



## THIS WEEK

## Cameroon: "Compagnie Fruitière" contributes to the rise of banana exports in July 2019

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Cameroonian banana exports were carried by the Haut Penja Plantation Company (PHP), a local subsidiary of "Compagnie Fruitière de Marseille". According to statistics published by the Banana Association of Cameroon (Assobacam), PHP exported 16,279 tons of bananas in July 2019 compared with only 8,672 tons a year earlier. Cameroon exported 17,752 tons of bananas in July 2019, compared to 13,521 tons in the same period in 2018, despite the shutdown of activities at the CDC.

**Source**: Business in Cameroon

## Nigeria: MTN Launches New Mobile Money Transfer Service

MTN Nigeria will be one of the first operators to invest in this market. The management of the MTN subsidiary in Nigeria explained that mobile money will target people who do not have a bank account. This positioning of MTN in the mobile money segment was, however, conditioned by the decision of the Nigerian Central Bank (CBN) which awarded the operator last July the authorization to provide financial services.

Source: Reuters

#### Côte d'Ivoire: Toyota will install an assembly plant

After South Africa and Egypt, Toyota will install an assembly plant in Côte d'Ivoire as part of its expansion strategy on the continent. The Ivorian government and the Japanese automaker signed an agreement during the Tokyo Conference on African Development (TICAD 7) held Thursday, August 29th in Yokohama, Japan. The purpose of the agreement is the creation of a Toyota vehicle assembly plant in Ivory Coast. Under the terms of the agreement implementation of the process will start by the end of 2019.

Source : La Tribune

## **FINANCE**

## Regional / International Stock Index



 Dow Jones
 + 0.16 % USD 26 403.28

 Nasdaq 100
 - 0.15 % USD 7 691

 Nasdaq Cp.
 - 0.13 % USD 7 962.88

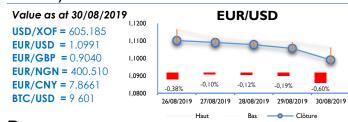
 S&P 500
 + 0.06 % USD 2 926.46

 CAC40
 + 0.56 % EUR 5 480.48

 FTSE 100
 + 0.32 % GBP 7 207.18

 Nikkei 225
 + 1.19 % YEN 20 704.37

#### Currency



## Raw Materials

Brent Oil ▼ -1.06% \$60.43 WTI Oil ▼ -2.84% \$55.10

#### <u>Agricultural products Price as at 30/08/2019</u>

 Cocoa
 4 + 1.74%
 2 161 \$/ton
 Cotton
 40.29%
 59.05 cents/lb

 Coffee
 4 + 0.92%
 1 312 \$/ton
 Rice
 40.95%
 11.67 cents/lb

 Wood
 4 + 0.35%
 374.5 \$/bdft
 Palm oil
 4 + 0.60%
 2 168 riggints/ton

## **FOCUS**

# THE MOST EXPENSIVE AFRICAN CITIES FOR EXPATRIATES (2019)

#### AFRICA RANKING

The ranking of the most expensive cities for expatriates in 2019 is based on a comparison of the living expenses on more than 200 products and services namely transport, food products, clothing, household goods, cultural activities, leisure, home renting.



**Cities** 

N'Djamena

Seychelles Victoria

Dr Congo Kinshasa

Gabon Libreville

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Nigeria Lagos

**Countries** 

Chad

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Source: Mercer (2019)