



MED NEWS HEADLINES FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN

Politics

Spain will relaunch talks with Catalan separatist government in September (Reuters)

Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez met Catalonia's new pro-independence regional head on Tuesday for the first time as the central government sought to improve ties after pardoning nine jailed separatist leaders. Read more [here](#).

What's it actually like living under France's far right? (Foreign Policy)

A town in the south of France offers clues to what may be in store for the rest of the country. Read more [here](#).

What about culture in the Turkey-Greece dialogue? (Hürriyet Daily News)

I know that some may think that this is the wrong time to talk about culture, when so much is going on in politics or the economy. This is the time of political analysts, international relations specialists, economists and financial experts. Culture is way down the priority list for people who run countries. Read more [here](#).

'I get nightmares': Turks fear impact of Erdoğan's \$65bn Istanbul canal (The Guardian)

The louder opposing voices grow, the more determined the president becomes to go ahead with his 'grand fantasy project'. Read more [here](#).

Environment

Photos: Turkey's Sea-Snot Disaster (The Atlantic)

For more than six months now, parts of the Sea of Marmara along Turkey's coast have been covered in a thick layer of glop known as mucilage, or "sea snot." Read more [here](#).

Wind and the sun power Greek islands' green energy switch (France24)

In the tranquil Greek island of Tilos, a wind turbine hums over a silvery sea while scorching sun rays hit a hill lined with solar panels. Read more [here](#).

The long legacy of France's nuclear tests in Algeria (The Economist)

Locals at least want to know where France buried its nuclear waste. Read more [here](#).

Tunisia: Pollution Threatens Maritime Environment in Bizerte Despite Efforts (allAfrica)

Maritime pollution in Bizerte keeps on increasing and damaging the environment in the region. The beaches, the old harbour, the lakes and lagoons of the governorate, each suffers a different form of pollution that threatens the well-being of species therein. Read more [here](#).

Culture & Archeology

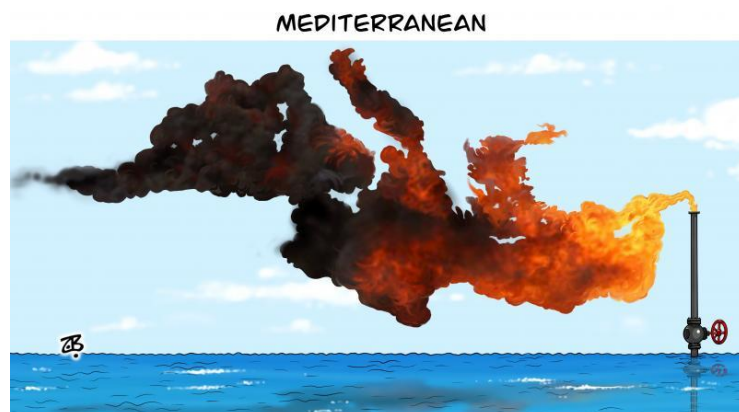
2,800-year-old Urartian castle discovered in Van (Public Radio of Armenia)

A team of archaeologists has unearthed a castle dating back to the Urartian era in eastern Turkey, Hurriyet Daily News reports. Read more [here](#).

Tunceli's Tozkoparan Mound hosts new archaeological excavations (Daily Sabah)

Archaeological excavations at the Tozkoparan Mound in Turkey's Tunceli province are expected to make the city one of the historical tourism centers of eastern Anatolia with thousands of years of history waiting to be uncovered. Read more [here](#).

Caricature of the Week



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