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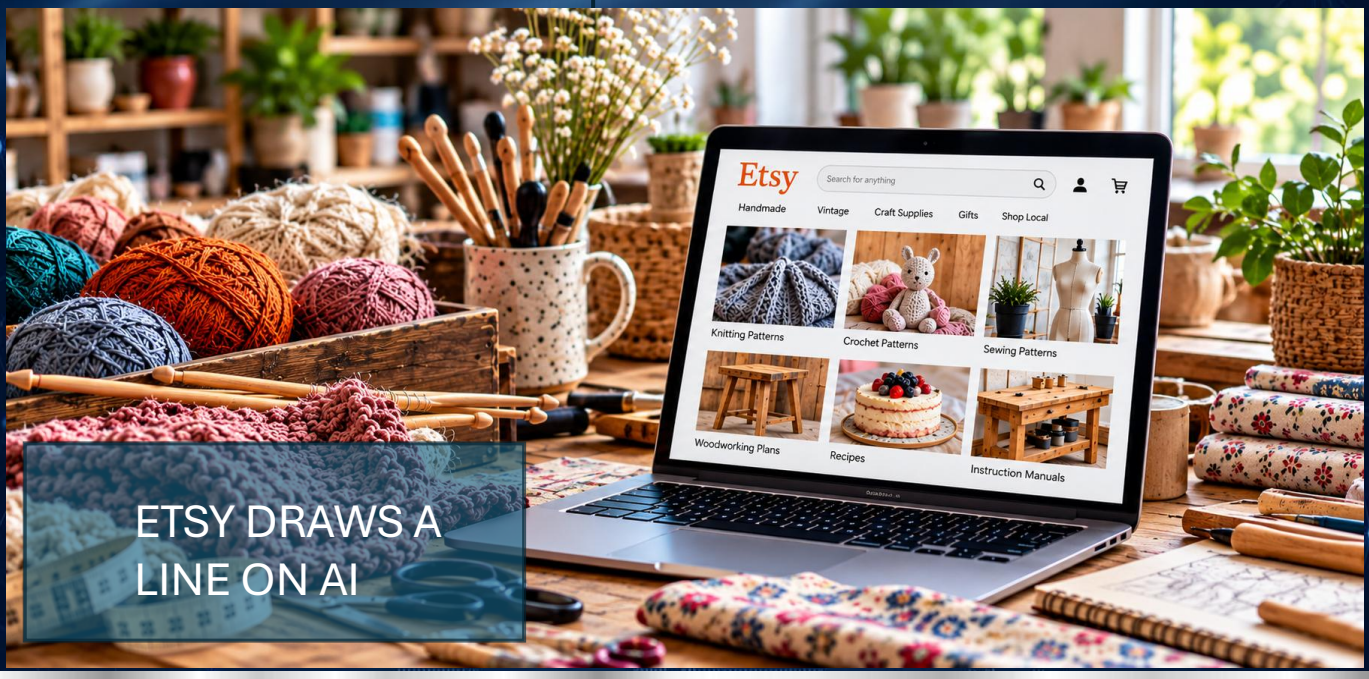
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ETSY DRAWS A LINE ON AI

Etsy, the online marketplace built on handmade goods, announced on 22 October that it is banning AI-generated instructional products. The ban covers knitting, crochet and sewing patterns, recipes, woodworking plans and instruction manuals, as well as fully automated listings created without individual human input. Existing listings get no grace period to comply.

Most listings must now include at least one unedited photo of the real item on a real background, and pattern and recipe sellers must show a genuine photo of the finished result. AI-assisted digital art can still be sold if the AI use is disclosed. Etsy admitted it had not always addressed sellers' AI concerns as directly or as quickly as they would have liked..



TECHNOLOGY | AI | E-COMMERCE | CRAFTS Source: Etsy, CNBC, NBC News, Value Added Resource, Oct 2026 · Edited & presented by GSR Analytix



CHINA'S ECONOMY PICKS UP PACE

China's economy grew 4.5% year on year in the third quarter of 2026, up from 4.3% in the second quarter, the National Bureau of Statistics said on 19 October. Growth over the first nine months reached 4.6%, in line with the official annual target, with total output of about 107.1 trillion yuan, roughly $15.9 trillion.



Industry did the heavy lifting: industrial output rose 5.3%, with equipment manufacturing up 10.2% and high-tech manufacturing up 14.3%. Consumers were more cautious, as retail sales of goods rose just 1.1% in the first three quarters while spending on services grew 5%. Officials said the economy is shifting towards innovation-driven growth.

ECONOMY | CHINA | GDP | MANUFACTURING Source: National Bureau of Statistics of China, Xinhua, Oct 2026 · Edited & presented by GSR Analytix



THE TRAIN THAT WAITED FOR THE SUN

Since 1871, accounts of early space weather have told of a train in Exeter, England, held for 16 minutes on the night of 18 October 1841 when a solar storm disrupted the railway's telegraph. Scientists led by Professor Jim Wild of Lancaster University have now shown the year was wrong: the Exeter-to-Starcross line named in the story only opened in 1846.

By comparing railway timetables, newspaper reports, aurora sightings and digitised magnetic records, the team moved the event to 18 October 1848. The 1841 date in an anonymous 1871 article in Nature was probably a typo. Published in the journal Space Weather, the study shows that solar storms have been disrupting infrastructure for nearly two centuries.



SCIENCE | SPACE WEATHER | HISTORY | UK
Source: Lancaster University, RMIT University, Space Weather (AGU), Oct 2026 · Edited & presented by GSR Analytix



THE GHOST SNAIL OF YUNNAN

Scientists have described Erhaia dijiang, the first freshwater cave snail documented in China. The tiny snail lives in a cave in Yuxi City, Yunnan Province, at 2,062 metres, the highest altitude yet recorded for a cave snail in its family. It has lost its eyes entirely, and has a nearly transparent shell and a colourless body.

Its name honours Di Jiang, a faceless mountain god from the ancient Chinese text Classic of Mountains and Seas. The snail is so sensitive to light that it hides under rocks when exposed. In their first survey, researchers found only three living adults and one empty shell, and describe its conservation outlook as ‘far from optimistic’. The study appears in Subterranean Biology.

NATURE | BIODIVERSITY | CAVES | CHINA Source: Subterranean Biology / Pensoft Publishers, Oct 2026 · Edited & presented by GSR Analytix

The 46th Princess of Asturias Awards were presented on 23 October at the Campoamor Theatre in Oviedo, Spain. This year's laureates include singer and poet Patti Smith, novelist Julian Barnes, Studio Ghibli, astronaut Christina Koch, historian Timothy Garton Ash and footballer Lionel Messi, whose arrival brought crowds of fans to the city.

Several winners spoke of hope at a time of widespread disillusionment. Princess Leonor told Julian Barnes that “No AI will ever be able to replicate the emotion stirred by your work”, and closed her speech with a line from a Studio Ghibli film: “The wind rises, we must try to live!” King Felipe VI and Queen Letizia presided over the ceremony. CULTURE | AWARDS



| LITERATURE | SPAIN
Source: Princess of Asturias Foundation, Euronews, Oct 2026 · Edited & presented by GSR Analytix



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AMAZING DESTINATIONS

LOCAL CUISINE

UNIQUE STAYS

TRAVEL INSIGHTS

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(Japan) JAPAN LAUNCHES MISSION TO MARS'S MOON PHOBOS

JAXA's MMX probe lifted off on an H3 rocket on 20 October. It aims to be the first to orbit Phobos and bring its soil back to Earth.

Source: JAXA / European Space Agency

(UK) WESTMINSTER ABBEY'S ROMAN COFFIN MYSTERY SOLVED

Radiocarbon dating shows a Roman sarcophagus found in 1869 was reused for a man who died around 1020, probably Abbot Aelfwig.

Source: Journal of the British Archaeological Association

(Euro Area) EURO AREA INFLATION CLIMBS TO 3.8%

Inflation rose to 3.8% in September from 3.2% in August, driven by an 18.9% jump in energy prices. Romania was highest at 6.5%.

Source: Eurostat

(Global) ORIONID METEORS LIGHT UP THE SKY

The Orionid shower, made of debris from Halley's Comet, peaked on 21–22 October with about 20 meteors an hour, hitting the air at 66 km/s.

Source: NASA / Live Science

(Global) MOST CORAL REEF ECOSYSTEMS FACE COLLAPSE RISK

An IUCN assessment finds about 96% of shallow-water reef systems are critically endangered and could disappear by 2075, mainly due to ocean warming.

Source: IUCN / AP

(Armenia) UN BIODIVERSITY SUMMIT COP17 OPENS IN YEREVAN

More than 10,000 delegates are reviewing the halfway point of the 2030 global nature goals. Fewer than half of the assessed targets are on track.

Source: Convention on Biological Diversity / Down To Earth

(USA) FISH OIL FAILS TO PROTECT THE AGEING BRAIN

A two-year USC trial of 365 older adults found daily DHA supplements reached the brain but did not improve memory or slow brain shrinkage.

Source: Keck Medicine of USC / eBioMedicine

(Türkiye) FIRST MOSAIC FOUND AT KÜLTEPE IN 78 YEARS

A 2,000-year-old Hellenistic mosaic floor was uncovered at Kültepe-Kanesh in Kayseri, the first such find since digs began in 1948.

Source: Ministry of Culture and Tourism of Türkiye

(Germany) AMAZON TO INVEST OVER €16 BILLION IN GERMANY

Amazon plans to invest more than €16 billion in Germany in 2027, including €4.8 billion for its AWS cloud region in Frankfurt.

Source: Reuters / Amazon

(Egypt) TWO COLOSSAL RAMSES II STATUES UNEARTHED

Fragments of two giant statues of Ramses II were found in Gharbia, in the Nile Delta. One head alone stands 1.6 metres tall.

Source: Egyptian Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities

(UK) UK INFLATION RISES TO 3.5%

UK consumer prices rose 3.5% in the year to September, up from 3.1% in August. Motor fuels were the biggest upward driver.

Source: Office for National Statistics

(Spain) ANCIENT NEANDERTHAL HAND FOUND IN NAVARRE

Hand bones from a male Neanderthal who lived 46,000 years ago, among the last in the region, were found in Abauntz Cave. They still hold ancient DNA.

Source: IPHES / Government of Navarra

(Australia) DRONES REVEAL HIDDEN ABORIGINAL ROCK ART

A LiDAR drone survey in the Blue Mountains found three unregistered rock shelters with rock art and stone tools.

Source: University of Sydney / Remote Sensing

(Global) WHO STEPS UP EBOLA READINESS IN 22 COUNTRIES

WHO is strengthening Ebola preparedness across its Eastern Mediterranean region, with Djibouti, Somalia and Sudan as priority countries.

Source: World Health Organization / UN News

(Germany) GERMANY AND NVIDIA TEAM UP ON INDUSTRIAL AI

Germany signed a declaration of intent with Nvidia on 19 October to develop AI for physical systems such as factory robots, building on its industrial strength.

Source: NVIDIA / German Federal Government

(USA) PERSEVERANCE SETS OFF-WORLD DRIVING RECORD

NASA's Perseverance rover has driven 45.22 km on Mars, passing Opportunity's 45.16 km to become the farthest-travelled vehicle on another world.

Source: NASA / JPL

(Kiribati) EARHART SEARCH ON NIKUMARORO FINDS NO PLANE

An expedition found that a plane-shaped object in a lagoon was likely trees, not Amelia Earhart's Electra. The castaway theory remains.

Source: Purdue University / CNN

(USA) SALESFORCE AGREES TO BUY BRAZE FOR $5.66 BILLION

Salesforce will acquire customer engagement platform Braze for $47.50 a share in cash, subject to shareholder and regulatory approval.

Source: Salesforce / Braze SEC filing / Reuters

Market Pulse

GLOBAL MARKETS
REAL TRENDS
A CHANGING WORLD



Markets are navigating a complex landscape in 2026, shaped by geopolitical shifts, commodity dynamics, monetary policy and the accelerating transition to a low-carbon, digital economy. While uncertainty remains, new opportunities are emerging across regions and sectors.

GLOBAL GDP OUTLOOK

Real GDP growth, % change

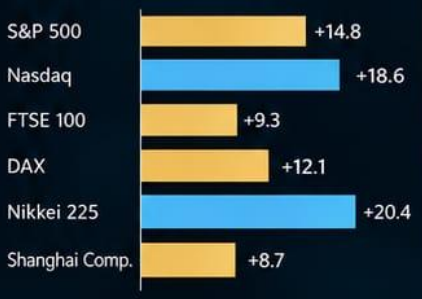


KEY TAKEAWAYS

- Global growth is expected to strengthen to 3.4% in 2027, supported by resilient emerging markets.
- Disinflation continues, but central banks are likely to remain cautious.
- Investment is accelerating in clean energy, digital infrastructure and critical minerals.
- Geopolitical risks, trade tensions and commodity volatility remain key challenges.

MAJOR INDICES

Year to date performance (%)



KEY COMMODITIES

Latest price (USD) and 1-year change



Brent Crude
$78.4/bbl
+6% ▲



Gold
$2,365/oz
+18% ▲



Copper
$9,280/ton
+11% ▲



Natural Gas
$3.2/MMBtu
-8% ▼

CURRENCIES

Year to date change vs. USD (%)



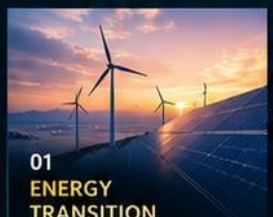
10-YEAR GOVERNMENT BONDS

Latest yield (%)



SECTORS IN FOCUS

From energy to technology, key industries are shaping the global economy and creating new opportunities for investment and growth.



01 ENERGY TRANSITION

Renewable energy, storage and grid investments are accelerating worldwide.



02 TECHNOLOGY & AI

AI infrastructure and semiconductors are driving the next wave of growth.



03 CRITICAL MINERALS

Demand for lithium, copper and other critical minerals continues to rise.



04 MANUFACTURING & INDUSTRY

Automation and smart manufacturing are boosting efficiency and resilience.



05 TRAVEL & TOURISM

Global travel demand is recovering, creating new opportunities for destinations and businesses.

INDUSTRY IN FOCUS

THE FUTURE OF AVIATION

SMART AIRPORTS

CONNECTING A MORE EFFICIENT, SUSTAINABLE WORLD



Airports are evolving from transit hubs into intelligent, connected ecosystems. Driven by AI, automation and sustainability, the next generation of airports will be faster, safer, greener and more passenger-centric.

8.6 Billion
Passengers expected by 2040
+3.8% annual growth

100+
Major airports under expansion
Globally by 2030

-55%
Target reduction in airport emissions
By 2050 (vs 2019)

AI & Automation
Transforming terminal operations
Across the globe

SEAMLESS PASSENGER JOURNEYS

Biometric identification, digital travel credentials and AI-powered guidance are making airports faster and more convenient.



- Biometric check-in and boarding
- Digital travel credentials
- Shorter queues and waiting times
- Personalized, stress-free experience

INTELLIGENT TERMINALS

AI, robotics and data-driven systems are optimizing airport operations and improving real-time decision making.



- Autonomous robots and vehicles
- AI-powered operations control
- Real-time data and predictive analytics
- Higher safety and security standards

GREENER AIRPORTS

From renewable energy to smart energy management, airports are leading the transition to low-carbon aviation.



- Renewable energy and energy efficiency
- Electric ground support equipment
- Water recycling and waste reduction
- Sustainable terminal design

THE NEXT-GENERATION AIRPORT

SMARTER. GREENER. MORE CONNECTED.



AI & AUTOMATION
Smarter and more efficient operations

SUSTAINABILITY
Lower emissions and greener infrastructure

CONNECTIVITY
Seamless global networks and intermodal links

BETTER EXPERIENCE
More comfort, convenience and personalized services

INDUSTRY IN FOCUS

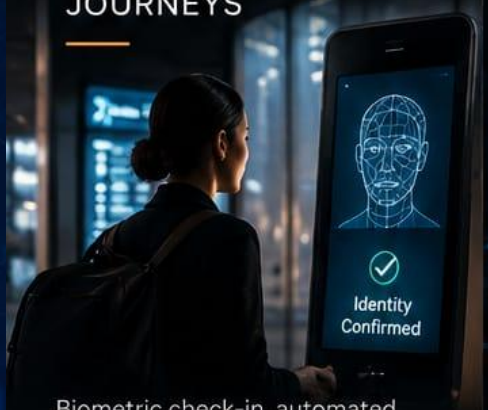
SMART AIRPORTS

A NEW ERA OF TRAVEL

Airports are transforming into intelligent, connected ecosystems. From seamless check-in to AI-driven operations, the next generation of airports is designed to be faster, smarter and more sustainable.



SEAMLESS JOURNEYS



Biometric check-in, automated security and contactless boarding make travel faster and smoother from curb to gate.

AI-DRIVEN OPERATIONS



Artificial intelligence optimizes everything from flight scheduling to baggage handling, reducing delays and improving efficiency.

FUTURE-READY TERMINALS



Next-generation terminals combine smart technology with better passenger experiences — from automated services to greener, more comfortable spaces.



A MORE SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

Smart airports are also greener airports, using renewable energy, energy-efficient systems and data-driven solutions to reduce their environmental footprint.

CLEAN ENERGY

LESS WASTE

LOWER EMISSIONS

GREENER TERMINALS

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SOLUTIONS
THAT PERFORM

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TOUGHER
SMARTER
CLEANER
GREENER



SCREEN MATS
Durable. Recyclable.
Smooth running.

VARIA
The smart modular system.
Quick installation.
Always the right fit.

IDEAL
Maximum open area.
Simply universal.

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Higher dewatering performance.
Less surface moisture.
Better drying.

PROVEN PERFORMANCE. REAL BENEFITS.

+1,100 %
LONGER SERVICE LIFE
with rubber in dry processing
(compared to wire screens)

+400 %
LONGER SERVICE LIFE
with polyurethane in wet processing
(compared to wire screens)

+50 %
LARGER OPEN SCREEN AREA
with KÜPER MAX systems

+50 %
HIGHER CAPACITY
with CLEAN rubber for critical materials

–50 %
SHORTER CHANGE-OUT TIMES
with KÜPER modular systems

–40 %
LOWER WEIGHT
for reduced operating energy consumption

APPLICATIONS ACROSS INDUSTRIES

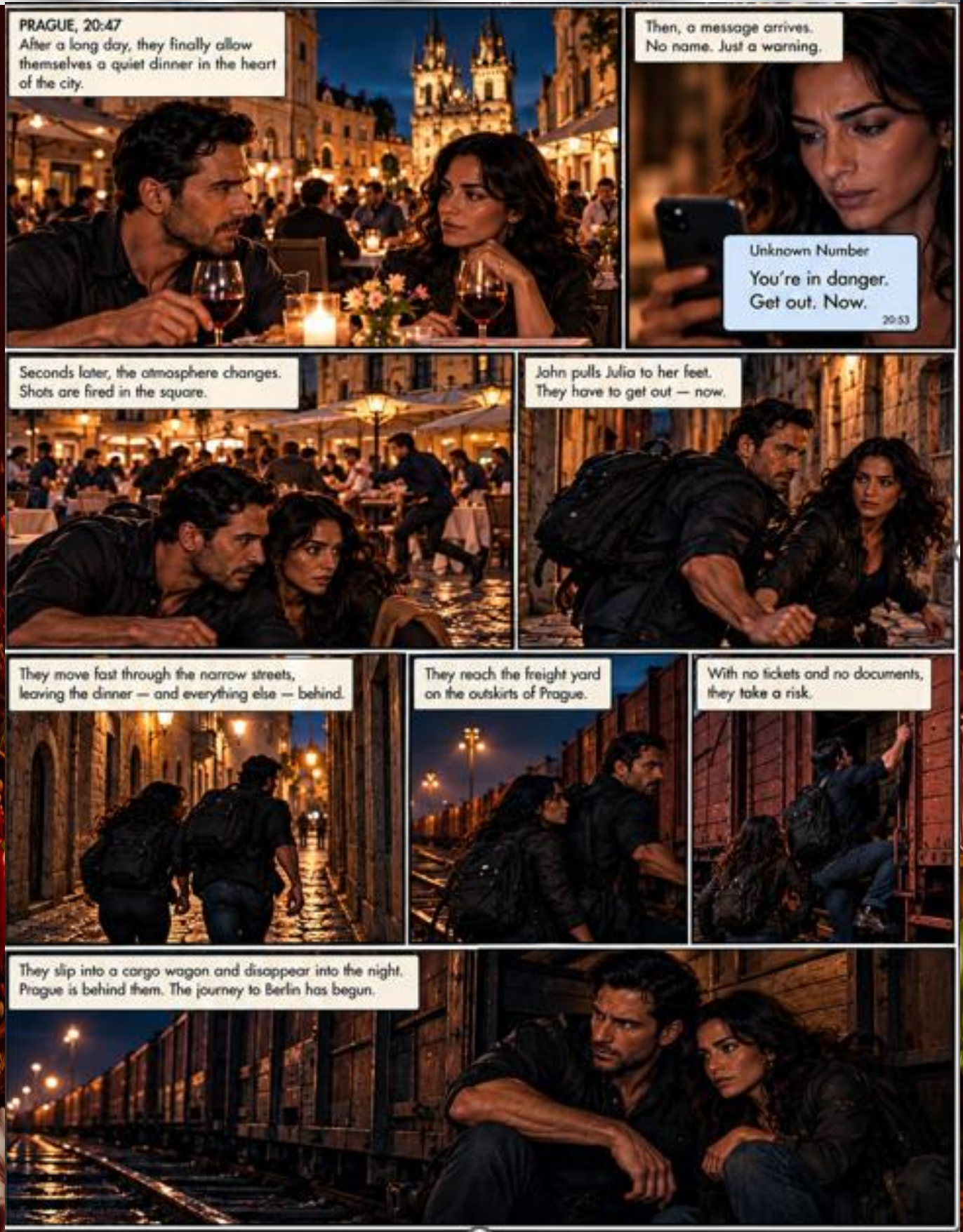
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PROCESS EFFICIENCY
SUSTAINABILITY

JOHN & JULIA


PRAGUE, 20:47
After a long day, they finally allow themselves a quiet dinner in the heart of the city.
Then, a message arrives. No name. Just a warning.
Unknown Number
You're in danger. Get out. Now.
20:53
Seconds later, the atmosphere changes. Shots are fired in the square.
John pulls Julia to her feet. They have to get out — now.
They move fast through the narrow streets, leaving the dinner — and everything else — behind.
They reach the freight yard on the outskirts of Prague.
With no tickets and no documents, they take a risk.
They slip into a cargo wagon and disappear into the night. Prague is behind them. The journey to Berlin has begun.

JOHN & JULIA


Inside the cargo wagon.
Cold, noisy and dark, but they are away from Prague.
For now, they stay quiet and wait. The train keeps moving.


Through the night, the train crosses borders.
Hours pass. The rhythm of the wheels drowns the noise of the attack.
Somewhere in the dark, they can finally breathe.


Early morning, Berlin.
They leave the freight yard, blend into the city, and make their way to a quiet residential area.
A new city.
A new chance.


John's safe house.
Hidden, secure, and ready for moments like this.


Inside, they find what they need.
Passports. Cash. Backup phones.
Everything prepared in advance.


For the first time in a long while, they allow themselves to relax.
Berlin feels different. Safer.
Tomorrow, they plan.
Today, they rest.


They talk quietly about what comes next.
New documents. New routes. New identities.
But for now, they just need a night without fear.


Then, the phone rings.
An unknown number.
Unknown Number


They look at each other.


Who is calling?
And what do they want?

GSR NEWS

HATTUŞA AND THE HITTITES

A POWERFUL EMPIRE IN THE HEART OF ANATOLIA

Hattuşa, the capital of the Hittite Empire, was one of the most influential cities of the ancient world. Located in central Anatolia, it became a political, cultural and strategic center between the 17th and 12th centuries BCE, shaping the balance of power in the Ancient Near East.



THE LION GATE
HATTUŞA

ROYAL CAPITAL

Center of a vast empire ruling Anatolia and beyond.

DIPLOMACY

Known for advanced treaties, including one of the earliest peace treaties in history.

CULTURE

A unique blend of Anatolian traditions and influences from neighboring civilizations.

STRATEGIC POWER

Controlled key trade routes and balanced the powers of Egypt, Assyria and other states.



AN ANATOLIAN POWERHOUSE

Hattuşa's massive fortifications, temples, royal complexes and archives reveal a sophisticated urban center with a strong administrative system, legal traditions and a rich cultural life.





YAZILIKAYA

Sacred rock sanctuary with impressive reliefs of Hittite gods.



HITTITE ARCHIVES

Thousands of cuneiform tablets revealing law, diplomacy and everyday life.



THE KING'S GATE

One of the monumental entrances to the royal city.



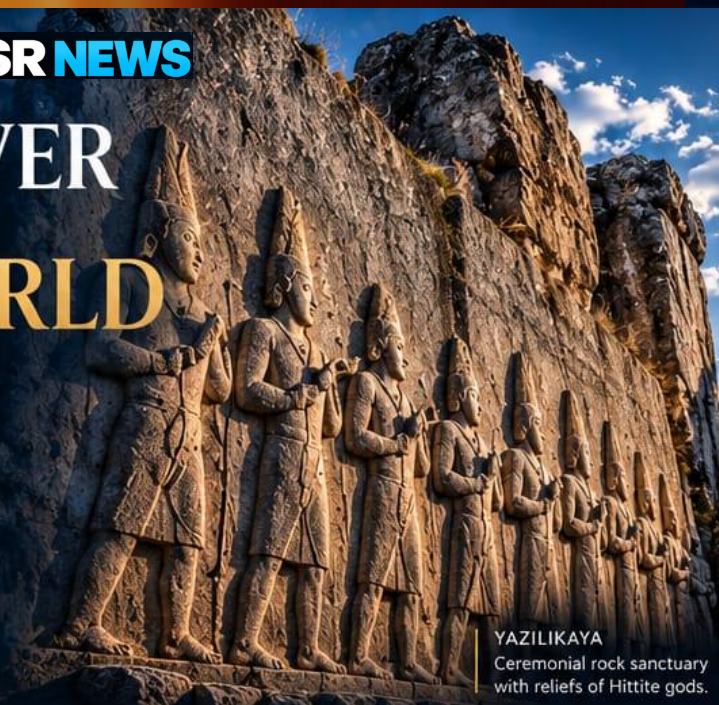
THE HITTITE CIVILIZATION

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A GREAT POWER OF THE ANCIENT WORLD

INNOVATION, DIPLOMACY AND A LASTING LEGACY

The Hittites were one of the most powerful civilizations of the ancient world, shaping the political, cultural and technological landscape of Anatolia and the Near East for centuries.



YAZILIKAYA
Ceremonial rock sanctuary with reliefs of Hittite gods.

A CENTRALIZED STATE

The Hittites built a sophisticated administrative system with a royal court, laws and a network of provincial centers.

MILITARY INNOVATION

They were pioneers in ironworking and chariot warfare, giving them a strategic advantage in their region.

DIPLOMACY

The Hittites are known for one of the earliest recorded peace treaties in history, the treaty with Egypt.

CULTURE AND RELIGION

A rich pantheon of gods, unique art and monumental architecture reflect their distinctive cultural identity.



THE HITTITE CHARIOT
Advanced chariot technology strengthened their military power across Anatolia and beyond.



THE TREATY WITH EGYPT
The Hittite–Egyptian peace treaty (c. 1259 BCE) is one of the earliest known international treaties, showing their diplomatic vision.





ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN PLANNING

Hattuşa's massive fortifications, monumental gates and urban layout demonstrate advanced engineering and city planning.

A LASTING LEGACY

The Hittites influenced later civilizations in law, diplomacy, art and statecraft, leaving a legacy that still fascinates the modern world.



HATTUŞA
Ruins of the royal city, today a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

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THEATRE & MUSICALS

A GLOBAL STAGE, A BRIGHTER SEASON



From Broadway to the West End and major stages around the world, the new season brings a diverse line-up of musicals, plays and creative performances, drawing audiences back to live theatre.



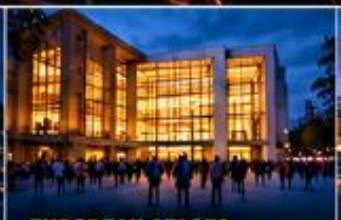
BROADWAY – NEW YORK
A DYNAMIC SEASON AHEAD

Broadway welcomes a new wave of productions this autumn, from long-running favourites to new musicals and plays, keeping New York at the heart of global theatre.



WEST END – LONDON
TIMELESS APPEAL

London's West End continues to attract global audiences with a rich mix of hit musicals, classic revivals and new productions in its world-renowned theatres.



EUROPEAN STAGES
A SEASON OF DIVERSITY

From Paris and Berlin to Madrid and Milan, European theatres offer a wide range of performances, blending local talent with international productions.



GLOBAL PERFORMING ARTS
CULTURE WITHOUT BORDERS

Major venues across Asia, Oceania and the Americas continue to showcase world-class theatre, dance and musical productions, connecting audiences worldwide.

MAJOR CONCERTS

GLOBAL ARTISTS. UNFORGETTABLE NIGHTS.





CHARLI XCX
Kia Forum, Los Angeles
Oct 17 – 18, 2026

The global pop star brings her high-energy show to Los Angeles for two nights at the Kia Forum.



BRUNO MARS
BC Place, Vancouver
Oct 14, 16, 17, 20 – 21, 2026

Bruno Mars returns to Vancouver for five major shows at BC Place as part of his global tour.



LAUFEY
Scotiabank Arena, Toronto
Oct 19 – 20, 2026

The acclaimed singer-songwriter brings her unique blend of jazz and pop to Toronto for two nights at Scotiabank Arena.



ALLISON RUSSELL
Massey Hall, Toronto
Oct 22, 2026

The Grammy-winning artist brings her powerful songs to Toronto's historic Massey Hall for a special performance.

Sources: official venue/tour listings; Billboard Canada.

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SHOWTIME

MUSIC. THEATRE. CULTURE. A BRIGHTER SEASON.

From world-class concerts and iconic stage productions to vibrant festivals and cultural events, the global entertainment scene continues to inspire, connect and bring people together.

THEATRE HIGHLIGHTS



THE PHANTOM OF THE OPERA
London, UK

The iconic musical returns to the West End with a new production, captivating audiences once again.



SWAN LAKE
Paris, France

A timeless classic at the Opéra Garnier, featuring a world-renowned ballet company.



HAMILTON
New York, USA

The award-winning musical continues to draw packed houses on Broadway with its powerful story and music.



KABUKI: THE LEGEND LIVES
Tokyo, Japan

Traditional artistry meets modern staging in a spectacular season at the Kabuki-za Theatre.

MAJOR CONCERTS



COLDPLAY
Singapore
Jan 23 – 26, 2027

The Music of the Spheres World Tour returns to Asia with four nights at the National Stadium.



TAYLOR SWIFT
Tokyo, Japan
Feb 7 – 11, 2027

The global superstar brings her record-breaking tour to Tokyo Dome for five unforgettable shows.



U2
Las Vegas, USA
Sep 29 – Oct 14, 2026

A special residency at the Sphere, featuring cutting-edge visuals and a reimagined concert experience.



DUA LIPA
Berlin, Germany
Oct 10 – 12, 2026

The Radical Optimism Tour lights up Europe with three nights at the Mercedes-Benz Arena.

FESTIVALS & EVENTS



RIO CARNIVAL
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Feb 12 – 17, 2027

The world's biggest celebration of music, dance and colour returns to the streets of Rio.



GLASTONBURY
Somerset, UK
Jun 24 – 28, 2026

Music, arts and culture come together at the legendary festival in the UK.



VENICE FILM FESTIVAL
Venice, Italy
Aug 26 – Sep 5, 2026

The film world gathers on the Lido for premieres, stars and cinematic excellence.



EDINBURGH FESTIVAL
Edinburgh, UK
Aug 7 – 31, 2026

A city-wide celebration of theatre, comedy, music and performance from around the world.

CULTURE SPOTLIGHT



ANCIENT PERFORMING ARTS

From Greek amphitheatres to traditional Asian performances, ancient stages continue to inspire today's global entertainment scene.



MUSIC WITHOUT BORDERS

From classical to contemporary, traditional instruments and modern fusions are bringing cultures closer through music.

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(Italy) POMPEII'S GRANDEST HOUSE TO REOPEN AFTER 46 YEARS

A German sponsor is funding the €1.4 million restoration of the House of Marcus Fabius Rufus, closed since 1980. Part of it should open to guided groups by Christmas.

Source: Pompeii Archaeological Park / AP

(Hungary) HUNGARY MARKS 70 YEARS SINCE THE 1956 UPRISING

Budapest commemorated the 70th anniversary of the 1956 revolution on 23 October, with delegations from about 40 countries and EU leaders in attendance.

Source: Euronews / Daily News Hungary

(Portugal) LISBON NAMED EUROPE'S LEADING CITY DESTINATION

Lisbon won Europe's best city and cruise destination at the World Travel Awards in Montenegro, while Portugal was named Europe's leading destination.

Source: World Travel Awards / Euronews

(Greece) FINAL DESIGNS APPROVED FOR ATHENS MUSEUM EXTENSION

Greece's top heritage councils unanimously approved David Chipperfield's final designs for the expansion of the National Archaeological Museum in Athens.

Source: Hellenic Ministry of Culture

(France) STARRY NIGHT MAY SHOW A SKY FROM 22 JULY 1889

A study in Scientific Reports suggests Van Gogh's Starry Night matches the pre-dawn sky over Saint-Rémy on 22 July 1889, a month later than assumed.

Source: Scientific Reports / NL Times

(Türkiye) TURKISH AIRLINES NAMED EUROPE'S LEADING AIRLINE

Turkish Airlines won Europe's Leading Airline at the 2026 World Travel Awards Europe gala, held at Kotor Bay in Montenegro on 17 October.

Source: World Travel Awards

(Italy / Spain) ITALY AND SPAIN LIFT MUTUAL BORDER CHECKS

Italy and Spain agreed not to extend the border checks they imposed on each other in August, restoring normal Schengen travel between the two countries.

Source: Italian Interior Ministry / The Local

(Europe) CLOCKS GO BACK ONE HOUR THIS SUNDAY

Summer time ends across the EU and UK on 25 October, when clocks go back one hour. The debate over scrapping seasonal clock changes continues.

Source: European Commission / NL Times

(Netherlands) 109 DUTCH RESEARCHERS WIN VIDI GRANTS

The Dutch Research Council awarded Vidi grants of up to €850,000 each to 109 scientists, for projects ranging from heart recovery to AI health tools.

Source: Dutch Research Council (NWO)

(Switzerland) ZURICH NAMED EUROPE'S LEADING AIRPORT

Zurich Airport was named Europe's Leading Airport at the 2026 World Travel Awards Europe, ahead of the global winners' gala in December.

Source: World Travel Awards



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(UK) NEW BEATLES ATTRACTION COMING TO LIVERPOOL
An expanded Beatles Story will open in 2028 at the former St John's Market, with the 122-metre St Johns Beacon tower becoming a viewing attraction.
Source: Apple Corps / AP

(Türkiye) NEW RAIL SECTION CUTS ISTANBUL–BULGARIA JOURNEY
The Çerkezköy–Kapıkule high-speed section, co-funded by the EU, opened on 9 October. Passenger journeys will fall from 4.5 hours to 1.5 hours.
Source: BTA / Railway Journal

(Spain) STARMUS FESTIVAL BRINGS SCIENCE STARS TO THE CANARIES
Starmus VIII ran from 17 to 22 October on Tenerife and La Palma under the theme "The Search for Truth", marking 10 years of the Stephen Hawking Medal.
Source: Starmus / Astronomy Magazine

(Belgium) GIANT PUMPKIN FESTIVAL FILLS BRUSSELS CASTLE
Around 50,000 visitors are expected at the pumpkin festival at Groot-Bijgaarden castle, where the largest pumpkin on show weighs 772 kilograms.
Source: Euronews

(Finland) PUPPY LIVE STREAM CAPTIVATES FINLAND
Public broadcaster Yle's round-the-clock Pentulive stream of newborn puppies is drawing millions of viewers. It will run until the puppies go to new homes in December.
Source: Yle / CNN

(UK) ANCIENT EGYPTIAN GOD MAY HAVE INSPIRED THE OSCAR
A 2,700-year-old bronze of the god Ptah, once owned by William Randolph Hearst, sold at Frieze Masters. Oscar designer Cedric Gibbons knew Hearst's collection.
Source: Rupert Wace Ancient Art / Euronews

(Nordics) NORDIC LEADERS DEFEND THE EU CARBON MARKET
The prime ministers of Denmark, Sweden and Finland urged the EU not to weaken its emissions trading system, warning it would undermine investment predictability.
Source: Brussels Signal / MLex

(Montenegro) MONTENEGRO NAMED EUROPE'S LEADING NATURE DESTINATION
Montenegro hosted the World Travel Awards Europe at Kotor Bay and won the nature title. Athens took city break and Armenia heritage destination.
Source: World Travel Awards / Euronews

(UK) BRITISH MUSEUM BALL RAISES £3 MILLION
The museum's second annual Ball, headlined by Wyclef Jean, raised £3 million towards its Masterplan, the largest renovation in its history.
Source: British Museum

(Italy) ROME'S ROSE GARDEN REOPENS FOR AUTUMN
Rome's municipal rose garden on the Aventine reopens to the public from 25 October to 8 November for its autumn flowering season.
Source: Roma Capitale / Wanted in Rome



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(Ireland) GULLIVER'S TRAVELS TURNS 300
Jonathan Swift's classic was first published on 28 October 1726. Trinity College Dublin, where Swift studied, marks the date with a "Gulliver at 300" exhibition in its Long Room.

Source: Trinity College Dublin

(UK) LONDON EXHIBITION CELEBRATES THE WOMEN OF PUNK
"Up Yours! God Save The Queens" opened at the Museum of Youth Culture on 23 October, marking 50 years of "She Punk" with archive material and unseen photography.

Source: Museum of Youth Culture / Euronews

(Baltics) BALTIC ASSEMBLY PRIZES AWARDED IN TALLINN
Latvian poet Kārlis Vērdiņš, Estonian artist Darja Popolitova and Lithuanian scholar Zenonas Norkus received the Baltic Assembly prizes for literature, arts and science.

Source: Baltic Assembly / LSM

(Croatia) ZAGREB TESTS ROBOTAXIS WITH NO ONE AT THE WHEEL
Verne has begun fully driverless test rides on a 22 km route to Zagreb airport, with about 30 vehicles in its fleet. It aims to launch commercially next year.

Source: Verne / AFP

(Poland) CREOTECH PLANS TENFOLD RISE IN SATELLITE OUTPUT
Polish satellite maker Creotech Instruments plans a new factory near Warsaw by 2029, lifting capacity from about 10 satellites a year to as many as 100.

Source: Creotech Instruments / Reuters

(Norway) NORWAY WIDENS PLANNED UNDER-16 SOCIAL MEDIA BAN
Norway wants its planned under-16 ban to cover TikTok, Snapchat and Roblox, including gaming and chat sites. The bill is due before the end of 2026.

Source: Norwegian Government / AFP

(France) NEW FRENCH PRIZE FOR BOOKS WRITTEN WITH AI
Three French tech entrepreneurs have launched what they call the first literary prize for books written with the help of artificial intelligence.

Source: AFP

(Netherlands) ELECTRIC AIRLINERS "CLOSER THAN WE THINK"
Dutch start-up Elysian is developing a 90-seat battery-powered airliner. Experts say bookable electric flights in Europe could arrive within about a decade.

Source: Elysian Aircraft / Euronews

(Türkiye) TÜRKIYE COUNTS 29 CITTASLOW "SLOW CITIES"
Türkiye now has 29 towns in the Cittaslow network for slow living and travel. Seferihisar, near İzmir, was the country's first member.

Source: Cittaslow International / Euronews

(Romania) DANUBE DELTA TIPPED FOR BIRDWATCHING IN 2027
Romania's Danube Delta, home to Europe's largest pelican colonies, is highlighted as a top birdwatching destination for 2027.

Source: Euronews Travel



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(China) SHANGHAI GRAND OPERA HOUSE OPENS ITS DOORS
Snøhetta's fan-shaped opera house on the Huangpu River opened with 4,200 seats in three halls. Its first season includes La Fenice's Tosca and the Mariinsky's Aida.
Source: Shanghai Grand Opera House / Bachtrack

(Japan) TURNER EXHIBITION OPENS IN TOKYO
"Turner: Painting the Sublime" opened at the National Museum of Western Art on 24 October, with works mainly from Tate. It runs until 21 February 2027.
Source: National Museum of Western Art / Tokyo Art Beat

(India) ISRO SETS 30 OCTOBER LAUNCH FOR NAVIGATION SATELLITE
ISRO will launch NVS-03 on a GSLV Mk II from Sriharikota on 30 October to restore India's NavIC navigation system, after several delays.
Source: ISRO / GKToday

(South Korea) GANGNEUNG COFFEE FESTIVAL RETURNS
The 18th Gangneung Coffee Festival opened on 21 October across beaches, forests and the harbour of Korea's coffee city. It draws about 300,000 visitors a year.
Source: The Korea Herald

(China) LIANGZHU MARKS 90 YEARS SINCE ITS DISCOVERY
The 5,000-year-old Liangzhu city near Hangzhou, a UNESCO site, was found in 1936. The fourth Liangzhu Forum met as new building remains were reconstructed.
Source: Xinhua

(Vietnam) VIETNAM'S FOREIGN ARRIVALS UP 14.5%
Vietnam welcomed 17.7 million international visitors in the first nine months of 2026, up 14.5%. Mainland China and South Korea were the top markets.
Source: General Statistics Office of Vietnam / VnExpress

(Japan) KYOTO CELEBRATES THE TALE OF GENJI
Kyoto National Museum shows about 250 works inspired by Murasaki Shikibu's classic, from court paintings to manuscripts, until 29 November.
Source: Kyoto National Museum

(Indonesia) INDONESIA TO REVITALISE 200 CULTURAL SITES
President Prabowo Subianto backed a plan to renovate more than 200 museums, palaces, forts and heritage sites, adding digital and interactive exhibits.
Source: Cabinet Secretariat of Indonesia / ANTARA

(Japan) JAPAN PLANS TO CUT FOOD TAX TO 1%
The government adopted a bill to cut the consumption tax on food from 8% to 1% for two years from April 2027, at a cost of about ¥10 trillion.
Source: Jiji Press / Nippon.com

(South Korea) HELSINKI PHILHARMONIC MAKES SEOUL DEBUT
The Helsinki Philharmonic Orchestra played its first Seoul concert at Lotte Concert Hall, closing its first Korean tour with works by Sibelius.
Source: The Korea Herald



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(Thailand) **VIRGIN ATLANTIC LAUNCHES LONDON–PHUKET FLIGHTS**
Virgin Atlantic's first Heathrow–Phuket flight landed on 19 October. The route runs three times a week through the UK winter season until 26 March 2027.
Source: Tourism Authority of Thailand

(South Korea) **REGISTRATION OPENS FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027**
Pope Leo XIV released a video inviting young people to World Youth Day in Seoul next summer, as registration for the event opened.
Source: The Korea Herald

(Uzbekistan) **UZBEKISTAN'S COTTON HARVEST BEATS TARGET**
Uzbekistan harvested 4.63 million tonnes of cotton this season, exceeding its 2026 target.
Source: Kun.uz

(China) **CHINA HOSTS ITS FIFTH NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY CONGRESS**
Hundreds of archaeologists met in Yuncheng, Shanxi, from 15 to 17 October under the theme "Archaeology: The Past and the Future", with over 570 presentations.
Source: People's Daily

(Japan) **MARIKO MORI RETROSPECTIVE COMING TO TOKYO**
"Mariko Mori: All That Shines" opens at the Mori Art Museum on 31 October, exploring spirituality, nature and ancient cultures. It runs until 28 March 2027.
Source: Mori Art Museum / Tokyo Art Beat

(South Korea) **GO LEGEND LEE SE-DOL REFLECTS ON LIFE AFTER ALPHAGO**
Lee Se-dol, the only human to beat AlphaGo in their 2016 match, says he is now "unemployed" in the AI era. He won 14 major international titles.
Source: The Korea Herald

(Singapore) **ITB ASIA BRINGS REGIONAL TOURISM TO SINGAPORE**
Tourism boards from across Asia gathered at ITB Asia 2026 in Singapore. Thailand presented its high-value strategy under the theme "Healing is the New Luxury".
Source: Tourism Authority of Thailand / ITB Asia

(Uzbekistan) **300 MW SOLAR PLANT PLANNED IN KASHKADARYA**
Uzbekistan plans a 300-megawatt solar power plant in Kashkadarya region as it expands renewable generation.
Source: Kun.uz

(Japan) **MARIMEKKO'S PRINTS ON SHOW IN TOKYO**
The Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum presents Marimekko's art of printmaking, with dresses, fabrics and Japanese collaborations, until 20 December.
Source: Tokyo Metropolitan Teien Art Museum

(China) **QINGHAI–TIBET RAILWAY MARKS 20 YEARS**
The railway, whose Tanggula Pass reaches 5,072 metres, has carried more than 100 million passenger trips since opening in 2006.
Source: Xinhua



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(UAE) GLASS LEDGES ADDED TO DUBAI'S THE VIEW
The View at The Palm marked its fifth anniversary with eight glass ledges stretching 1.5 metres beyond the observation deck, included in general admission.
Source: Gulf News

(Saudi Arabia) SAUDI ARABIA PLANS "VULTURE RESTAURANTS"
Saudi Arabia plans three dedicated feeding sites, known as vulture restaurants, to help protect threatened vulture species.
Source: Arab News

(Oman) SALAMAIR LAUNCHES MUSCAT–ERBIL FLIGHTS
Oman's low-cost carrier SalamAir starts twice-weekly flights to Erbil on 25 October, its second destination in Iraq after Baghdad.
Source: SalamAir / Oman Observer

(Saudi Arabia) RIYADH HOSTS 10TH FUTURE INVESTMENT INITIATIVE
The FII's 10th edition runs in Riyadh from 26 to 29 October under the theme "The Power of Legacy", gathering global investors and business leaders.
Source: FII Institute

(UAE) ASTEROID PROBE ENTERS FINAL TESTS
The UAE's MBR Explorer is in final testing ahead of its March 2028 launch on a 5-billion-km journey to seven asteroids, ending at 269 Justitia in 2036.
Source: UAE Space Agency / The National

(Qatar) FOUR NEW PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO ADD 5,000 PLACES
Qatar's education ministry signed land contracts for four private schools in Al Wukair, Al Mansoura and Al Sailiya, with planned investment of about QR1.48 billion.
Source: Ministry of Education and Higher Education / Gulf Times

(Jordan) DOMESTIC VISITORS RISE AT PETRA
Petra welcomed 362,215 visitors in the first nine months of 2026. Jordanian visitors rose 26.6%, while foreign arrivals fell 17.8%.
Source: Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority / Petra News Agency

(UAE) 20,000 APPLY TO JOIN MUSEUM OF THE FUTURE
Dubai's Museum of the Future received over 20,000 applications in 48 hours for "Future Perfects" roles ahead of its redesigned 2027 reopening.
Source: Museum of the Future / Gulf News

(Bahrain) BAHRAIN'S MUSIC FESTIVAL MARKS ITS 35TH EDITION
The 35th Bahrain International Music Festival brought Bahraini, German, French and Chinese performers to Manama, Riffa and Muharraq.
Source: Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities

(Qatar) KATARA HOSTS VIETNAMESE FILM EVENING
Katara Cultural Village and Vietnam's embassy screened a documentary on Ho Chi Minh's diplomacy at Katara's Drama Theatre in Doha.
Source: Gulf Times

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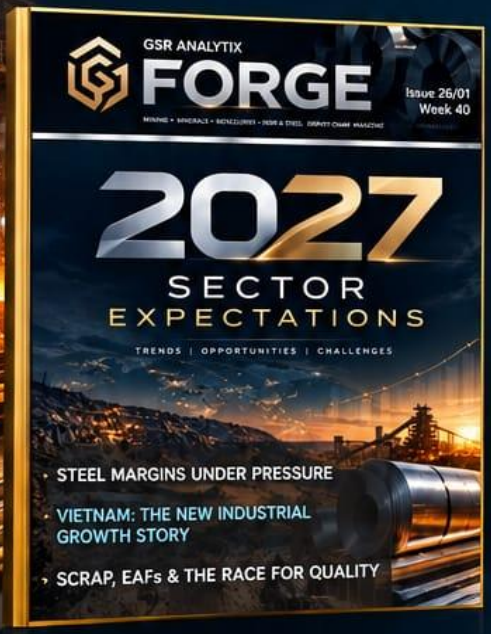
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(Kenya) KENYA LAUNCHES $160 MILLION WILDLIFE PLAN

The 10-year Thamani Asili programme, launched at Tsavo West, will cover 31 counties. The state and partners The Nature Conservancy and Enduring Earth share the cost.

Source: Kenya Wildlife Service / The Star Kenya

(South Africa) MEERKAT HELPS FIND MOST DISTANT RADIO BURST

South Africa's MeerKAT and NASA's Webb traced the most distant fast radio burst yet to a dwarf galaxy, sent when the universe was about 3 billion years old.

Source: SARAO / Science

(Egypt) MOODY'S UPGRADES EGYPT'S CREDIT RATING

Moody's raised Egypt's rating to B3 with a positive outlook, citing falling government debt and rising foreign-currency reserves.

Source: Moody's / Egypt Today

(Ethiopia) MEGECH IRRIGATION DAM INAUGURATED

Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed opened the Megech irrigation dam near Gondar, a long-running project to expand irrigated farming around Lake Tana.

Source: Ethiopian News Agency / AllAfrica

(Egypt) GRAND EGYPTIAN MUSEUM RAISES TICKET PRICES

From 1 November, foreign adults will pay $35 instead of $30 to enter the Grand Egyptian Museum. Tickets are sold only through the official site.

Source: Grand Egyptian Museum / Rio Times

(Morocco) MOROCCO'S 2027 BUDGET EYES INCOME TAX RELIEF

Morocco's cabinet adopted the draft 2027 budget, which reportedly raises the tax-free income threshold from 40,000 to 60,000 dirhams a year.

Source: Le360 / Rio Times

(Morocco / Spain) STRAIT OF GIBRALTAR POWER CABLES TO BE INSPECTED

Spain and Morocco will inspect the undersea electricity cables linking the two countries, following the 2025 Iberian blackout.

Source: Morocco World News

(Kenya) KENYA AND FAO USE SOIL DATA TO LIFT HARVESTS

Kenya and FAO agreed to use soil data to guide fertiliser advice sent to farmers' phones through the national KIAMIS platform.

Source: FAO / Dawan Africa

(Rwanda) RWANDA TRAINS CYBERSECURITY EXPERTS WITH MTN AND AIRTEL

Rwanda's National Cyber Security Authority partnered with mobile operators MTN and Airtel to train a new generation of cybersecurity specialists.

Source: The New Times / AllAfrica

(Nigeria) CARGO FLIGHTS TO START AT EKITI AIRPORT

United Nigeria Airlines plans to begin cargo flights at Ekiti Airport in southwest Nigeria, opening a new air freight link for the region.

Source: AllAfrica



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(Tanzania) TRAVEL INSURANCE NOW COMPULSORY FOR VISITORS
Tanzania requires most foreign visitors to buy a local travel insurance policy costing about $44, valid for 92 days. EAC and SADC residents are exempt.
Source: Tanzanian Government / dpa

(South Africa) TREASURY CUTS 2026 GROWTH FORECAST TO 1.2%
Finance Minister Enoch Godongwana's mid-term budget lowered this year's growth outlook from 1.6%, with growth seen at 1.6% in 2027 and 2% by 2029.
Source: National Treasury / Polity

(Zimbabwe) HARARE HOSTS 25TH COMESA SUMMIT
Zimbabwe took over the chair of the 21-member trade bloc at the Harare summit, themed "One Market, One Future", with more than 1,000 delegates expected.
Source: COMESA / The Herald

(Mozambique) SOLAR PLANT BRINGS POWER TO RURAL NSADZU
Mozambique's energy fund FUNAE commissioned a solar plant in Chifunde district, Tete province, supplying homes, schools, clinics and street lighting.
Source: FUNAE / SolarQuarter

(Nigeria) ADEKUNLE GOLD LAUNCHES SICKLE CELL FUND
The Afrobeats star's foundation launched "We're Not Done", a $20,000 initiative to support four organisations working on sickle cell care and advocacy.
Source: Voice of Nigeria

(Morocco) EIGHT UIR PROFESSORS AMONG WORLD'S TOP CITED
Eight professors from the International University of Rabat were named among the world's top 2% most-cited scientists in the 2026 Stanford–Elsevier ranking.
Source: Morocco World News

(Africa) K-DRAMAS USE AFRICA AS A BACKDROP
An article in The Conversation looks at how Korean dramas film in African settings, and how the scenes shape South Korea's image on the continent.
Source: The Conversation Africa

(Mozambique) GAZA PROVINCE PLANS $126M SOLAR PLANT FOR MINES
Gaza's governor proposed a $126 million solar plant to power mining and mineral processing in the province. Capacity and developer are yet to be announced.
Source: Further Africa

(Kenya) NAIROBI PREPARES FOR HEAVY SHORT RAINS
Authorities in Nairobi are preparing for heavy rain and possible flash floods as Kenya's October–December short rains season gets under way.
Source: AllAfrica

(Malawi) SCHOOLS TOLD TO ADAPT AS HEATWAVE HITS
Schools across Malawi were urged to adapt their routines after a nationwide heatwave warning was issued this week.
Source: AllAfrica



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(Nigeria) NETHERLANDS RETURNS LOOTED BENIN ARTEFACT
A historic Benin artefact taken in 1897 was handed to Oba Ewuare II at his palace in Benin City on 20 October by Dutch officials, after 129 years abroad.
Source: Nairametrics / Tribune Online

(Madagascar) PRIZED WILD PEPPER AT RISK AS FORESTS SHRINK
Voatsiperifery, a wild pepper selling for up to €200 a kilo in France, is under threat as Madagascar's natural forests shrank 27% between 1990 and 2025.
Source: FAO / AFP / Africanews

(São Tomé) "CHOCOLATE ISLAND" TURNS TO VANILLA
L'Atelier Vanilha buys from about 50 farmers and sells São Tomé vanilla to fine grocers and Michelin-starred restaurants in France, Switzerland and Belgium.
Source: AFP / Malay Mail

(Mauritius) MAURITIUS PASSES ONE MILLION VISITORS
Mauritius welcomed 1,042,241 international visitors from January to September 2026. September arrivals rose 9.6% year on year.
Source: Statistics Mauritius

(Botswana) DE BEERS RAISES OUTPUT GUIDANCE
De Beers' Botswana output fell to 4.8 million carats in Q3 on Orapa maintenance, but the group raised full-year guidance to 25–28 million carats.
Source: De Beers / Mining Weekly

(Sudan) ANCIENT WORKSHOP REVEALS KUSHITE ROYAL POWER
A 7th-century BC faience workshop inside the Temple of Sanam made beads and funerary figurines for royal tombs, Durham and NYU researchers report in Antiquity.
Source: Antiquity / Daily News Egypt

(Seychelles) WESTERN INDIAN OCEAN CONSERVATION FUND PROPOSED
Seychelles backs a regional trust fund to finance cross-border marine conservation, ahead of the Nairobi Convention's COP12 marking 40 years.
Source: Seychelles Ministry of Environment / APO

(Senegal) DAK'ART BIENNALE SET FOR NOVEMBER
The Dakar Biennale of Contemporary African Art, one of the continent's leading art events, will run from 19 November to 19 December 2026.
Source: Dak'Art / AllAfrica

(Nigeria) BENIN KINGDOM CELEBRATES OBA'S 10 YEARS
An art exhibition and Edo food festival at the Oba Akenzua Cultural Centre mark Oba Ewuare II's 10th coronation anniversary, running until 21 November.
Source: News Agency of Nigeria

(Egypt) JAPAN-BACKED TECHNICAL SCHOOLS EXPAND
Egypt's health and education ministers inspected the Nasser Institute school, part of a plan for 20 technical schools developed with Japanese support.
Source: Daily News Egypt



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(Brazil) AMAZON DEFORESTATION FALLS TO RECORD LOW
Clearing in Brazil's Amazon fell about 42% to 3,335 km² in the year to July 2026, the lowest since records began in 1988. Cerrado losses also hit a record low.
Source: INPE / Al Jazeera

(Mexico) MEXICO CITY PREPARES DAY OF THE DEAD PARADE
The Great Day of the Dead Parade runs along Paseo de la Reforma to the Zócalo on 31 October, where a giant ofrenda honours Posada's Catrina from 29 October.
Source: Mexico City Government

(USA) NEW YORK TO END CENTRAL PARK CARRIAGE RIDES
New York City moved to ban horse-drawn carriage rides in Central Park by 2028 under a deal between Mayor Zohran Mamdani and the City Council.
Source: AP / Euronews

(Canada) CANADA'S INFLATION EDGES UP TO 3.1%
Consumer prices rose 3.1% in September from 3.0% in August, driven by a 27.8% jump in gasoline. Grocery inflation slowed to 1.7%.
Source: Statistics Canada

(Argentina) IGUAZÚ FALLS WALKWAYS CLOSED BY EL NIÑO FLOODS
Argentina restricted access to Iguazú Falls trails as the river's flow topped 11,000 cubic metres per second, several times its usual rate. Devil's Throat stays closed.
Source: Iguazú National Park / Buenos Aires Times

(USA) ZOO ATLANTA'S NEW PANDAS TO DEBUT ON 6 NOVEMBER
Giant pandas Ping Ping and Fu Shuang, on loan from China, will greet visitors when the zoo's new Arthur M. Blank Panda Grove opens on 6 November.
Source: Zoo Atlanta / ABC News

(Canada) QUEBEC PUBLISHER SAYS AI WAS USED IN BESTSELLING NOVEL
Éditions du Boréal said AI was used to write Thélyson Orélien's novel "C'était ça ou mourir" and will not reprint it, reversing its earlier support.
Source: Éditions du Boréal / Euronews

(Argentina) SCIENTISTS PROBE SOUTHERN RIGHT WHALE DEATHS
Researchers at Península Valdés are investigating an unusual number of southern right whale deaths since July, looking at a bacterium and a toxic algal bloom.
Source: MercoPress

(USA) MET EXPLORES TIFFANY'S GILDED AGE ADVERTISING
"Marketing the Gilded Age", showing advertising publications from Louis C. Tiffany's studios, opens at the Metropolitan Museum of Art on 29 October.
Source: The Metropolitan Museum of Art

(Brazil) A SEVEN-ROOM HOME BUILT FROM 8,000 BOTTLES
A mother and daughter in northeastern Brazil built a seven-room house from about 8,000 discarded glass bottles, which now welcomes overnight visitors.
Source: Colombia One



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(USA) ROMAN SPACE TELESCOPE BEGINS SCIENCE CHECKS
NASA's Nancy Grace Roman Space Telescope completed checkout and entered science commissioning. Project scientist Julie McEnery says the observatory is "fully functional".
Source: NASA

(Bahamas) KING CHARLES BEGINS CARIBBEAN TOUR ON 27 OCTOBER
The King visits the Bahamas, then makes a state visit to Guyana before the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting opens in Antigua on 1 November.
Source: Buckingham Palace / AP

(Colombia) BOGOTÁ AND CARTAGENA SHINE AT WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS
Bogotá won four World Travel Awards, while Cartagena was named South America's leading honeymoon destination and Boyacá its leading regional destination.
Source: Bogotá Mayor's Office

(Canada) FIRST NATION STORES ITS HERITAGE IN ITS OWN DATA CENTRE
Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory on Manitoulin Island built a small data centre to protect Anishinaabe language recordings and community records.
Source: AP / CTV News

(Mexico) MARIGOLD FESTIVAL FILLS PASEO DE LA REFORMA
Mexico City's Cempasúchil Flower Festival decorates Reforma with marigolds, the Day of the Dead flower, from 18 October to 1 November.
Source: Mexico City Government

(USA) NASA SETS PATH TO 2028 MOON LANDING
NASA outlined plans to return astronauts to the lunar surface in 2028, with Artemis III in 2027 testing lander operations with Blue Origin and SpaceX.
Source: NASA

(Colombia) COLOMBIA NEAR BOTTOM OF OECD TAX INDEX
Colombia ranked 37th of 38 OECD countries in the 2026 International Tax Competitiveness Index, largely due to how it taxes capital.
Source: Tax Foundation / Colombia One

(USA) SWIFT OBSERVATORY ENDS SCIENCE OPERATIONS
NASA's Swift ended science work after more than two decades, as its orbit sank below about 171 miles and atmospheric drag made steady observations impossible.
Source: NASA

(Mexico) GIANT ALEBRIJES PARADE THROUGH MEXICO CITY
The 18th Monumental Alebrije Parade, organised by the Museum of Popular Art, carried giant papier-mâché creatures from the Zócalo to Reforma.
Source: Mexico City Government

(USA) NASA'S JPL LOOKS TO ITS NEXT 90 YEARS
NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory traces its roots to rocket-engine tests in Pasadena in 1936, and marked its anniversary by looking ahead.
Source: NASA / JPL



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(Canada) CANADA DRAFTS A NEW NATIONAL SPACE LAW
Industry Minister Mélanie Joly launched consultations on a new Canadian space act and unveiled the country's first framework to protect satellite navigation and timing systems.
Source: Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada

(Brazil) BOSSA NOVA RETURNS TO ITS BIRTHPLACE IN LEBLON
Eighteen bossa nova concerts over five weekends are being staged at Leblon's Teatro Café Pequeno in Rio, the neighbourhood where the genre was born, until 8 November.
Source: The Rio Times

(USA) PSYCHE SPEEDS TOWARD METAL ASTEROID
After a gravity assist from Mars, NASA's Psyche spacecraft fired its thrusters and is accelerating toward the metal-rich asteroid it is named after.
Source: NASA

(Argentina) MOST ARGENTINES STRUGGLE TO REACH MONTH'S END
A Brain Network survey found 45% of Argentines barely make it to the end of the month and 34% cannot cover their expenses, many relying on credit cards.
Source: Brain Network / MercoPress

(USA) SECOND PILOT FLIES NASA'S QUIET SUPERSONIC X-59
NASA test pilot Mike Lippert flew the X-59 for the first time on 21 October from Edwards, California, as flight testing of the low-boom jet continues.
Source: NASA

(Brazil) AMAZON FIRES RISE DESPITE RECORD-LOW DEFORESTATION
Fires in Brazil's Amazon rose 62% in October, even as annual deforestation fell to its lowest level since records began.
Source: MercoPress / INPE

(Antarctica) ANTARCTIC OZONE HOLE REACHES 15 MILLION KM²
The ozone hole over Antarctica reached about 15 million square kilometres in September, according to the EU's Copernicus monitoring service.
Source: Copernicus / MercoPress

(USA) SPACE STATION CREW BIOPRINTS BLOOD VESSELS
Expedition 75 astronauts aboard the International Space Station bioprinted blood vessel tissue as part of research into growing human tissue in space.
Source: NASA

(Brazil / Norway) BRAZIL SETS LOWER-TARIFF EXPORT QUOTAS FOR NORWAY
Brazil set export quotas for Norway at reduced tariffs under the MERCOSUR–EFTA free trade agreement signed in Rio de Janeiro in 2025.
Source: Agência Brasil

(Colombia) COLOMBIAN ARTISTS UP FOR LOS40 MUSIC AWARDS
Colombian artists from several generations and genres are among the nominees for the LOS40 Music Awards Santander 2026.
Source: Colombia One

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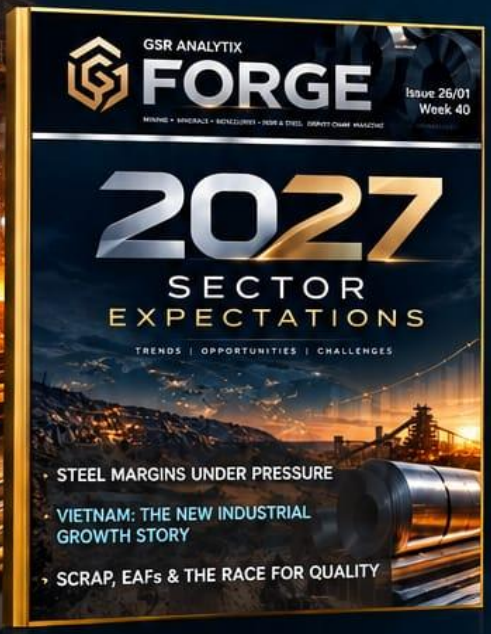
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(Vanuatu) FIVE SOLAR MINI-GRIDS POWER MALEKULA VILLAGES
Vanuatu's government fully funded five solar mini-grids on Malekula for about US$8.4 million. The Lamap grid alone will serve 218 homes, 43 businesses and a mini-hospital.
Source: PACNEWS / Islands Business

(Australia) PACIFIC BLUEFIN TUNA CAUGHT OFF VICTORIA
CSIRO confirmed the first recreational catches of Pacific bluefin tuna in Victorian waters, a deep-water species normally found far from shore.
Source: CSIRO

(Fiji) FIJI FARM EXPORTERS TARGET AUSTRALIA
A five-month accelerator is preparing Fijian agribusinesses for the Australian market. A PTI survey found 64% of Pacific agri firms plan to target Australia within three years.
Source: Pacific Trade Invest / PACNEWS

(Micronesia) YAP RESTORES TRADITIONAL CULTURAL STRUCTURES
Yap state in the Federated States of Micronesia completed four projects to restore traditional cultural structures, as a wider Pacific cultural revival gathers pace.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Pacific) PACIFIC SCIENTISTS SAIL FROM EQUATOR TO ANTARCTIC ICE
Researchers from across the Pacific are on a voyage from the equator to the Antarctic ice edge to monitor how climate change is affecting the Pacific Ocean.
Source: CSIRO

(Tonga) TONGA JOINS WTO LEGAL ADVISORY CENTRE
Tonga became the 48th developing-country member of the Advisory Centre on WTO Law, while solar-powered cold storage is helping a local root crop exporter.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Fiji) DIGITAL PLATFORM TO KEEP FIJIAN LANGUAGE ALIVE ABROAD
A new digital platform aims to help Fijian families living overseas learn and preserve the Fijian language.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Palau) NORTH PACIFIC TOURISM GETS A BOOST
An Australian-funded programme will help operators in Palau, FSM, the Marshall Islands, Kiribati and Nauru sell diving and WWII heritage trips, as Qantas doubles Palau peak flights.
Source: PACNEWS / Islands Business

(Australia) WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S DESERT BURSTS INTO BLOOM
Western Australia is enjoying a boom year for desert wildflowers after strong winter rains, with the colour visible in NASA satellite images.
Source: NASA Earth Observatory / CSIRO

(Hawai'i) DNA TRACES THE FIRST SETTLERS OF HAWAI'I
New DNA research sheds light on how medieval Polynesian voyagers settled the Hawaiian Islands.
Source: Pacific Islands Report



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(Cook Islands) SEABED MINING BID NEAR PACIFIC WATERS DRAWS CONCERN
TMC USA applied to the US agency NOAA for a commercial deep-sea mining permit covering about 65,000 km² of the Clarion-Clipperton Zone. Cook Islands group Te Ipukarea opposes it.
Source: PACNEWS / Islands Business

(Solomon Islands) PACIFIC LABOUR WORKERS SEND HOME UP TO $500 MILLION
Solomon Islanders working in Australia under the PALM scheme have sent home up to US$500 million in remittances.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Australia) COIN HONOURS AUSTRALIA'S WI-FI INVENTION
The Royal Australian Mint's Bright Ideas coin collection features high-speed WLAN, invented by CSIRO in the 1990s, during the agency's centenary year.
Source: CSIRO / Royal Australian Mint

(Papua New Guinea) SIX IN TEN PAPUA NEW GUINEANS ARE UNDER 25
PNG's 2024 census counted more than 10 million people, over four million of them under 18. About 60% of the population is younger than 25.
Source: PACNEWS / Islands Business

(Australia) SEALS AND SEA LIONS GET HEARING TESTS IN SYDNEY
Curtin University researcher Christine Erbe is testing the hearing of seals and sea lions at Sydney's Taronga Zoo.
Source: Curtin University / Kuwait Times

(Marshall Islands) SCIENTISTS TRACK SHIFTING ATOLLS
The Pacific Community is documenting shifting atoll shorelines and falling trees in the Marshall Islands as ocean warming changes island landscapes.
Source: Pacific Community / Pacific Islands Report

(Pacific) PACIFIC NATIONS BRING A STRONG VOICE TO COP17
Fourteen Pacific Island countries, with more than 70 delegates, are taking part in the UN biodiversity summit in Yerevan, Armenia, from 19 to 30 October.
Source: PACNEWS / Islands Business

(New Zealand) ESCAPED COWS GO FOR A SWIM IN NAPIER
A herd of cows lifted a gate hinge and went swimming in a Napier estuary, before farm staff in kayaks guided them back to shore.
Source: NZ Herald

(Polynesia) MET CELEBRATES POLYNESIAN TAPA CLOTH
"Tapa: Art of the Gift in Polynesia" opens at New York's Metropolitan Museum of Art on 2 November and runs until December 2027.
Source: The Metropolitan Museum of Art

(Pacific) ADB SEES SLOWER PACIFIC GROWTH
The Asian Development Bank projects slower economic growth for the Pacific amid tourism challenges and global uncertainty.
Source: Asian Development Bank / Pacific Islands Report



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(Australia) **WIDE-EYED FLY RUNS FOR INSECT OF THE YEAR**
CSIRO nominated the Stalk-eyed Signal Fly, whose eyes sit on stalks wider than its body, for the ABC's Insect of the Year. Public voting closes at the end of October.
Source: CSIRO / ABC

(Australia) **AUSTRALIAN UNEMPLOYMENT RISES TO 4.7%**
Australia lost 39,300 jobs in September, against forecasts of a gain, and the unemployment rate rose to 4.7% from 4.6%.
Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

(Fiji) **FIJI SPEEDS UP ITS SHIFT FROM FOSSIL FUELS**
Fiji is accelerating its transition away from fossil fuels toward renewable energy.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Solomon Islands) **FILM TRACES VOICE BEHIND A GLOBAL HIT**
A new film traced the family of a Malaita woman whose voice was featured on a worldwide hit recording, and drew recognition from the French group Deep Forest.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Niue) **SMALL GRANTS SUPPORT NIUE COMMUNITIES**
Communities in Niue are benefiting from a new round of small grants for local initiatives.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Australia) **CSIRO'S SPACE TRUCK MARKS ITS FIRST YEAR**
CSIRO's mobile Space Truck celebrated a year since its first deployment at the Koonibba Test Range. It supported NASA's Artemis II mission and toured regional communities.
Source: CSIRO

(Wallis and Futuna) **WALLIS AND FUTUNA LOOKS TO GROW TOURISM**
The French Pacific territory is drawing on Pacific networks in Honiara, Solomon Islands, to develop its small tourism sector.
Source: Pacific Islands Report

(Australia) **HONEYBEE SILK COULD HEAL WOUNDS**
CSIRO researchers say silk produced by honeybees could become a new material for smarter wound dressings.
Source: CSIRO

(New Zealand) **NAPIER POOL REOPENS AFTER UPGRADE**
Napier's public pool has reopened after an 11-month remedial upgrade.
Source: NZ Herald

(Kiribati) **IMF SEES KIRIBATI GROWTH SLOWING TO 3%**
The International Monetary Fund warned of fiscal risks in Kiribati as economic growth slows to about 3%.
Source: IMF / Pacific Islands Report

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CANARY ISLANDS

EIGHT ISLANDS, ENDLESS DISCOVERIES

VOLCANIC LANDSCAPES, ATLANTIC BEACHES AND YEAR-ROUND SUNSHINE

Off the northwest coast of Africa, the **Canary Islands** bring together volcanic peaks, Atlantic beaches and a remarkable variety of landscapes.

This Spanish archipelago comprises eight main islands, each with its own character — from Tenerife's towering Mount Teide to the golden dunes of Gran Canaria and the dramatic lava fields of Lanzarote.

Beyond the beaches, the islands invite travellers to explore ancient laurel forests, visit historic towns, enjoy spectacular coastal viewpoints and experience a unique blend of nature, culture and gastronomy. With a mild climate and sunshine throughout the year, the Canary Islands offer the perfect mix of adventure and relaxation.



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GRAN CANARIA



TIMANFAYA NATIONAL PARK
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LAURISILVA FOREST
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NATURE, ADVENTURE AND VIBRANT LIFE

Tenerife, the largest of the Canary Islands, is dominated by Mount Teide, Spain's highest peak and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The island offers a unique mix of volcanic landscapes, golden beaches, charming towns and a lively cultural scene.



MOUNT TEIDE
Spectacular views from Spain's highest peak



LA LAGUNA
A UNESCO-listed historic town



PLAYA DE LAS TERESITAS
A golden beach with crystal-clear waters



LOS GIGANTES
Dramatic cliffs on the west coast

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DUNES, DIVERSITY AND DYNAMIC CITIES

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Iconic golden sand dunes



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A vibrant city with history and culture



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Stunning mountain landscapes



PUERTO DE MOGÁN
A charming coastal town

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- YEAR-ROUND SUNSHINE

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HISTORIC CLUBS

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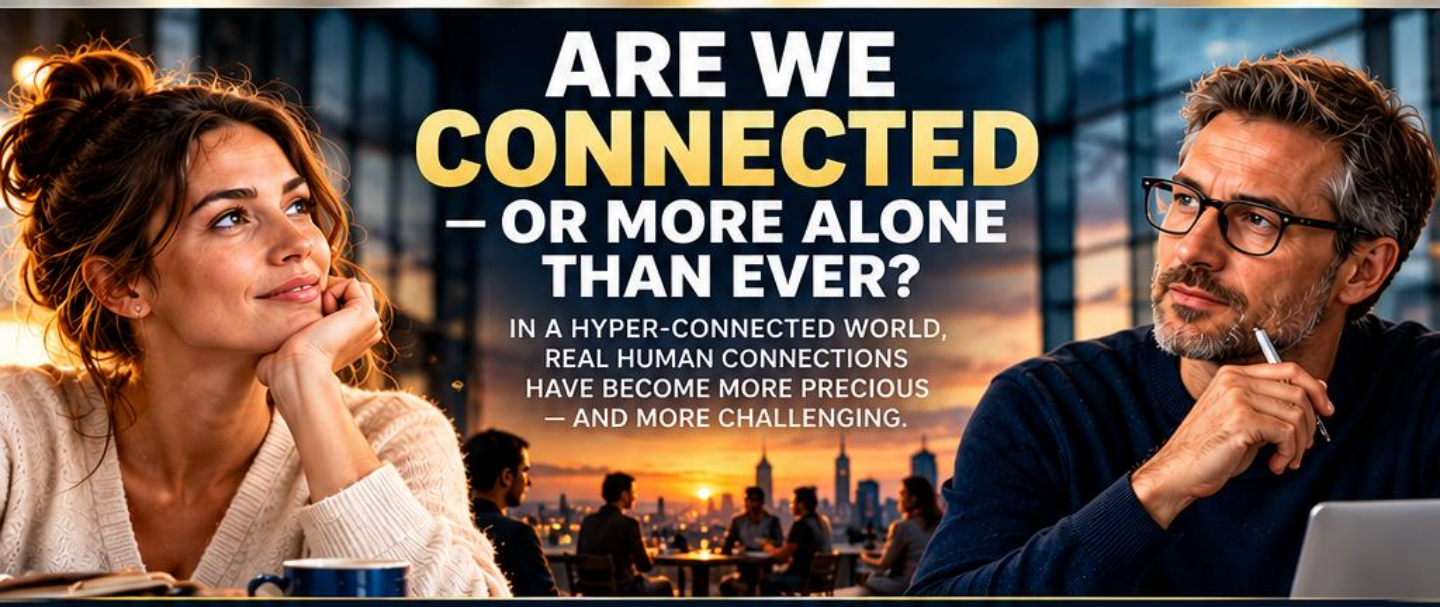
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A WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS



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FINDING BALANCE

BE PRESENT, BOTH ONLINE AND OFFLINE



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IT'S A CHOICE



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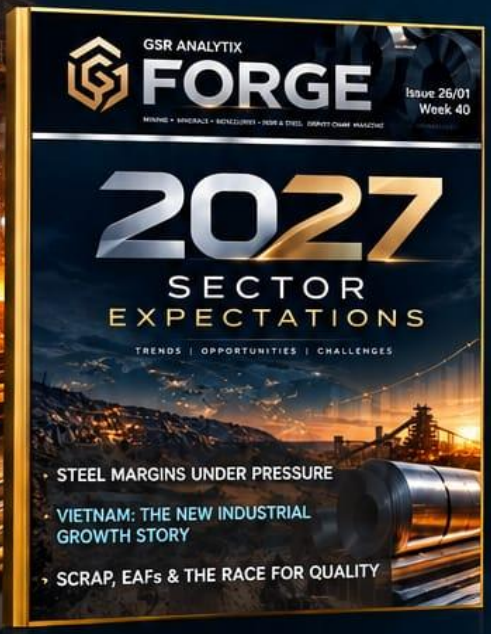
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TOKYO	BEIJING	MUMBAI	DUBAI	SINGAPORE
20°C	16°C	33°C	34°C	31°C
Mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Hot and sunny	Hot and sunny	Showers

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CAIRO	NAIROBI	JOHANNESBURG	LAGOS	CASABLANCA
29°C	25°C	26°C	30°C	23°C
Sunny	Partly cloudy	Sunny	Showers	Partly cloudy

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NEW YORK	LOS ANGELES	MEXICO CITY	SÃO PAULO	BUENOS AIRES
17°C	27°C	23°C	26°C	22°C
Sunny	Sunny	Partly cloudy	Showers	Sunny

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SYDNEY	MELBOURNE	AUCKLAND	BRISBANE	PERTH
24°C	20°C	19°C	27°C	25°C
Sunny	Partly cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny	Partly cloudy

THE ONES LEFT BEHIND

TÜRKIYE'S STREET & ABANDONED DOGS

Behind every dog on the street is a story — some were born there, others once had a home. Abandonment adds new animals to an already difficult cycle, while shelters, municipalities, volunteers and adopters face the challenge of providing safe, humane care.



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CARE, NOT FEAR

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