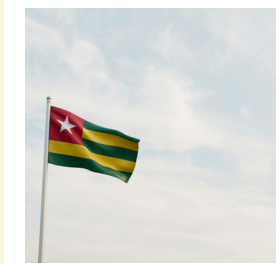
Editorial

A spring defined by the strengthening of the Togo-EU partnership.

A series of diplomatic and political events highlighted the joint commitment of both actors to deepen their relationship. Faure Gnassingbé, president of the Council of Ministers of the Togolese Republic, took advantage of the Deputy Prime Minister of Slovenia's visit in Lomé early April, as well as a discussion with António Costa, president of the European Council, in Abidjan late May, in order to reassert the EU-Togo relationship's value.

The holding of the 3rd Togo-EU Partnership Dialogue and the 3rd EU-AU Ministerial Meeting in Brussels also reflected both the recognition of Togo's strategic role in the West African sub-region and the EU's desire to rely on committed and stable partners.

Ultimately, the celebration of Europe Day in Lomé this 9th of May highlighted two intense months of diplomacy, reflecting a convergence of interests and a clear will to build a lasting partnership.



Official visit of the Deputy Prime Minister Tanja Fajon in Togo in the name of the EU

As part of the strengthening of the partnership between the EU and Togo, the deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of Slovenia, Tanja FAJON, carried out **an official visit to Togo on behalf of the EU the 8th and 9th of April 2025.**

Tanja FAJON additionally visited EU supported projects as well as significant infrastructures initiatives, such as the RN2 national road, a strategic axis of the Abidjan-Lagos corridor, and Lomé's Fourth Lake.

The deputy Prime Minister held talks with President Faure GNASSINGBE then Prime Minister Victoire DOGBE to discuss several key topics: safety, sustainable agriculture, renewable energy and digital advancements.



3rd session of the Togo-EU partnership Dialogue

The EU and Togo held **on the 25th of April 2025 in Lomé, the third session of their partnership dialogue**, annual event organised as part of a common agreement between the Organisation of African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Union.

Both parties, respectively represented by Prof. Robert DUSSEY, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and African Integration of Togo and M. Gwilym CERI JONES, EU Ambassador to the Togolese Republic, held discussions on recent geopolitical trends and their security cooperation.

Economic relations between the EU and Togo have additionally been discussed, particularly concerning bilateral trade, investments, and key areas of cooperation.





3rd European Union African Union Ministerial Meeting in Brussels

The EU and African Union Foreign Affairs Ministers met in Brussels on the 21st of May 2025 as part of the 3rd Ministerial Meeting since the EU-AU Summit in February 2022.

This meeting was co-chaired by Kaja KALLAS, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, as well as Tete ANTONIO, Angolan Minister of Foreign Affairs and Chair of the AU Executive Council. Togo was represented by Prof. Robert DUSSEY, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Cooperation and African Integration. The discussions mainly focused on peace, security and governance, multilateralism, prosperity, citizens, migrations, and mobility. This meeting prepares the way for the 7th AU-EU Summit, which will be held in Africa at the end of the year.

Europe Day in Lomé the 9th of May

Europe Day has been celebrated in Lomé on the 9th of May in the presence of the EU Ambassador to Togo, Gwilym CERI JONES, alongside representatives of the Togolese government, the diplomatic corps, development partners, as well as numerous names from civil society, the economic, academic, and cultural sectors.

Organised in partnership with the European Chamber of Commerce in Togo (EUROCHAM), this reunion was the occasion to remind that the EU is the number one commercial partner, leading investor and main provider of development aid across the African continent.



Meeting in Abidjan between the President of the Council, Faure GNASSINGBE and the President of the European Council, António COSTA.



On the 1st of July 2025, Faure Gnassingbé, president of the Council and appointed mediator by the African Union for the current crisis in the Democratic Republic of Congo, held a meeting with Johan Borgstam, special representative of the EU for the Great Lakes region. During this meeting, M. Borgstam reaffirmed the UE's support for Togo's mediation efforts aimed at resolving this conflict.



Since his appointment in April 2025, Faure Gnassingbé has been multiplying consultations with all the stakeholders in order to promote dialogue and to reach a sustainable and lasting solution.



Meeting in Abidjan between the President of the Council, Faure GNASSINGBE and the President of the European Council, António COSTA.

On the sidelines of the presentation of the 2024 Félix Houphouët-Boigny-UNESCO Peace Prize in Abidjan, the President of the Council, Faure GNASSINGBE, held talks with the President of the European Council, António COSTA.

This meeting allowed both leaders to discuss the state of the partnership between the European Union and Togo. António COSTA reaffirmed the EU's commitment to support Togo in achieving its development goals.

The talks also focused on peace and security challenges in Africa, particularly the situation in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. President Faure GNASSINGBE presented Togo's mediation efforts in this crisis-

affected region, and recalled the EU's crucial role in providing humanitarian, diplomatic, and security support across the African continent.

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