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Tourism:

Touring around Tehran with Tourism Buses



The International Tourism Company of “Ganjineh Banader” will organize touring tours around Tehran with tourism buses. The inauguration of this tour was held in front of Tehran’s Olympic Hotel with presence of activists in tourism industry and authorities of Iran’s Cultural Heritage and Tourism Organization.

Considering the high tourism potentials of Tehran city and its variety attractions, organizing night tours, religion tours, handicraft tours, and flower and plants tours would be the other programs for boosting Tehran’s tourism.

Source: <http://www.chnpress.com/news/?section=1&id=1871>

Cultural Section:

Iranian Film Festival in Netherlands

Iranian Film Festival 2007 takes place for the second time in Utrecht and aims to offer an innovative image of the Iranian filmmakers.

The Iranian Film Festival is to be held September 21-23 in the Louis Hartlooper Complex in the city of Utrecht.

www.iraansfilmfestival.nl

Source: <http://www.presstv.ir/Detail.aspx?id=14223§ionid=351020105>

Upcoming events “Iranian House”:

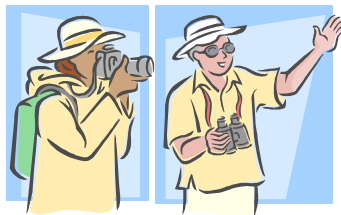
Invitation to:
Iran, another Paradise



“Touring through Iran”

Saturday 1 September 2007 18:00-20:00

Iranian House, Duinweg 24, The Hague



We welcome you to an interesting photo slide presentation and film of Iran’s places of interest along with the experience of Iran’s culinary kitchen and music.

More information will be made available in next editions of our newsletter.

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Economic Section:

Iran National Flower Day

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The Association of Iranian Flower and Ornamental Plant Producers are encouraging cultivators to use genetic engineering in production.

While most world cultivators produce genetically modified flowers, Iranian flower cultivators' still use traditional methods. However, we have taken necessary steps to revolutionize traditional cultivation methods and are trying to encourage production units to incorporate genetic engineering to enhance flower production," the chairman of the Association of Iranian Flower and Ornamental Plant Producers said.

Source: <http://www.presstv.ir/Detail.aspx?id=13253§ionid=351020102>



Iran annual flower export over \$30m



Official government statistics have indicated that Iranian greenhouses cultivate and export over 30 million dollars worth of flowers annually.

Not many people may know that the highly demanded and popular flowers in the West actually originate from the Middle Eastern mountainous regions.

Although the tulip is generally associated with Holland, it actually grew wild in ancient Persia. Legend says a scarlet tulip sprang from each drop of Farhad's blood. Farhad is a legendary character identical to Shakespeare's Romeo.

Colorful floral designs decorate Iranian carpets, rugs and other traditional artworks. Flowers are also a recurring motif in Persian poetry.

The Mahalat tulip fields in Iran attract a large number of tourists every year.



More at: <http://www.presstv.ir/Detail.aspx?id=12480§ionid=351020102>



Iran, 5th crude supplier to EU



Iran exported 12.7 billion euro worth of crude oil to EU member states in 2006

A report by the European Commission suggests that Iran was the 5th largest crude oil supplier to European Union member states in 2006.

According to the report, quoted by the Iranian Fars news agency, Iran exported a total of 12.7 billion euro worth of crude oil to EU member states in 2006.

This indicates a rise of 6% over 2005, the report added.

EU's ten major crude oil suppliers in 2006 were Russia, Norway, Libya, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Nigeria, Algeria, the Republic of Azerbaijan and Iraq.

Source: <http://www.presstv.ir/Detail.aspx?id=13587§ionid=351020103>



Science:

IRI enjoys speedy scientific progress



The Islamic Republic of Iran in comparison to the third world countries enjoys significant scientific progress, Deputy President in scientific and technology affairs said on Sunday.

Sadegh Vaez-Zadeh said that despite speedy progress of Iran in the recent years, "We have a long way to the goals of 20 and 50 years scientific plan of the country."

"We have 3 million university students and more than one hundred thousand of scientists, researchers in the country who can be considered as the great source for producing science," he added.

He hailed big scientific and technological potentials in the country and urged officials to make use of these potentials.

"Iranian scientific presence has increased in the world different scenes which has surprised many of the scientists and elites," he added.

Source: http://www.iribnews.ir/Full_en.asp?news_id=239498

