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Climate Change and Environment

NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS OF THE RECATH PROJECT TO PRESENT THE RESULTS OF THE GAPS AND NEEDS ANALYSIS 06/09/2022

Today, on September 7th and 8th in Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan, a series of online national consultations of the project "Regional Climate Action Transparency Hub in Central Asia" (ReCATH) will be held with a wide range of participants.

The meetings will be held in preparation for the three-day inception workshop: September 19-21, 2022 in Almaty. The event will be attended by the members of ministries and agencies responsible for reporting under the Paris Agreement; international and regional development partners of CAREC.

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Uzbekistan allocated 1.9 trillion soums from the state budget for environmental protection over 6 months 06/09/2022

On September 5, the implementation of the state budget for the first half of 2022 was discussed at the meeting of the faction of the Ecological Party of Uzbekistan in the Legislative Chamber of Oliy Majlis, the press service of the Lower Chamber reported.

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"Each of us is responsible for conservation of the environment" – Ziroat Mirziyoyeva 07/09/2022

The "Zamin" Foundation held a discussion on the topic "The importance of clean air for the quality of human life" with the support of the UN Environmental Protection (UNEP) program, the Hydrometeorological Service Center of Uzbekistan (Uzhydromet) and the State Ecology Committee.

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NATIONAL NEXUS DEMO PROJECT IN KAZAKHSTAN "AFORESTATION OF THE DRIED BOTTOM OF THE ARAL SEA: PILOTING A CLOSED ROOT SYSTEM" 09/09/2022

The area of the Aralkum Desert has reached approx. 6 mln ha, out of which 2.8 mln ha are located in Kazakhstan (Kyzylorda Region) and 3.2 mln ha in Uzbekistan (Republic of Karakalpakstan).

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Water resources

US helps to increase access to drinking water in Tajikistan 05/09/2022

The US Agency for International Development (USAID) is providing a reliable drinking water access to people in Tajikistan, a representative from the Rural Water Supply Activity, a USAID program being implemented by international development organization Chemonics International told Trend.

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Kazakhstan to work out water sector development plan 06/09/2022

NUR-SULTAN. KAZINFORM Kazakh National Economy Minister Alibek Kuantyrov told about the ways to deal with water sector issues, Kazinform reports.

«To solve water sector issues it is planned to intensify efforts of the Water Council under

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the Government attracting experts and to work out the three-year water sector development package plan,» Kuantyrov said at today's Government sitting presenting the draft nationwide plan for the development of the President's Address to the Nation.

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Decree of the President of Turkmenistan on Gendjiev D.M. 09/09/2022

Appoint Gendjiev Durdy Meymanovich as the Chairman of the State Committee for the Water Industry of Turkmenistan.

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Uzbekistan to implement 20 projects in water supply with the help of a loan worth $1.8 billion 10/09/2022

It is planned to finance 20 investment projects implemented by Uzsuvtaminot JSC and international financial institutions at the expense of $1 billion 861 million of loan funds.

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Energy sector

USD 58 million to be attracted to energy sector of Kyrgyzstan 05/09/2022

Bishkek, Sept. 5, 2022 / Kabar /. Within the framework of the Modernization and Sustainability of the Electricity Sector project, a grant assistance will be provided to the energy sector of Kyrgyzstan.

The Ministry of Energy said that within the framework of the Modernization and Sustainability of the Electricity Sector project, Kyrgyzstan will receive grant assistance in the amount of USD 25 million through the World Bank.

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EBRD-led US$74 million package supports biggest renewables project in Central Asia 05/09/2022

The EBRD has organised a financing package of US$74 million, provided as an A/B loan and a revolving facility, to Uzbekistan's Shamol Zarafshan Energy Foreign Enterprise LLC for the development, construction and operation of a 500 MW greenfield wind power plant in the Navoi region of Uzbekistan – the largest renewable project in Central Asia to date, UzDaily reported.

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TRANSBOUNDARY NEXUS DEMO PROJECT BETWEEN UZBEKISTAN AND TURKMENISTAN "TUYAMUYUN HYDROELECTRIC COMPLEX" 09/09/2022

The Tuyamuyun Hydroelectric Complex (THC) is a transboundary water-energy facility located along the Amudarya River at the border between Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan. The facility is located in Turkmenistan, but belongs to Uzbekistan. The land is leased by Turkmenistan based on the corresponding legal agreements.

The growing sedimentation of the THC's channel Ruslovoye Reservoir – that has already reached 70% – disables water passage to the other three reservoirs of the Tuyamuyun Hydroelectric Complex for irrigation and drinking needs. By 2040, the Ruslovoye Reservoir is forecasted to get fully silted as per the business-as-usual (BAU) scenario harnessing the WEF security for 5+ mln people in Uz-bekistan and Turkmenistan.

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NEXUS DEMO PROJECT IN TAJIKISTAN TO SUPPORT THE ENERGY AND FOOD SECURITY 09/09/2022

Over 90% of Tajikistan's territory is occupied by mountains, which requires mechanically lifting wa-ter from rivers and canals to irrigate farmland. The pumping stations across the country pump and lift water to 50%+ of domestic irrigated land generating 80% of the country's agricultural production, and thus secure the functionality of its agricultural sector per se. The industry, in turn, provides jobs to 70% of the population and contributes 20% to the country's GDP.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Uzbekistan condemns another terrorist attack in Afghanistan 04/09/2022

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) – Uzbekistan condemned another terrorist attach in Afghanistan. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan issued a statement.

"We strongly condemn the terrorist act committed on 2 September 2022 during Friday prayers at the Guzargokh mosque in the city of Herat, as a result of which there were numerous casualties and injuries among the civilian population, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs said.

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Uzbekistan strongly condemns the terrorist act in Kabul 05/09/2022

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Uzbekistan strongly condemned the terrorist act committed on 5 September 2022 in the immediate vicinity of the consular department of the Russian Federation in Kabul. This was stated by the press service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan.

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Director of Afghan Railways arrives in Uzbekistan 08/09/2022

The parties intend to discuss the project of a transport corridor between Uzbekistan, Afghanistan, Kyrgyzstan and China.

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EU to allocate €1.6 million to support Afghan migrants in Surkhandarya -8/09/2022

On September 8, the State Committee for Family and Women, the khokimiyat of Surkhandarya region, the European Union (EU) and UNICEF launched a program to expand access to inclusive education, social services and legal assistance in Surkhandarya.

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Cooperation between Central Asian countries

Mirziyoyev offers Tokayev assistance in eliminating consequences of forest fires in Kazakhstan 07/09/2022

On September 6, Shavkat Mirziyoyev had a telephone conversation with the President of Kazakhstan, Kassym-Jomart Tokayev, Kun.uz reported.

Mirziyoyev expressed words of support to the leader of Kazakhstan in connection with the forest fires in the Kostanay region, and also stressed the readiness of Uzbekistan to provide the necessary assistance in eliminating the consequences of the emergency.

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The first meeting of the Strategic Dialogue "Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf - Central Asia" takes place 07/09/2022

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) – On 7 September 2022, the first ministerial

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meeting of the Strategic Dialogue "Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf - Central Asia" was held in Riyadh (Saudi Arabia).

The event was attended by the heads of the foreign affairs agencies of the member countries of the Council - Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait, the UAE, Oman, Saudi Arabia and the states of Central Asia - Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan.

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Population census 2022. Population of Kyrgyzstan is 6 mln 977 thsd people 08/09/2022

Bishkek, Sept. 8, 2022. / Kabar /. Based on the results of the first stage of processing the results of the population census, the actual population of Kyrgyzstan became known, the National Statistical Committee of the country reported.

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Summit in Tashkent to discuss challenges and opportunities for women in trade in Central Asia 09/09/2022

Bishkek, Sept. 9, 2022. / Kabar /. The USAID Central Asia Trade Program will host the second Regional Women's Summit on September 21 in the capital of Uzbekistan on the theme “Women in Trade: Challenges and Opportunities for Women in Central Asia. Best practices,” ORIENT reported.

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Working visit of the governmental delegation of Turkmenistan to the Republic of Uzbekistan 09/09/2022

On September 7-8 this year, a working visit of the delegation of Turkmenistan led by the Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan Batyr Atdaev to Tashkent took place. About this reports Press service of the MFA of Turkmenistan. Within the framework of the visit a meeting in a narrow format was held between the Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Turkmenistan Batyr Atdaev and the Deputy Prime Minister - Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan Jamshid Khodjayev, who are co-chairs of the Joint Turkmen-Uzbek Commission on Trade-Economic, Scientific-Technical and Cultural Cooperation.

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