

Abbreviations

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| ABV | alcohol by volume |
| AGEE | Guinean Environmental Assessment Agency |
| AI | artificial intelligence |
| ANEEL | Agência Nacional de Energia Elétrica/National Electric Energy Agency |
| ASEAN | Association of Southeast Asian Nations |
| ATC | Africa Tech Challenge |
| AVIC | China Aviation Industry Corporation |
| BCE | Before Common Era |
| BIT | bilateral investment treaty |
| BMTE | Belo Monte Transmissora de Energia |
| BNDES | Banco Nacional de Desenvolvimento Econômico e Social/ Brazil's Development Bank |
| BOI | Board of Investment |
| BRI | Belt and Road Initiative |
| BVI | British Virgin Islands |
| CADE | Conselho Administrativo de Defesa Econômica/ Administrative Council for Economic Defense |
| CCCC | China Communication Construction Company |
| CCP | Chinese Communist Party |
| CCU | Compañía de las Cervecerías Unidas |
| CEA | Central Environmental Authority |
| CEO | Chief Executive Officer |
| CFIUS | Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States |
| CFO | Chief Financial Officer |
| CFPA | China Foundation for Poverty Alleviation |
| CHNG | China Huaneng Group |
| CIB | Corporate and Investment Banking |
| CIECC | China International Engineering Consulting Corporation |
| CLA | Casino License Agreement |
| CNMI | Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands |
| COIP | Chinese Overseas Industrial Park |
| CPC | Colombo Port City |

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| CPCEC | Colombo Port City Economic Commission |
| CPEP | Colombo Port Expansion Project |
| CPFL | Companhia Paulista de Força e Luz |
| CPSES | Comités Préfectoraux de Suivi Environnemental et Social/ Prefectural Committee for Environmental and Social Monitoring |
| CSO | civil society organization |
| CSPC | China State Power Corporation |
| CSR | corporate social responsibility |
| CTAE | Comité Technique d'Analyse Environnementale/Technical Committee for Analysis and Assessment |
| CTEA | Center for Transnational Environmental Accountability |
| DC | direct current |
| DRAM | dynamic random-access memory |
| DSSI | Debt Service Suspension Initiative |
| EAR | Export Administration Regulations |
| EHS | environmental, health and safety |
| EIA | Environmental Impact Assessment |
| EPC | engineering, procurement, and construction |
| EPE | Empresa de Pesquisa Energética/Energy Research Office |
| ESG | environmental, social and governance |
| ESIA | Environmental and Social Impact Assessment |
| ESMP | Environmental and Social Management Plan |
| FBI | Federal Bureau of Investigation |
| FDI | foreign direct investment |
| FEZ | free economic zone |
| FOB | free on board |
| FOCAC | Forum on China-Africa Cooperation |
| FTA | free trade agreement |
| FTZ | free trade zone |
| GCC | Gulf Cooperation Council |
| GDP | gross domestic product |
| GHG | greenhouse gas |
| GOSL | Government of Sri Lanka |
| HVDC | high-voltage direct current |
| IC | integrated circuit |
| ICBC | Industrial and Commercial Bank of China |
| ICBCS | ICBC Standard Bank Plc |
| ICCPR | International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights |
| ICESCR | International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights |
| ICP | internet content providers |
| ICSID | International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes |
| ICT | information and communication technology |

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| IEEPA | International Emergency Economic Powers Act |
| IFC | International Finance Corporation |
| IMF | International Monetary Fund |
| IPCC | Intellectual Property and Commercial Court |
| IPI | Imperial Pacific International |
| IPIH | Imperial Pacific International Holdings |
| IPO | initial public offering |
| JICA | Japan International Cooperation Agency |
| JSE | Johannesburg Stock Exchange |
| JV | joint ventures |
| JVA | Joint Venture Agreement |
| M&A | mergers and acquisitions |
| MCC | Metallurgical Corporation of China |
| MDT | Les Mêmes Droits pour Tous |
| MEDD | Ministère de l'Environnement et du Développement Durable/Ministry of the Environment and Sustainable Development |
| MENA | Middle Eastern and North African |
| MMT | Micron Memory Taiwan |
| MOEAIC | Investment Commission of the Ministry of Economic Affairs |
| MOEST | Ministry of Education, Science and Technology |
| MOFCOM | Ministry of Commerce |
| MOU | memorandum of understanding |
| MSR | Maritime Silk Road |
| NAV | net asset value |
| NDRC | National Development and Reform Commission |
| NEPZA | Nigeria Export Processing Zones Authority |
| NGO | nongovernmental organization |
| NHAR | Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region |
| NIS | Nigerian Immigration Service |
| NPCSC | Standing Committee of the National People's Congress of China |
| NSG | New South Group |
| NYS | National Youth Service |
| NYSE | New York Stock Exchange |
| ODI | overseas direct investment |
| OECD | Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development |
| OFDI | outbound foreign direct investment |
| OGFTZ | Ogun Guangdong Free Trade Zone |
| OPAZ | Public Authority for Special Economic Zones and Free Zones |
| OSHA | Occupational Safety and Health Administration |
| PAA | Project Approving Agency |
| PAO | Public Offer for Acquisition |
| PBOC | People's Bank of China |

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| PES | Philadelphia Energy Solutions |
| PF | Patriotic Front |
| PLAN | People's Liberation Army Navy |
| PPP | purchasing power parity |
| PR | public relations |
| PRC | People's Republic of China |
| R&D | research and development |
| RAP | <i>receita anual permitida</i> /annual allowed revenue |
| REIES | Environmental and Social Impact Study Report |
| RIT | right to information |
| SAFE | State Administration for Foreign Exchange |
| SAMR | State Administration for Market Regulation |
| SB | Standard Bank |
| SBGL | Standard Bank Group Limited |
| SBIC | Standard Bank Investment Corporation |
| SBLH | Standard Bank London Holdings Limited |
| SCARC | Standing Cabinet Appointed Review Committee |
| SDG | Sustainable Development Goals |
| SDP | Strategic Development Projects |
| SEAI | Supplementary Environmental Impact Assessment |
| SASAC | State-owned Assets Supervision and Administration Commission |
| SEZ | special economic zone |
| SEZAD | Special Economic Zone at Duqm |
| SGBH | State Grid Brazil Holding |
| SGBP | State Grid Brazil Power |
| SGCC | State Grid Corporation of China |
| SGID | State Grid International Development Limited |
| SLPA | Sri Lanka Ports Authority |
| SMB | Société Minière de Boké |
| SME | small and medium-sized enterprise |
| SNCPM | Service National de Coordination des Projets Miniers/ National Service for the Coordination of Mining Projects |
| SOE | state-owned enterprise |
| SPV | Special Purpose Vehicle |
| TJLP | <i>taxa de juros de longo prazo</i> /long-term interest rate |
| TSA | Transportation Security Administration |
| TVE | township and village enterprise |
| TVET | Technical, Vocational and Entrepreneurship Training |
| TVGI | Top View Grid Investment Limited |
| UDA | Urban Development Authority |
| UHVDC | ultra-high-voltage direct current |
| UMC | United Microelectronics Corporation |
| UN | United Nations |

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| UNDRIP | United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples |
| UNESCO | United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization |
| UNFCCC | United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change |
| UNGPS | United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights |
| UNCITRAL | United Nations Commission on International Trade Law |
| USAID | United States Agency for International Development |
| USDOL | United States Department of Labor |
| USP | unsolicited proposal |
| USTR | United States Trade Representative |
| VIE | variable interest entity |
| WMP | wealth management product |

