

VOA Broadcasting in Portuguese to Africa

The VOA Portuguese to Africa service broadcasts to Lusophone Africa and other countries where there are sizable Portuguese-speaking communities. The Portuguese broadcasts also reach East Timor, a Portuguese-speaking country in Southeast Asia, as well as Brazil via shortwave and the Internet. The program line-up includes news, discussions, interviews and a wide variety of features, including music and art. In addition, the service broadcasts a daily 30-minute Facebook Live program, *Washington After Hours*, it produces a Washington bureau feature for national television of Mozambique, TVM, and it offers several video products, such as the *VOA60* news capsule and the Hollywood-oriented *Red Carpet*.

Quick Facts

Established: May 1976

Target Areas: Lusophone Africa (Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau, Cape Verde and São Tomé and Principe).

Radio: 12.5 hrs per week

TV: 15 min. per week Red Carpet

30 min weekly "Africa Now"

15 min weekly "Saúde em Foco"

VOA60 Africa 1 minute 5 days/week VOA60 World 1 minute 5 days/week

Digital Programming:

Facebook Live:

Washington After Hours -- 30 min. M-F "Africa Now" -- 30 min Friday

Programs and features available at:

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Facebook:

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Programs and Features

The service produces a 90-minute program, Monday-Friday, from 1700-1830 UTC. The first 30 min of the Friday broadcast consists of a debate on Lusophone Africa issues. The 90-minute radio weekday program takes a comprehensive look at the day's news and events, analysis, including business and sports, interviews, reports, and features.

The first half-hour includes **Angola Window**, which covers the daily lives of Angolans with stringers based in Luanda (the capital) and in several of the country's provinces. On weekends, **Angola Window** focuses on current political issues, as well as social and cultural themes.

Africa Now: a weekly 30-min debate on hot issues in Lusophone Africa with a special guest answering questions

Health in Focus: a weekly 15-minute TV/web on health issues with contributions from stringers on the field and medical doctors.

Washington Fora d'horas (Washington After Hours): a fastpaced daily 30-minute Facebook Live show providing breaking news in politics, economics and social issues all over the world and in Lusophone Africa.

Passadeira Vermelha (Red Carpet): a 15-minute weekly program that covers the latest in celebrity news, fashion, sports, film and television around the world.

Washington Bureau: a weekly feature about the U.S. produced for the National Television of Mozambique.

VOA Portuguese to Africa currently has two TV affiliates in Mozambique which air "Washington Bureau," "VOA60Africa," "VOA60Mundo," and "Red Carpet," as well as 4 radio affiliates. The service also has one TV affiliate and eight radio affiliates in Guinea-Bissau, and two radio and one TV affiliates in Cape Verde.