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Climate Change and Environment

The project "Restoration of sustainable forest landscapes" to be implemented 28/03/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- President of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev signed a resolution on the implementation of the project "Restoration of sustainable forest landscapes in Uzbekistan" with the participation of the International Development Association.

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Permanent Representative of Tajikistan Attends the Side Event Dedicated to the International Day of Zero Waste 28/03/2024

DUSHANBE, 28.03.2024 (NIAT Khovar) – On March 27, the Permanent Representative of Tajikistan to the UN Jonibek Hikmat participated and addressed a side event organized

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by the Permanent Mission of Turkiye, the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) to celebrate the International Day of Zero Waste.

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Central Asia is building long-term environmental cooperation 29/03/2024

This month has been rich in regional environmental meetings. A recent meeting of ministers of nature protection, held in Ashgabat, revealed regional factors related to climate change and environmental safety, and a commonality of approaches in understanding their significance. During the high-level meeting, it was said that from time immemorial the countries and peoples of Central Asia have been united by strong cultural and historical ties and a common traditional way of life. Currently, this is manifested in the similarity of views and positions on various issues relating to the development of the region and its interaction with the rest of the world. This helps the five states jointly solve problems, including those that relate to such an important area of human life as the preservation of the natural environment and rational use of natural resources. This meeting also outlined new vectors of interaction with the OSCE that are useful for the five countries.

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GREEN RELAY: KAZAKHSTAN HANDS OVER ICSD CHAIRMANSHIP TO TAJIKISTAN 29/03/2024

"Central Asia faces serious challenges such as climate change, biodiversity loss, land degradation and shrinking water resources. While we realistically assess the severity of the problems, we are very well aware of a wide arsenal of tools to solve them. The experience of the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia shows that joint actions are more effective," said Zafar Makhmudov, Executive Director of the Regional Environmental Centre for Central Asia (CAREC), at a meeting of the Interstate Commission on Sustainable Development of Central Asian Countries (ICSD) in Astana on March 28, 2024.

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A parliamentary request was sent to protect protected natural areas 30/03/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- At the fifty-first plenary meeting of the Senate, the issue of sending a parliamentary request to the Cabinet of Ministers regarding the

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state of improving the qualitative composition, conservation of flora and fauna and maintaining an inventory of protected natural areas was considered.

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WORLD WATER DAY IN TURKMENISTAN 01/03/2024

On March 28, 2024, were held a series of celebratory events dedicated to the World Water Day in Dashoguz, Turkmenistan, to highlight the need for improved transboundary cooperation in water resources management.

Organizer - USAID Regional Water and Vulnerable Environment Activity together with State Committee of Water Management of Turkmenistan and Regional Environmental Center of Central Asia (CAREC).

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New Deputy Minister of Ecology appointed 01/04/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Iskandar Kutbiddinov was appointed to the post of Deputy Minister of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of Uzbekistan.

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Water resources

CSTO Secretary General: Risk of conflicts over water resources increasing in Central Asia 29/03/2024

The risk of conflicts over resources such as land and water is increasing in Central Asian countries, but the Collective Security Treaty Organization (CSTO) has the capabilities to prevent such threats, stated Imangali Tasmagambetov, the CSTO Secretary-General. It was informed by the "National Defense" magazine, Eurasia Today reports.

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Energy sector

Turkmenistan may begin supplying electricity to Kazakhstan 26/03/2024

Minister of Energy of Kazakhstan Almasadam Satkaliyev spoke about the prospects of Kazakhstan purchasing electricity from Turkmenistan.

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Uzbekistan to construct cascade of HPP on border with Kyrgyzstan

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"Uzbekhydroenergy" has launched the construction of six hydroelectric power stations with a total capacity of 228 megawatts on the Naryn River in the Namangan region of Uzbekistan. President Shavkat Mirziyoyev initiated the construction of the facility, the press service of the Uxbek President reports.

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Uzbekistan should pay attention to new nuclear technologies 27/03/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Scientists and specialists from Uzbekistan should actively participate in international events, such as Atomexpo, to enrich knowledge and gain experience, the director of the Ma'no research initiative center Bakhtiyor Ergashev underlined on the sidelines of the Atomexpo forum. in Sochi.

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Türkiye to construct a large power plant in Turkmenistan 28/03/2024

The Turkish company "Calik Enerji" intends to build a power plant with a capacity of about 1.6 GW in Turkmenbashi. Ankara has signed a contract with "TurkmenEnergo" for the construction of a combined cycle power plant in the Balkanabat district of Turkmenbashi, Eurasia Today reports.

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Tajikistan has to use alternative energy sources more actively in support of hydropower 28/03/2024

Tajikistan is one of the most vulnerable to climate change countries. Rising temperatures led to glacial melting and changes in precipitation patterns. This is becoming an acute problem for the country's hydropower system, which generates more than 95% of the country's electric power. The experts believe the country has to use alternative methods of generating electric power more actively. The country's significant renewable energy potential is underutilized due to multiple financial, technical and social barriers.

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Head of State eyes joint projects in green energy with China's leading high-end equipment manufacturer 29/03/2024

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During his visit to China, Head of State Kassym-Jomart Tokayev held a meeting with rotating Chairman of SANY Group Co. Ltd Xiang Wenbo to focus on bringing to life joint projects in green energy sector, Kazinform News Agency has learnt from the Akorda press service.

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Azim Akhmedkhadjaev heads the Nuclear Energy Development Agency 29/03/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Azim Akhmedkhadjaev was appointed as the First Deputy Minister of Energy - Director of the Nuclear Energy Development Agency.

In this regard, he was relieved of his post as First Deputy Minister of Energy.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Afghanistan to hold another exhibition of its goods in Turkmenistan 27/03/2024

The Ministry of Industry and Trade of Afghanistan has announced its intention to hold another exhibition of goods in Turkmenistan, the press service of the Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs of Turkmenistan (UIET) informs.

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Uzbekistan, EU discuss cooperation in education Afghan citizens 28/03/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- On 27 March 2024, the Special Representative of the President of the Republic of Uzbekistan for Afghanistan Ismatulla Irgashev met with the Ambassador of the European Union to Uzbekistan Charlotte Adriaen.

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Cooperation between Central Asian countries

Benefits of construction China-Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan railway continue to be debated 28/03/2024

The construction of a railway in Kyrgyzstan along the China-Kyrgyzstan-Uzbekistan route

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continues to provoke disagreements among experts and specialists, both European and Chinese, states an article in Avesta.

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Kyrgyz-Kazakh business forum to be held as part of Sadyr Zhaparov's visit to Astana 28/03/2024

Bishkek, March 28, 2024 / Kabar/. As part of the official visit of the President of the Kyrgyz Republic Sadyr Zhaparov to Kazakhstan, a Kyrgyz-Kazakh business forum will be held in Astana on April 17 at the level of deputy heads of government of the two countries, as well as an exhibition of manufacturers of domestic products, the National Investment Agency under the President of the Kyrgyz Republic reported.

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Meeting of the Co-chairs of the Tajik — Kyrgyz Governmental Delegations on Delimitation and Demarcation of the State Border in Batken 29/03/2024

DUSHANBE, 29.03.2024 (NIAT Khovar) – On March 29, the Kyrgyz city of Batken hosted a regular meeting of the co-chairs of the governmental delegations of the Republic of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic on delimitation and demarcation of the state border Saimumin Yatimov and Kamchybek Tashiev.

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Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan reduced discrepancy in “mirror” customs statistics to 11% 01/04/2024

The customs services of Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan have minimized discrepancies in "mirror" statistics to 11.4% by the end of 2023. This was announced by the press service of the Kyrgyzstan customs authority, as reported by Economist.kg.

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China, Central Asian Countries Launch Secretariat of Cooperation Mechanism 01/04/2024

DUSHANBE, 01.04.2024 (NIAT Khovar) – China and five Central Asian countries launched the secretariat of the China-Central Asian cooperation mechanism on Saturday, reported Xinhua News Agency.

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