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Climate Change and Environment

Ecological Party of Uzbekistan nominates its candidate for presidency 04/08/2021

According to Kun.uz correspondent, Narzulla Oblomurodov, chairman of the executive committee of the party's central council, will run in the presidential election. Narzulla Oblomurodov also delivered a speech at the plenary session.

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Green Agenda is not a trend, but an urgent need 06/08/2021

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- At the Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of Central Asia held on August 6 in the Turkmen Avaza, President of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev proposed to develop a regional program "Green Agenda" for the countries of Central Asia.

The adoption of such a comprehensive document is a very important and urgent task for the states of the region, given the fact that all Central Asian countries have faced the negative consequences of global climate change and are interested in mitigating it.

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The digital five 09/08/2021

The digital five can be a good name for the Central Asian Digital Information Platform (CACIP), which combines climate data on all countries in the region: Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan. This unique intellectual platform was developed by the International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) commissioned by the Regional Environmental Center for Central Asia (CAREC) within the framework of the World Bank/EC IFAS regional project "Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Program in the Aral Sea Basin" (CAMP4ASB). The Central Asia Climate Information Platform was launched in May this year as a tool to advance a knowledge-based approach to solving climate problems and achieving a climate resilient future.

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UN body to begin releasing today climate report on global warming's impact 09/08/2021

Bishkek, Aug. 9, 2021 / Kabar /. The UN's top scientific body on climate change will begin releasing on Monday its long-awaited new assessment on global warming's impact, three months before world leaders gather in Scotland to forge a new plan to limit global temperature increases, WAM reported.

The Geneva-based Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) will present the first of four reports in its latest assessment cycle, starting with an analysis of the stacks of climate studies since the last major evaluation seven years ago, German news agency dpa reported on Monday.

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Uzbekistan takes systemic measures to adapt and mitigate the effects of climate change 09/08/2021

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Currently, climate change is one of the main challenges of our time that humanity faces. Its consequences are global and unprecedented in scale. Experts predict a further increase in global warming trends, entailing a set of interrelated problems of food, environmental, water, energy and, ultimately, economic security.

Recently, this issue has become more relevant among the world community. As UN Secretary General António Guterres noted, no country in the world is immune from the climate crisis. In this regard, he called for the consolidation of the efforts of the international community to combat climate change. If not decisive action is taken today,

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then the subsequent adaptation to climate change will require a lot of effort and expense.

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The UNESCO Tashkent Office to conduct a training on “Development of Sustainable Eco and Rural Tourism in Karakalpakstan” 09/08/2021

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- From 10 to 12 August 2021, a training on “Development of Sustainable Eco and Rural Tourism in Karakalpakstan” will take place in Nukus, Karakalpakstan, organized by the UNESCO Tashkent Office in close cooperation with the Ministry of Tourism and Sports of Uzbekistan in the framework of the Joint Programme “Addressing the urgent human insecurities in the Aral Sea region through promoting sustainable rural development”.

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Water resources

The Joint Statement of President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov and President of the Republic of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon 04/08/2021

The President of Turkmenistan and President of the Republic of Tajikistan welcomed adoption of the UN General Assembly Resolution «United Nations Conference on the International Decade for Action, «Water for Sustainable Development», 2018–2028»

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Energy sector

The 26th “Oil and Gas of Turkmenistan” International Conference (OGT 2021) 03/08/2021

The 26th International Conference "Oil and Gas of Turkmenistan" (OGT-2021) dedicated to the 30th anniversary of the Independence of Turkmenistan will be held on October 27-29, 2021 in Ashgabat. The Conference is organized by the State Concerns "Turkmengaz", "Turkmennebit" and State Corporation "Turkmengeology" in partnership with Turkmen Forum and UK-based GaffneyCline.

OGT is a prestigious business forum, which is held annually with the aim to develop and strengthen international partnership between Turkmen state organizations and leading oil

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and gas companies of the world.

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Turkmenistan and Tajikistan will co-operate in the sphere of transportation of liquefied gas and petroleum products 04/08/2021

Following the results of negotiations between President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov and the head of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon in Ashkhabad more than 20 documents, including on cooperation in the sphere of transportation of liquefied gas and combusive-lubricating materials were signed as is informed by Avesta news agency referring to the press-service of the head of the Tajik state.

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Turkmenistan is ready to increase gas supplies to Central Asia and foreign markets 06/08/2021

Turkmenistan is ready to significantly increase the supply of natural gas and electricity to Central Asia and beyond, said Foreign Minister Rashid Meredov following a consultative meeting of the heads of state of the region, held on the Turkmen coast of the Caspian Sea, in the "Avaza» National Tourist Zone.

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Berdimuhamedov: energy partnership in CA is focused on an access to the world markets 06/08/2021

The Consultative meeting of heads of the Central Asian states will stimulate strengthening of regional cooperation and creation of conditions for effective and constructive participation of the region in continental and global processes, participants of the summit consider.

Presidents of Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan considered key aspects of development of political, trade and economic and cultural-humanitarian interaction between the regional countries, informs the site of the Turkmen foreign policy department.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Taliban militants seize TV and radio center in Afghan Helmand province 03/08/2021

Bishkek, Aug. 3, 2021. / Kabar / . Militants from the Taliban movement (outlawed in Russia) seized the building of the regional state TV and radio center in the city of Lashkar Gah on Monday, the administrative center of Afghanistan's Helmand province, [TASS](#) reported with the reference to [TOLOnews television](#) network.

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Central Asian leaders adopt a joint statement 06/08/2021

The presidents noted that one of the important factors in maintaining and strengthening security and stability in Central Asia is the rapid stabilization of the situation in neighboring Afghanistan.

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Dialogue on security and cooperation - a new regional platform will appear in Central Asia 06/08/2021

The presidents of Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan discussed the situation in Afghanistan, stressing that its early settlement is one of the most important factors in maintaining and strengthening security and stability in Central Asia. This provision is enshrined in a separate paragraph of the Joint Statement following the consultative meeting of the heads of state of the region held in Avaza.

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Declaration of the Central Asia Women Leaders' welcomes involvement of Afghan women 06/08/2021

Representatives of Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan at the forum in Avaza accepted the Declaration of the Dialogue of women of the Central Asian countries- the informal coalition first in the history of the region attached to strengthening of the role of all women in advancement of sustainable development and maintenance of peace and security in the region.

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Cooperation between Central Asian countries

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President Emomali Rahmon Arrives in Ashgabat for State Visit to Turkmenistan 03/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 03.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) – The Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon arrived in Turkmenistan on a state visit.

A guard of honor was lined up to meet him at the Ashgabat International Airport decorated with the national flags of the two countries. President Rahmon was warmly welcomed by high-ranking Turkmen officials.

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Turkmenistan hosts meetings with delegations of Central Asian countries on the eve of the summit of heads of state of the region 03/08/2021

Negotiations with official delegations of Central Asian countries are underway in Turkmenistan ahead of the Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of the region in Avaza.

An Uzbek delegation headed by Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan Serdor Umurzakov arrived in Turkmenistan on a working visit. He held meetings with Deputy Chairmen of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan Serdar Berdimuhamedov, Rashid Meredov, Chary Gylydzhov and Esenmyrat Orazgeldiev.

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Over 3 years, the volume of trade between Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan has grown 3 times 04/08/2021

Over the past three years, the volume of trade between Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan has tripled, and from January to June 2021, mutual trade increased by 9% compared to the first half of 2020. Such indicators were announced at the meeting of the Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan Sardor Umurzakov with the Turkmen Deputy Prime Minister Chary Gylydzhov held in Ashgabat.

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President Emomali Rahmon Visits the Memorial Complex of

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Turkmenistan 04/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 04.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) – As part of his state visit to Turkmenistan, the Founder of Peace and National Unity, Leader of the Nation, President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon laid a wreath at the mausoleum of prominent figures of Turkmenistan and memorial complex Halk Hakydasy in the city of Ashgabat. He also visited the Spiritual Mosque of Turkmenbasy in Kipchak village.

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Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan intend to resume auto and air services 04/08/2021

Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan will work out the issues of resuming direct flights and international road communications in compliance with sanitary and epidemiological requirements.

Ashgabat hosted a meeting between Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan Esenmurad Orazgeldiev and Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan Sardor Umurzakov.

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Tajikistan and Turkmenistan Hold Summit Talks 04/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 04.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) – The talks between the President of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon and the President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimukhamedov were held in Turkmenistan's Oguzhan Presidential Palace.

Following the official welcoming ceremony, the two leaders had a one-on-one discussion, which continued in an expanded format.

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Turkmenistan-Tajikistan: cooperation between business communities is strengthening 05/08/2021

President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov at the talks with the head of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon stated the need to significantly increase the level of partnership between the countries through the business communities.

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The Turkmen leader stressed the need to organize on a regular basis contacts between entrepreneurs, joint exhibitions of commodity producers, economic forums and other events of an economic nature.

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Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan delegations consider new areas of collaboration 05/08/2021

Bishkek, Aug. 5, 2021. / Kabar /. Deputy Prime Minister – Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of Uzbekistan Sardor Umurzakov met with Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers – Minister of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan Rashid Meredov, in Ashgabat, UzA reported.

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President Emomali Rahmon Awarded the Mark of Honour of the Heads of Central Asian States 06/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 06.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) – President Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov of Turkmenistan awarded President Emomali Rahmon with the Mark of Honour of the Heads of States of the Central Asia. The mark was awarded in Turkmenbashi.

Read more: [here](#)

President of Uzbekistan addresses the Consultative Meeting of Central Asian Leaders 06/08/2021

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- On 6 August, the Third Consultative Meeting of Central Asian Leaders took place. The event was held in Turkmenistan's Avaza National Tourist Zone.

The summit chaired by the President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov was attended by the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev, the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, the President of the Kyrgyz Republic Sadyr Zhaparov and the President of the Republic of Tajikistan Emomali Rahmon, as well as the UN Secretary-General's Special Representative for Central Asia, Head of the UN Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia Natalia Gherman.

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"One tour - the whole region" - a joint tourism project is being

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considered 06/08/2021

At the meeting of the heads of Central Asia in Avaza, the President of Uzbekistan noted that the tourism sector is one of the effective factors contributing to the rapprochement of peoples in the region.

Mirziyoyev noted the need to actively use an additional incentive to increase tourist exchange within Central Asia.

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Presidents of the CA countries agreed to create the general Council of industrialists and entrepreneurs 06/08/2021

Heads of the Central Asian states stated necessity to create a five-sided Council of industrialists and entrepreneurs of the CA countries, as is told in the Joint statement following the results of the summit of leaders of the Central Asian countries in Avaza.

The new joint body will be created to attach a systematic and purposeful character to cooperation between the regional countries in trade and economic, transport-logistical, energy and innovative directions, as is underlined in the final document.

Read more: [here](#)

Central Asian Economic Forum defines the investment contour of the region 06/08/2021

The Central Asian Economic Forum was held in Avaza in the framework of the Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of the region.

The forum took place at the “Avaza” congress center and included a plenary session and thematic consultations in full-time and in absentia, simultaneously with the participation of representatives of the public and private sectors, international and regional financial institutions.

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What women are talking about: peace, equality and social well-being 06/08/2021

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The Central Asian Women's Dialogue is being held in Avaza in parallel with the Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of the region. Participants of the Dialogue gathered this morning at the "Berkarar" hotel, and a picturesque exhibition of works of art reflecting the world of a woman - the custodian of traditions and family values - became a colorful prologue to the official start of the forum.

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The presidents of the Central Asian countries will sign the Treaty of Friendship, Good Neighborliness and Cooperation 07/08/2021

The leaders of Turkmenistan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan instructed the foreign ministers to prepare for signing at the next Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of the Central Asian region a Treaty of Friendship, Good Neighborliness and Cooperation for the Development of Central Asia in the 21st Century.

Also, the foreign affairs agencies have been entrusted with the task of preparing proposals on the timing and venue of the fourth Consultative Meeting and developing topical issues on its agenda.

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Heads of economies of CA agreed on decrease in barriers in trade 07/08/2021

The interrelation and interdependence of economic development of the countries of Central Asia has an objective character from the point of view of achievement of the greatest social and economic effect at joint and co-ordinated use of resources of our countries.

Such basic conclusion was made by participants of the Central Asian economic forum which was held on August 6 in Avaza with participation of heads and representatives of state bodies, enterprises and investment structures, banks, financial organisations, mass media.

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Tajik and Kyrgyz Topographic Working Groups Meeting Held in

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Dushanbe 09/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 09.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) — A regular meeting of the topographic working groups of the Tajik and Kyrgyz governmental delegations on the border delimitation and demarcation was held in Dushanbe on August 4-9.

A corresponding Protocol was signed following the meeting.

The parties agreed to hold the next meeting in the Kyrgyz Republic.

Read more: [here](#)

Tajik and Turkmen Enterprises Sign Cooperation Documents

09/08/2021

DUSHANBE, 09.08.2021 (NIAT Khovar) — The share of trade with Central Asian countries in Tajikistan's foreign trade turnover increased to 28.3%. This was noted at the Central Asian Economic Forum which took place in the Awaza tourist zone in Turkmenbashi as part of President Emomali Rahmon's visit to Turkmenistan for the Consultative Meeting of the Heads of State of Central Asia.

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