



MED NEWS HEADLINES FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN

Politics

Why Tunisians are now risking their lives trying to cross the Mediterranean to Europe (NPR)

Overlooking the harbor in Zarzis in southeast Tunisia, fisherman-turned-café owner Lotfi Bin Mohammed Issa serves up small cups of coffee. Read more [here](#).

'Israeli democracy is in danger,' The New York Times writes in op-ed (i24news)

The next government led by prime minister-designate Benjamin Netanyahu puts Israeli democracy at risk, according to a New York Times op-ed published on Saturday. Read more [here](#).

IMF executive board approves \$3bln Egypt extended arrangement (Zawya)

Egypt's finances, already suffering from high debt and a lack of foreign currency, deteriorated sharply after the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Read more [here](#).

Greece Warns Albania of Turkey's "Revisionism" in the Balkans (Greek Reporter)

Greece warned Albania of Turkey's revisionism in the western Balkans during a visit of Greek FM Nikos Dendias to Tirana on Wednesday. Read more [here](#).

Environment

Environmental activists protest oil tanker's arrival at Eilat port (The Times of Israel)

Activists from the Society for the Protection of Nature in Israel and the Gulf of Eilat Rangers protest the arrival of an oil tanker in the southern Red Sea city of Eilat. Read more [here](#).

AfDB approves \$27 million for Tunisian solar plant (ANSAméd)

The Board of Directors of the African Development Bank Group has approved a \$27 million and €10 million loan package to co-finance the construction of a 100-megawatt Solar power plant in Kairouan, Tunisia, it announced in a statement on Thursday. Read more [here](#).

Earthquakes in Greece: The Areas of High Risk (Greek Reporter)

The frequency of earthquake activity in Greece makes it rank sixth in the world and first in Europe in the damage caused by temblors. Read more [here](#).

Halcyon Days: When Spring Appears in the Middle of Winter in Greece (Greek Reporter)

Greece is reputed to have almost 300 days of sunshine a year, even during the winter when the unique phenomenon of the Halcyon Days, aka Alkyonides Days, takes place, creating a mini summer break amidst the winter. Read more [here](#).

Culture & Archeology

Female Artisans May Have Created Archaic Pottery, Researcher Says (Greek Reporter)

The striking, nearly 5-foot tall Dipylon Amphora, from approximately 700 BC, is a masterpiece of the art of Ancient Greek pottery. Read more [here](#).

'Smyrna', a film to remember a tragedy - and learn (ANSAméd)

The tragedy of Smyrna has deeply affected the history of Greece and of the entire eastern Mediterranean but has been mostly forgotten by the rest of the world. Smyrna (today's Izmir, in Turkey) was once a leading cosmopolitan centre, which in 1922 became the epicentre of the Turkish response to an attempt by Greek troops to annex Anatolia. Read more [here](#).

Crocodile heads — buried 4,000 years ago — uncovered in tombs in Egypt, photos show (The Herald)

A pair of ancient nobles died thousands of years ago and were buried in nearby tombs in Egypt. Excavations of these graves revealed a first-of-its-kind discovery. Read more [here](#).

Roman, Byzantine antiquities to be restored to original site at Thessaloniki metro in spring 2023 (Amna News)

The antiquities detached from the ground during excavations for the Thessaloniki metro will be returned to the site of the 'Venizelos' stop level -1 in the spring of 2023, a Culture & Sports Ministry announcement said on Thursday. Read more [here](#).

Caricature of the Week



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