Azerbaijan, ECO adopt Baku Declaration on energy co-op

Azerbaijan and the Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) have adopted “Baku Declaration” on energy cooperation during the 4th ECO Energy Ministerial Meeting held online on June 22-23, the energy ministry’s press service has reported. The document provides for broad cooperation between ECO member countries in the crude oil, natural gas, petrochemicals and petroleum products supply, the development of electricity networks, regional trade in electricity, clean energy sources, energy efficiency, financing clean energy transition in line with global steps to combat climate change. High on...full story

Water intake begins at Kabul’s Shah Wa Arus dam

Water intake has begun at Shah wa Arus dam, located in Kabul’s Shakardara district. A number of residents of Shakardara by welcoming the start of intaking water at the dam say they witness this after along time. They said Afghans have been facing with drought for the past few year in various parts of the country; therefore, they were happy upon seeing drop of water in such dams. “The government has carried out practical works for the improvement of people’s life condition in the past 20 years, showing the government’s continued...full story
Iran ready to host ECO Clean Energy Center

Iranian Energy Minister Reza Ardakanian has announced the Islamic Republic's readiness for hosting the Economic Cooperation Organization's (ECO) Center for Clean Energy, IRIB reported. Speaking at the ECO's 4th ministerial meeting on Thursday, Ardakanian stated that the Iranian Energy Ministry has several programs for the development of energy exchange with the countries of the region on the agenda so that the country's geopolitical capacity can be maximally used in global energy markets. He further suggested that ECO should establish a regional energy corridor to promote cooperation, exchange of knowledge and experience, and use the capacities and potentials of the countries in the region. Creating such a corridor can lead to the ...full story

New Wind Farm in Aktobe Region to Expand Kazakhstan’s Wind Power Capacity

Badamsha-2 will be the second wind farm built in the Badamsha village of the Aktobe region. The full use of the first wind farm in Badamsha began in March 2020. Since then, the wind power plant farm with a capacity of 48 megawatts was able to increase the wind power capacity of Kazakhstan by 25 percent. With a design life of 25 years, Badamsha is expected to provide the Aktobe region with 198 gigawatt-hours of electricity annually, while preventing carbon dioxide emissions equal to 172,000 tons per year. This joint project of Eni company and General Electric also currently employs 15 people. According to experts, Kazakhstan has a huge potential for the use of renewable energy sources for the transition to green energy, which is a growing sector of the global economy. Last year, the U.S. Agency for International ...full story
Kyrgyzstan

President of Kyrgyzstan to pay official visit to Turkmenistan

President of Kyrgyzstan Sadyr Zhaparov will be on an official visit to Turkmenistan from June 27 through June 28, 2021, Trend reports with reference to the press service of the president of Kyrgyzstan. During the visit, the head of Kyrgyzstan will hold talks with President of Turkmenistan Gurbanguly Berdimuhamedov. The presidents will discuss priority areas of bilateral and multilateral cooperation, as well as topical issues of interaction within the framework of regional and international organizations, the report says. Previously, the leadership of the Union ...

Pakistan

Uzbek official invites Pakistani businessmen

Uzbekistan Namangan Region Deputy Governor Inamov Okibjon Odiljonovich has invited Pakistani businessmen to visit Uzbekistan and take advantage of the opportunities by entering joint ventures with their Uzbek counterparts. Addressing the business community at the Lahore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) on Saturday, he said that Uzbekistan was keen to enhance trade relations with Pakistan, as both countries had great potential to cooperate with each other in many areas of economy. He identified pharmaceutical, tourism, agriculture, food processing, ...

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Tajikistan & Afghanistan Ready to Develop Trade & Economic Co-op

The Minister of Economic Development and Trade Zavki Zavkizoda met with the Minister of Economy Afghanistan Karima Hamid Faryabi as part of the SCO Economic Forum on the topic “Strengthening Cooperation in the Digital Economy, E-Commerce and Innovation.” The meeting focused on the development of trade and economic cooperation between Tajikistan and Afghanistan. The ministers exchanged views on increasing mutual trade turnover, creation joint industrial enterprises in free economic zones with the involvement of investors from Afghanistan, and the implementation of the CASA-1000 project. Following the meeting, the parties expressed their readiness to work on the development of mutually beneficial cooperation....end of story

Turkey’s energy map becomes greener as renewables expand country-wide

Turkey’s renewables expansion, driven by hydro, wind and solar energies, places the province of İzmir as a leader in wind power and Konya as a pioneer in solar energy, data compiled by the state-run Anadolu Agency reveals. Of the country’s total renewables capacity of 50,990 megawatts (MW), hydropower stood at 31,280 MW, wind power reached 9,543 MW and solar totaled 7,070 MW. Turkey also has a sizable geothermal capacity at 1,595 MW. With over $50 billion investment in renewables, renewable capacity accounted for 52.5 percent of the country’s total installed electricity, which at the end of April reached 92,377 MW. Turkey’s total renewable capacity, which varies across the country in terms of resources, corresponds to about 1.7 percent worldwide.....full story
Turkmenistan’s new airport receives int'l certificate of compliance

The International Airport in Kerki of Turkmenistan was awarded a four-letter UTAE code by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and a Certificate of Compliance with International standards issued by Munich International Airport, Trend reports with reference to the State News Agency of Turkmenistan. The ICAO indicates the geographical location of the aviation service that regulates communication between fixed points. The certificate of conformity issued by Munich International Airport confirms that all the parameters of the airport comply with international norms and standards. The opening of the new airport took place on June 23, 2021. The new airport in Kerki was the largest infrastructure project in Turkmenistan’s Lebap region. According to the contract, the airport in Kerki with a capacity of 100 passengers per hour was to ...full story

Uzbekistan’s strategy to build greater trans-regional connectivity

With the election of President Shavkat Mirziyoyev, Uzbekistan took a course towards pursuing an open, proactive, pragmatic and constructive foreign policy in order to create an area of mutually beneficial cooperation, stability and sustainable development in Central Asia. The new approaches of official Tashkent found comprehensive support in all the capitals of Central Asia, which became the basis for positive changes in the region. In particular, in recent years, there has been a qualitative shift in Central Asia towards strengthening regional cooperation. A systematic political dialogue based on the principles of good-neighborliness, mutual respect and equality has been established between the leaders ... full story