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## Climate Change and Environment

### **Tourism sector takes action on plastic waste and pollution 18/08/2021**

Travel companies around the world are increasingly adhering to the principles of sustainable development. Global Tourism Plastics Initiative (GTPI) is active in this regard.

The initiative brings together the entire tourism sector to tackle the root causes of plastic pollution. This, in turn, allows governments, private enterprises and other tourism stakeholders to set an example in the transition to a circular economy.

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### **Policy Dialogue Series Aim to Accelerate Uzbekistan's Transition to a Green Economy 20/08/2021**

**TASHKENT, AUGUST 20, 2021** – A round table meeting, *Setting the Stage for Green Growth and Climate Change Dialogue*, was held today jointly by the Republic of Uzbekistan Ministry of Economic Development and Poverty Reduction (MEDPR), the World Bank, and the Central Asia Regional Economic Center (CAREC). The event marked the launch of a series of 11 *Green Growth and Climate Change in*

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Uzbekistan policy dialogues and stakeholder consultations that will continue through December 2021, with the aim of accelerating Uzbekistan's transition to a green economy.

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### **Kyrgyz Cabinet chairman proposes to conduct Eurasian Ecological and Climate Forum 20/08/2021**

**Bishkek, Aug. 20, 2021. / Kabar /** Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Kyrgyzstan, taking into account the fact that the climate agenda and green economy issues have become an integral part of the economic activity of almost all countries of the world, proposed to hold the Eurasian Ecological and Climate Forum in Issyk-Kul in summer of next year dedicated to climate change and green economy issues within the framework of the meeting of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council.

Speaking at the meeting of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council in an expanded format in Cholpon-Ata, Maripov said that it is important that measures to combat climate change do not become an instrument of unfair competition, do not contribute to breaking existing production ties, but, on the contrary, form new ones.

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### **President gets familiarized with Almaty city's environment upgrading projects 23/08/2021**

ALMATY. KAZINFORM – President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev's trip to Almaty city kicked off with the presentation of a number of city upgrading projects, Kazinform cites the Akorda press service.

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### **Uzbekistan, USAID implement a new project worth almost \$19 million 23/08/2021**

**Bishkek, Aug. 23, 2021 / Kabar /** Uzbekistan's Ministry of Agriculture and the U.S. Agency for International Development in Uzbekistan signed a Memorandum of Understanding to strengthen collaboration in agriculture through the recently launched USAID Agribusiness Development Project, UZA reported.

The document was signed by the Minister of Agriculture Jamshid Khodjayev and the USAID Uzbekistan Mission Director Mikaela Meredith.

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### **Waste recycling plant to be built in Bishkek 23/08/2021**

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**Bishkek, Aug. 23, 2021 / Kabar /.** A memorandum was signed in Bishkek on the design and construction of a waste recycling plant, the capital city's Mayor's Office said.

The memorandum on the implementation of the investment project "Design and construction of a waste recycling plant in Bishkek" was signed by Acting Mayor of the capital Aibek Dzhunushaliev, Minister of Investments of the Kyrgyz Republic Almambet Shykmamatov and President of the Turkish company Biotrend Energy Ilkhan Dogan.

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## Water resources

### **Sumbar - a river valley in the embrace of the mountains 20/08/2021**

You can get to the valley of the Sumbar river by mountain roads lying along the plateau, through the villages of Nukhur or Sayvan, and go down to the river valley along a serpentine. But it is better - at least once to drive along the highway through the fantastic vestibule of the valley - the "mountains of the moon". This is one of the striking local attractions of the southwestern Kopetdag.

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### **Warm water of Kyrgyzstan's Issyk-Kul lake captivates tourists 23/08/2021**

The number of tourists visiting Issyk-Kul lake, the world's tenth-largest lake, located in Kyrgyzstan's northern mountains, has surged in recent years, with the warm water and white sandy beaches attracting both domestic and international visitors, [YenySafak](#) reported.

The world's seventh-deepest splendor lake, located in the northern Tian Shan mountains of Cholpon-Ata town in the landlocked Central Asian country, is attracting a growing number of tourists, local businessmen told Anadolu Agency.

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## Energy sector

### **Mini-hydroelectric power station to be built in Jalal-Abad 20/08/2021**

**Osh, Aug. 20, 2021. / Kabar /.** The mini-hydroelectric power station will be built on the Nichke-Sai river in the village of Too-Kyzyl-Suu in Kyrgyzstan's Jalal-Abad Oblast. This became known during the meeting of the Jalal-Abad mayor with the local population of the

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village of Too-Kyzyl-Suu.

At the meeting, public hearings were held with the participation of villagers, officials led by Mayor Ernisbek Ormokov and a representative of the Energy construction company, which plans to build small hydroelectric power plants. At the meeting, local residents unanimously agreed to build a small hydroelectric power plant.

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## **Turkmen leader appoints new Minister of Energy of Turkmenistan 20/08/2021**

By the decree (hyperlink to the decree of TDH) of the President of Turkmenistan, Hajimuhammet Rejepmyradov was appointed Minister of Energy of Turkmenistan.

The head of state appointed Serdar Saparov to the post of deputy minister of energy.

Also, by the decree (hyperlink to the TDH resolutions) of the President of Turkmenistan, Deputy Prime Minister Charymyrat Purchekov was relieved of his temporary duties as Minister of Energy.

Read more: [here](#)

## **The new power plant is preparing to start up 20/08/2021**

On the territory of the Lebap state power plant, construction work, installation of power plants, switchgears and commissioning work at a new gas turbine power plant, which is prepared for launch by the Japanese company Sumitomo Corporation, have been completed.

The new generating facility consists of three gas turbine units of the Japanese company Mitsubishi Hitachi Power Systems, each with a capacity of 144 MW. The project was financed by the Japanese Bank for International Cooperation through a loan agreement with Vnesheconombank of Turkmenistan.

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## **Cooperation between Central Asian countries**

## **Heads of Batken and Sughd regions meet on Kyrgyz-Tajik border**

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**17/08/2021**

**Bishkek, Aug. 17, 2021. / Kabar /.** Governor of Batken Oblast Abdikarim Alimbayev and head of Sughd Oblast of Tajikistan, Rajabb Ahmadzoda, met at the Kyrgyz-Tajik border, the press service of the Batken state administration reported.

The meeting was also attended by akims of Leilek region and Isfara, heads of law enforcement agencies of the two countries.

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### **Kyrgyzstan ratifies agreement on establishment of Uzbek-Kyrgyz Development Fund 18/08/2021**

**Bishkek, Aug. 18, 2021. / Kabar /.** President of Kyrgyzstan Sadyr Zhaparov signed the Law of the Kyrgyz Republic "On ratification of the Agreement between the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic and the Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan on the establishment of the Uzbek-Kyrgyz Development Fund, signed on March 11, 2021 in the city of Tashkent."

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### **Uzbekistani PM Abdulla Aripov arrives in Kyrgyzstan 20/08/2021**

**Bishkek, Aug. 20, 2021 . / Kabar / .** Prime Minister of Uzbekistan Abdulla Aripov has arrived on Friday in Kyrgyzstan.

The head of the Uzbek Government will take part in a regular meeting of the Eurasian Intergovernmental Council (as an observer), the press service of the Cabinet of Ministers of Kyrgyzstan reported.

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### **Dushanbe Hosts an International Conference on SCO's 20th Anniversary 20/08/2021**

**DUSHANBE, 20.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) –** Today, the Center for Strategic Studies under the President of Tajikistan held an international scientific and practical conference dedicated to the 20th anniversary of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization (SCO) entitled "SCO's Twenty Years: From a Regional Forum to Global Recognition" via videoconference. The conference was organized within Tajikistan's presidency in the SCO.

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## **Key positions of Turkmenistan for the 76th session of the UN General Assembly discussed 21/08/2021**

At a government meeting via video link, the key positions of Turkmenistan at the next, 76<sup>th</sup> session of the UN General Assembly, which will begin work on September 14<sup>th</sup> this year in New York, were discussed.

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## **President of Uzbekistan takes part in the CSTO summit 23/08/2021**

**Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com)** -- On 23 August, President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev took part as an invited guest in an extraordinary session of the Collective Security Treaty Organization in the format of a video conference on the situation in Afghanistan.

The meeting, chaired by the President of the Republic of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon, was attended by the President of the Russian Federation Vladimir Putin, the President of the Republic of Belarus Alexander Lukashenko, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, the President of the Kyrgyz Republic Sadyr Japarov, the Prime Minister of the Republic of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan and the Secretary General of the CSTO Stanislav Zas.

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## **President Emomali Rahmon Chairs extraordinary Session of the CSTO Collective Security Council 23/08/2021**

**DUSHANBE, 23.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar)** – President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon chaired an extraordinary meeting of the Collective Security Council of the Collective Security Treaty Organisation via videoconference.

The session was attended by President of Tajikistan, Chairman of the CSTO Collective Security Council Emomali Rahmon, Prime Minister of Armenia Nikol Pashinyan, President of Belarus Alexander Lukashenko, President of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, President of Kyrgyzstan Sadyr Japarov, President of Russia Vladimir Putin and CSTO Secretary General Stanislav Zas.

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