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MED NEWS HEADLINES FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN

Politics

Greece Hopes EU-Turkey Talks will Ease Tension over Refugee Crisis (Guardian) Greek PM tells the Guardian planned talks including Merkel, Macron and Erdoğan are an opportunity to 'set the record straight.' Read more here.

The United States Must Not Pick Sides in the Nile River Dispute (Foreign Policy) Ethiopia and Egypt are at odds over a Nile dam. Washington should be helping them compromise, rather than doing Cairo's bidding. Read more here.

Libya's Refugees Face Being Cut Off from Aid due to Coronavirus (Guardian)Fear of being left without money or food following suspension of some NGO activities adds to already desperate situation. Read more here.

Tunisia's Wake-Up Call: How Security Challenges From Libya Are Shaping Defense Reforms (Carnegie Endowment for International Peace)

The escalation and spillover of Libya's conflict has posed mounting security challenges for Tunisia and exposed shortfalls in the country's defense transformation, in the areas of capability gaps, interagency coordination, intelligence sharing, strategic planning, and in the military's relationship with foreign security patrons. Read more here.

Environment

Is the EU locking into natural gas despite its promise to lead the global phase-out of fossil fuels? (Equaltimes)

An aerial view of the LNG terminal construction site on the island of Krk in Croatia. The terminal should be operational as of 2021 and will be able to process 2.6 billion cubic metres of gas per year. Current EU policy favours construction of new gas infrastructure, as gas is seen as a less polluting, 'transitional' fossil fuel. Read more here.

Water Scarcity for 250 mln Med Residents After 20 Years (ANSAmed)

Fresh water to drop by 15%, UfM urges shared direction. Read more here.

Climate Change Will Reduce Spanish Olive Oil Production (EOS)

Increased droughts will reduce southern Spain's olive oil output by 30% before the end of the century. Read more here.

Union for the Mediterranean Calls for Regional Action to Tackle Water Scarcity (Neweurope)

Freshwater availability is likely to decrease by 15% in the coming decades. Read more here.

Culture & Archaeology

Area Marina Punta Campanella Candidate for Green List (ANSAmed)

Park near Sorrento vies for excellence. Read more here.

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