



## **MED NEWS**

### **HEADLINES FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN**

#### **Politics**

##### **Libya Halts Oil Exports from Key Ports Amid Political Crisis (Bloomberg)**

Libya's state oil company suspended shipments from two key eastern ports, according to people familiar with the matter, amid a worsening political crisis in the OPEC member. Read more [here](#).

##### **Egypt, Greece, Cyprus Boost Military Cooperation in EastMed Region (Al-Monitor)**

Egypt, Greece, and Cyprus have promoted their military relations in the face of security threats and to defend their interests in the Eastern Mediterranean that is rich in oil and gas reserves. Read more [here](#).

##### **Spain to Increase Military Spending to Reach 2% of GDP by 2029 (La Prensa Latina)**

Spain will increase its defense spending to 2% of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 2029, prime minister Pedro Sanchez said on Thursday. Read more [here](#).

##### **Israel Gets New PM as Netanyahu Targets Comeback (BBC News)**

Yair Lapid has become Israel's interim prime minister, taking over from PM Naftali Bennett after just one year. Read more [here](#).

#### **Environment**

##### **EU Countries Approve Climate Laws, 2035 Fossil Fuel Car Ban (Al-Jazeera)**

The 27 EU countries agree to support the 2035 fossil fuel car ban and compromise on fund to shield citizens from CO2 costs.

Read more [here](#).

##### **Marseille, Alexandria, and Istanbul Prepare for Mediterranean Tsunami (The Guardian)**

Risk of significant tsunami within next 30 years is nearly 100%, Unesco says, as it urges coastal cities to become 'tsunami-ready'.

Read more [here](#).

### **Colonizing Sea Urchins in The Mediterranean Can Withstand Hot, Acidic Seas (Science Daily)**

In bubbling vents off the coast of Ischia, a volcanic island in the Gulf of Naples, lives a curious population of black sea urchins. For at least 30 years, they have lived in these low pH, carbon dioxide-rich environments -- a proxy for climate change-induced acidic oceans.

Read more [here](#).

### **Amount of Pollution in Haifa Bay is Still among the Highest in Israel -Study (The Jerusalem Post)**

The study compared levels of metals and other pollutants in new mothers living in Haifa and their infants and those in the center of the country shows differences. Read more [here](#).

## **Culture & Archeology**

### **Roman-era Artifacts Found in Archaeology Park Excavations (Hürriyet Daily News)**

The archaeological park excavations, carried out by the Ankara Metropolitan Municipality, have unearthed many movable and non-movable Roman-era artifacts. Read more [here](#).

### **2,200 Year Old Alexander the Great Statue Discovered in Alexandria (Greek Reporter)**

The Ministry of Antiquities in Cairo has recently discovered a statue of Alexander the Great within an ancient “residential and commercial zone” in Alexandria that they believe was a trade center in the region during the Ptolemaic period. Read more [here](#).

### **'Pazar//Shuk', A Voyage Through Istanbul, Tel Aviv Markets (ANSamed)**

Two apparently faraway places, Istanbul, and Tel Aviv, meet every day in the authentic culture of food markets that liven up the streets of the two cities. Read more [here](#).

### **Beer Was Brewed in Bronze Age Greece (Greek Reporter)**

Greece is known for its wine, but it seems ancient Greeks were not only winemakers but also fond of brewing and drinking beer, a recent study suggests. Read more [here](#).

## **Caricature of the Week**



Thoughts And Worries (Miguel Morales Madrigal)

You can find the original link [here](#).

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