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Climate Change and Environment

BORIY ALIKHANOV: CAREC NEEDS TO INCREASE THE INTENSITY OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND CENTRAL ASIAN PARLIAMENTARIANS 28/05/2024

Dr Boriy Alikhanov, Chairman of the Committee on Development and Ecology of Aral Sea region of the Senate of the Oliy Majlis of the Republic of Uzbekistan, highly appreciated the work of the platform of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and parliamentarians of the Central Asian countries.

According to him, Uzbekistan received synergy and expressed an urgent request to

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continue the work of the dialogue platform of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and parliamentarians of Central Asia.

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Kazakh capital to host 1st National Art - Eco Festival 31/05/2024

The 1st National Art - Eco Festival Aiala will be held in the Kazakh capital on June 1, International Children's Day, Kazinform News Agency learnt from the Kazakh Culture and Information Ministry.

It is a unique opportunity for pupils from Kazakhstan to express environmental care through art.

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International partners discussed support for Turkmenistan's efforts to implement the climate agenda 03/06/2024

On May 31, 2024, the seventh coordination meeting of the Climate Group of Development Partners to accelerate Turkmenistan's progress in fulfilling its international obligations under the Paris Agreement took place at the Ecological Training and Carbon Training Center of the Bouygues Turkmen Company in Ashgabat. The meeting was organized by the UNDP Country Office in cooperation with the British Embassy in Turkmenistan.

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Water resources

Kazakhstan preparing water management system development concept for 2024/30 28/05/2024

Kazakhstan loses over two cubic kilometers of water due to aging infrastructure in irrigated agriculture, deputy water resources and irrigation minister Yerbolat Ibraikhanov said, Kazinform News Agency correspondent reports.

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PCC RANKS WATER SCARCITY IN CENTRAL ASIA IN THE TOP OF FIVE GLOBAL RISKS 29/05/2024

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Dr. **Alisher Mirzabaev**, former Working Group II Lead Author, IPCC, reported that large increases in temperature extremes are observed in West and Central Asia for the past century.

IPCC observed changes of precipitation in Central Asia. Thus, decreased precipitation and increased evapotranspiration leads to drought increase and surface runoff decrease.

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Potential of watercourses in Kyrgyzstan utilized only at 13% 30/05/2024

The importance of interaction between the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf and Central Asia was emphasized by the Minister of Energy of Kyrgyzstan, Taalaibek Ibraev, speaking at the investment forum 'Cooperation Council for the Arab States + Central Asia' in Riyadh, *Akchabar* reports.

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DUSHANBE WATER PROCESS. The capital of Tajikistan to host a high-level Forum called “Woman and Water” 30/05/2024

DUSHANBE, 30.05.2024 /NIAT Khovar/. Within the framework of the Third High-Level International Conference on the International Decade of Action “Water for Sustainable Development, 2018-2028”, which will be held from June 10 to 13 this year in Dushanbe, a High-Level Forum entitled “Woman and Water” will be held on June 10 in the capital of the Republic of Tajikistan.

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DUSHANBE WATER PROCESS. International Parliamentary Forum Will Gather Parliamentarians from More Than 20 Countries 03/06/2024

DUSHANBE, 03.05.2024 /NIAT «Khovar»/— In order to implement the global initiatives of the President of the Republic of Tajikistan, Leader of the Nation His Excellency Emomali Rahmon and taking into account the active role in solving water-related issues at the level of world parliaments, especially in the Asia-Pacific region, Majlisi Namoyandagon Majlisi Oli of the Republic of Tajikistan within the framework of the Third Dushanbe Water Conference to host an International Parliamentary Forum entitled “Water Resources and Demographic Sustainability for the interest of Youth”.

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The Qosh Tepa canal causes water shortages in Central Asian downstream nations of Uzbekistan and Turkmenistan 03/06/2024

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CABAR.asia reported on May 30 that its correspondent has visited the border area between Uzbekistan and Afghanistan to see how the construction of the Qosh Tepa canal by Afghanistan is affecting the irrigation system in Uzbekistan.

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The Netherlands to share its expertise in water management with Kazakhstan – expert 03/06/2024

Kazakhstan will enlist help of one of its most long-standing partners in Europe, the Netherlands, to mitigate the consequences of colossal floods that hit some of its regions this spring. On top of that, as per two memorandums inked between Kazakhstan and the Netherlands in the sphere of water management cooperation following Mark Rutte's visit, Astana and Amsterdam have commenced the development of a detailed plan to exchange experience in that field.

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Uzbekistan and Switzerland sign agreement on National Water Resources Management Project 03/06/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) – In a significant step towards sustainable water management, The Government of the Republic of Uzbekistan represented by the Ministry of Water Resources (MoWR) and the Government of Switzerland represented by the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) signed the Agreement on the National Water Resources Management Project (NWRM) in Uzbekistan, Phase 3. The Agreement was signed by Mr. Konstantin Obolensky, the Ambassador of the Swiss Confederation to Uzbekistan and Minister of Water Resources of the Republic of Uzbekistan Mr. Shavkat Khamraev.

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Energy sector

WB allocates additional funds for construction of Kambar-Ata-1 HPP in Kyrgyzstan 28/05/2024

The World Bank will provide Kyrgyzstan with additional financing of \$13.6 million to support the technical assistance of the Kambar-Ata-1 Hydroelectric Power Plant, the Ministry of Energy of Kyrgyzstan informed.

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Kazakh energy ministry reveals candidate-countries for construction of nuclear power plant 28/05/2024

Russia, China, France and South Korea have been prequalified for the construction of a nuclear power plant in Kazakhstan, the country's energy minister Almassadam Satkaliyev said, Kazinform News Agency correspondent reports.

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Tajikistan, IFC sign MoU on development of geothermal energy 03/06/2024

The Ministry of Energy and Water Resources of Tajikistan and the International Finance Corporation (IFC) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on the development of geothermal energy in the country, Trend reports.

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Afghanistan's multilateral relationship with CA countries

Afghan officials told what could improve Russian-Afghan relations 30/05/2024

Improvement of official relations between Moscow and Kabul is possible if Russia removes the Taliban movement from the list of terrorist organizations, said Zakir Jalali, an advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs in the Afghan government, TASS reports .

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Factors influencing exclusion of Taliban by CSTO countries from list of terrorist organizations 03/06/2024

Kazakhstan has removed the Taliban from the list of terrorist organizations in order to develop economic ties with the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan, Kazakh President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev said recently.

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Cooperation between Central Asian countries

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Tashkent hosts expert conference on security issues in Central Asia – EU format 28/06/2024

The International Institute for Central Asia (IICA) hosted an expert conference “Central Asia – the European Union: a new agenda for security cooperation”, UZA reported.

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The results of a joint project on peacebuilding in the border areas of Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan have been summed up 30/05/2024

Tashkent, Uzbekistan (UzDaily.com) -- Strengthening peace and achieving stability for the prosperity of multinational communities, especially in border areas, requires the collective efforts of all parties, including national institutions, authorities and the population as a whole.

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EU announces commitment to invest €10 billion in sustainable transport connectivity in Central Asia 01/06/2024

Led by Mr. Henrik Hololei, Hors Class Adviser of the Directorate General for International Partnerships of the European Commission, the high-level mission took place to Tajikistan on May 30-31.

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Director of the IIR Center for Strategic Studies of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan discussed cooperation with the International Institute of Central Asia 01/06/2024

A meeting with Director of the Center for Strategic Studies of the Institute of International Relations (IIR) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Turkmenistan Shiri Shiryev took place at the International Institute of Central Asia (IICA) in Tashkent. This is reported by the National News Agency of Uzbekistan.

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