

Aktuelle Hinweise Iran

Iran announces presidential candidates

Iran announced 7 approved presidential candidates for the presidential election on 18th June 2021. The candidates are

Seyed Ebrahim Raisi, Head of the Judiciary of the country,
Said Dschalili, President of the High National Security Council of Iran,
Mohsen Resai, Member of the Revolutionary Guard,
Aliresa Sakani, Head of National Parliamentary Research Center,
Mohsen Mehrnalisadeh, Former Head of the National Sports Organisation (1997-2005),
Abdulnaser Hemmati, Head of the Central Bank of Iran
Amir-Hossein Ghasisadeh, Member of the Iranian Parliament.

Iran opens new Goreh-Jask oil export pipeline

Iran opened the Goreh-Jask pipeline and started the transfer of crude oil from the Goreh Oil Terminal to the facilities near the port of Jask, according to the Islamic Republic News Agency (IRNA). Further details on the size or volume of the transfer were not given. The pipeline has a length of 1,000 kilometres and a capacity of one million barrels daily and is located in the southern Hormozgan province. It will provide Iran with an alternative route for crude oil exports that are currently transferred through the Strait of Hormuz.

Iran and China open center on small and medium industries' cooperation

On June 2nd 2021, Iran and China opened a center on cooperation between small and medium industries within the two countries and signed a memorandum of cooperation between Shanghai's international association of small and medium-sized industries and the Iranian organisation of small industries and industrial complexes. According to H.E. Ramezan Parvaz, Iran's Consul General in Shanghai, the new center should facilitate the exchange of information and sharing of experiences to resolve the problems of both sides. He sees suitable economic parameters at Iran's market that make the market attractive and promising for Chinese companies and hopes to provide an attractive ground for cooperation between Iranian and Chinese companies. Only a few months ago in February, the Iranian Foreign Minister H.E. Javad Zarif encouraged the close cooperation between Tehran and Beijing, expressing that strategic relations remain unaffected by international developments.

Iran and Iraq to reach agreements on customs affairs and joint investments

A delegation including ministers from Iran and Iraq, led by Iranian Economy Minister H.E. Farhad Dejpasand and Iraq's Finance Minister H.E. Ali Abdul-Amir Allawi, agreed on plans to promote cooperation on customs affairs to pave the way for the expansion of capacity for transportation between the two countries and for joint investment as well as even closer trade ties between Tehran and Baghdad. According to H.E. Dejpasand, the new agreements push plans to address the problems relating to customs, exchange experiences in customs affairs and facilitate the activities of the two countries' business people. Another issue the parties agreed on was the expansion of the capacity for the transportation of rail passengers and cargo between Iran and Iraq and the building of new industrial complexes.

Latest trade figures EU-Iran Q1 2021

According to the latest statistics from the European Trade Centre, the volume of trade between Iran and 27 European countries amounted to EUR 1.089bn in the first quarter of 2021, a 6% decrease compared to the same period last year. From January to March 2021, Europe exported EUR 891.3m to Iran, a decrease of 4% compared to the same period in 2020. Iran's exports in the first quarter of 2021 also decreased, the country exported EUR 197.8m to the EU during this period. The volume of trade between Iran and the EU was EUR 383.3m in March this year, up 4% compared to February. Iran exported EUR 75.4m to Europe in March this year, an increase of 27% compared to the same month last year.