



## MED NEWS HEADLINES FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN

### Politics

#### **Greece-Turkey talks souring, EU will take up the Debate (The National Herald)**

As Greek and Turkish officials are due to meet in Athens in March for a second session of resumed exploratory talks - for the 61st time - the European Union will the same month discuss how to ratchet down the tension over claims to the seas. Read more [here](#).

#### **French court finds former President Sarkozy guilty of corruption (Reuters)**

A French court found former President Nicolas Sarkozy guilty on Monday of trying to bribe a judge and influence peddling, making him the second head of state in modern-day France to be convicted of corruption. Read more [here](#).

#### **Arab League gives Egyptian Aboul Gheit second five-year term (Aljazeera)**

The 22-member league based in Cairo has been led predominantly by Egyptian diplomats since its foundation in 1945. Read more [here](#).

#### **The EU's prospects in the Mediterranean (Times of Malta)**

Economic prosperity in the EU depends on growth from within, but also on external factors such as geo-political stability. Read more [here](#).

### Environment

#### **Is the Mediterranean Basin really a hotspot of environmental change? (MENAFN)**

The Mediterranean basin, which includes the Mediterranean Sea and the countries it borders, is often referred to as a hotspot for climate change and biodiversity. Read more [here](#).

#### **Environment: campaign Tunisian Zero Waste starts (ANSAMed)**

On Global Recycling Day, which is celebrated every year on March 18, the collective "Tunisian Zero Waste" is launching a national campaign called "Tunisia without waste". Read more [here](#).

#### **Spanish farmers deeply split as ban on hunting wolves is extended (Guardian)**

The predators, protected in the south, are widely blamed for attacks on livestock but some think coexistence is possible. Read more [here](#).

### **Fears grow for endangered turtles after oil spill hits Lebanon (Aljazeera)**

Dozens of volunteers have undertaken the painstaking task of cleaning beaches but are finding it impossible to clear the sand. Read more [here](#).

## **Culture & Archeology**

### **Protecting Cyprus wonders – Halloumi, wine, dams, beaches (Financial Mirror)**

We are unlucky in many respects as we live in a country with financial troubles and many adverse side effects. Read more [here](#).

### **Archeologists find intact ceremonial chariot near Pompeii (PBS)**

Officials at the Pompeii archaeological site in Italy announced Saturday the discovery of an intact ceremonial chariot, one of several important discoveries made in the same area outside the park near Naples following an investigation into an illegal dig. Read more [here](#).

## **Caricature of the Week**



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