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Climate Change and Environment

Uzbekistan organize unique marathon on bottom of Aral Sea 21/05/2024

As part of the International Day to Combat Desertification and Drought on June 17, Uzbekistan will host the Aral Eco Marathon.

According to the Ministry of Ecology of Uzbekistan and the event organizers, the goal is to draw public attention to the ecological problems of the Aral Sea region and inspire active measures to preserve nature.

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Uzbekistan and Shanghai SUS Environment sign a memorandum of cooperation in the field of recycling waste into energy 24/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- The Ministry of Ecology, Environmental Protection and Climate Change of Uzbekistan and Shanghai SUS Environment signed a memorandum of cooperation in the development and implementation of waste-to-energy

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projects.

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OVER 1000 PEOPLE PARTICIPATE IN CENTRAL ASIA CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE IN ALMATY 27/05/2024

Today the Central Asia Climate Change Conference (CACCC-2024) has started in Almaty, Kazakhstan.

The Conference will last for three days. It convenes over 1000 people offline and online - policy- and decision makers from Central Asia countries, international development partners, civil society, the private sector, and academia.

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VICE MINISTER OF ECOLOGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN HIGHLIGHTED REGIONAL COOPERATION AT CACCC-2024 27/05/2024

“CACCC-2024 demonstrates the desire of the Central Asian countries to jointly address issues of effective management of transboundary resources, especially in the context of growing climate change,” said **Askhat Orazbay**, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the International Fund for Saving the Aral Sea (EC IFAS). He highlighted the activities of the project “Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Program in the Aral Sea Basin” (CAMP4ASB), which has become crucial in strengthening regional cooperation and building resilience to climate change in Central Asia and has achieved success, including with the support of EC IFAS.

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Water resources

Parliamentarians of Uzbekistan take part in the World Water Forum 21/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Parliamentarians of Uzbekistan take part in the 10th World Water Forum, held in Indonesia under the slogan “Water for shared prosperity”. This was reported by the Senate press service.

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More water expected in Central Asia this year compared to last year 21/05/2024

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The favorable weather has led to the fullness of the two main rivers in Central Asia - the Amu Darya and the Syr Darya.

"Due to precipitation this year, a good level of water is expected in the Amu Darya and Syr Darya rivers. Currently, the water levels are anticipated to match those of last year. It is projected that the Syr Darya will have 85-90% of its usual water volume, while the Amu Darya will have 90-95%," said Shavkat Hamroyev, the Minister of Water Resources of Uzbekistan, Avesta reports.

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President Serdar Berdimuhamedov took part in the opening of a new waterworks facility in the capital 22/05/2024

Today, President Serdar Berdimuhamedov took part in a solemn opening ceremony of a new important project - a water-purifying construction «Bagtyýarlyk» with a daily capacity of 150 thousand cubic metres of water.

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Energy sector

Central Asian energy specialists discuss region's water and energy resources 23/05/2024

Representatives from the energy sector and energy experts from Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan, and Kyrgyzstan, as well as Russian experts as observers, discussed the issues of efficient use of water resources through hydraulic structures during the 2024 irrigation period, Uzbek media reports.

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Uzbekistan and Russia sign an agreement on the construction of small nuclear power plants 27/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Uzbekistan and Russia signed an agreement on cooperation in the construction of small nuclear power plants.

The document was signed on 27 May 2024 following negotiations between the President of Uzbekistan Shavkat Mirziyoyev and the President of Russia Vladimir Putin in Tashkent.

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A nuclear power plant to be built in Jizzakh region 27/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Uzbekistan and Russia will build a small nuclear power plant (SNP) in Jizzakh region. This is stated in a press release from Uzatom.

During the state visit of the President of Russia to Uzbekistan, Director General of the Rosatom State Corporation Alexey Likhachev and Director of the Atomic Energy Agency under the Cabinet of Ministers of the Republic of Uzbekistan Azim Akhmedkhadjaev exchanged documents on expanding cooperation for the construction of a small nuclear power plant according to a Russian project in Uzbekistan.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Uzbekistan transfers humanitarian aid to Afghanistan 22/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) – In line with the order of President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, Uzbekistan sent humanitarian aid to Afghanistan.

Humanitarian aid is intended for residents of Afghanistan affected by severe flooding. This was reported by the press service of the khokimiyat of the Surkhandarya region. The cargo was delivered to Balkh province.

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Countries of Central Asia intend to build logistics hub in Afghanistan 23/05/2024

Afghanistan, Kazakhstan, and Turkmenistan plan to build a logistics hub in Herat province, *Eurasia Today* reports.

This hub will facilitate the export of Russian oil to South Asia by rail. Such developments could encourage Russia and Pakistan to sign a strategic energy deal.

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Companies from Uzbekistan are showing interest in oil and gas fields of Afghanistan 25/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Investors from Uzbekistan are showing interest in the oil and gas fields of Afghanistan, reports TOLONews with reference to the Ministry

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of Mines and Petroleum of Afghanistan.

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Afghanistan plans to hold trade exhibition in Uzbekistan in June 27/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Afghanistan plans to hold a trade exhibition in Uzbekistan in June, the TOLONews portal reported with reference to the Afghan Minister of Industry and Trade Noruddin Azizi.

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Cooperation between Central Asian countries

Turkmen and Uzbek universities discussed the topic of using GIS technologies in agriculture 21/05/2024

Samarkand State Veterinary University medicine, livestock and biotechnology and Turkmen agricultural institute organized a joint online training on the topic "Use of GIS technologies in compiling soil maps of irrigated areas".

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Central Asia, to achieve subjectivity, must overcome internal contradictions – experts 24/05/2024

Participants of the international conference "The Image of the Future of Central Asian Countries in a Changing World 2024: Global Threats and Challenges. Allies and Opponents in Solving Economic and Humanitarian Problems," organized by the Center for Expert Initiatives "Oy Ordo" in partnership with the Information-Analytical Portal "Vostochny Ekspres 24" in Bishkek, raised the question: Are there prospects for the initiative to create a Central Asian Union?

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Experts identified main threats to Central Asian countries 24/05/2024

The prospects for the development of Central Asian countries, taking into account existing global challenges and their reflection in the regional foreign policy agenda, were discussed by participants of the international conference: "The Image of the Future of Central Asian Countries in a Changing World 2024: Global Threats and Challenges. Allies and Opponents in Addressing Economic and Humanitarian Issues," which took place in Bishkek. The event was organized by the Center for Expert Initiatives "Oy Ordo" and the

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information-analytical portal "Vostochny Express 24".

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Tokayev explained why Kazakhstan maintains neutrality in foreign policy 24/05/2024

Kazakhstan maintains neutrality in foreign policy, and this is a conscious choice that is a strength of the state, stated Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev during a lecture in Singapore, where he was on an official visit from May 22-23, Kursiv.kz reports.

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Kyrgyzstan and Kazakhstan plan to increase trade turnover to \$3 bln 24/05/2024

Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of Kyrgyzstan Akyzbek Japarov, during his participation in the next meeting of the Council of Heads of Government of the CIS countries in Ashgabat (Turkmenistan), met with Prime Minister of Kazakhstan Olzhas Bektenov, 24.kg reports.

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