

Prayer Timings

Fajr	04:55	Asr	14:31
Sunrise ..	06:18	Maghrib ..	16:51
Zohr	11:34	Isha	18:11

Local

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Culture core

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as part of a global, collective human heritage. Organised with Musée du Louvre, this exhibition is curated by Xavier Salmon, director of the Drawings and Prints department at Musée du Louvre and Victor Hundsbockler, curator at the same department.

The Emotions! The New Art Adventure exhibition also continues in Louvre Abu Dhabi's Children's Museum. Children and families navigate three floors of interactive activities, artworks, and games to explore four key emotions: joy, sadness, fear, and anger. Children can learn to let unpleasant feelings go, explore ways cultivate happiness, and come away understanding all emotions. Access to the museum and the exhibition is free to all children under 18.

New Loans & Acquisitions

Coinciding with the museum's anniversary, 59 new loans and 56 new acquisitions will go on view in Louvre Abu Dhabi's galleries. Works on loan come from lending institutions within the France Museums network, along with regional and local partners. These artworks will be installed among those in Louvre Abu Dhabi's permanent collection, creating new narratives and stories of cultural connections between artworks in formal and thematic dialogues.

In celebration of the UAE's 50th National Day, Louvre Abu Dhabi will display artworks from each of the seven Emirates – including loans from national museums and institutions such as the Department of Culture and Tourism – Abu Dhabi and Dubai Municipality.

Returning visitors to the museum will be greeted by an entirely new pairing of works upon entry – the bronze sculpture The Words I Love Most by Egyptian artist Ghada Amer (2012) on loan from the Guggenheim Abu Dhabi in dialogue with the new acquisition Series of eight allegories attributed to Jacob de Backer (Antwerp, active between 1571 and 1585). Both works explore the infinite possibilities of word and image in expressing complex human and societal values, such as love, charity and hope. These are universal, moral guideposts which, although represented differently, continue to connect civilisations across time and geographies.

Events and Workshops

As part of its Research Programme, Louvre Abu Dhabi is presenting a talk series in collaboration with Cartier at the Women's Pavilion at EXPO 2020 Dubai, using artworks from the museum's collection to initiate discussions on landmark moments in women's history.

To celebrate the nation's Jubilee, December will see the museum's iconic dome transformed into an audio-visual installation reflecting 50 years of the UAE, including a roller-skating rink for an event in collaboration with Madrollers, open to children in the afternoon and to young people in the evening. The event will consist of dynamic, digital wall-mapping showcasing images and videos of the UAE over the past five decades, alongside a DJ playing nostalgic Emirati music.

Enjoy Drawing at the Museum each week, exploring an artwork, developing sketching skills and learning about different aspects of drawing. Learn about form and perspective from ancient ceramics and reliefs, marvel at the intricacy of the human form, analyse light and shade, and observe the dome and architecture. Participants end each two-hour visit by participating in a group discussion to critically reflect, share insights and discuss ideas.

The museum's #MakeandPlay initiative will continue in the form of videos online and drop-in sessions at the museum. Visit the museum and feel free to re-imagine artworks your way. Make and Play drop-in activities are linked to the museum artworks, allowing participants to create an original flipbook, a helmet, a mask, a costume, or a paper horse, in four activity stations. All the materials are provided, and museum educators are on-hand to support for a fee of AED 50 per person. These events will run alongside the ongoing programming directed at senior Emirati citizens and People of Determination.

In addition to the museum's renowned fine dining restaurant Fouquet's and the newly renovated Aptitude Café, Louvre Abu Dhabi's Art Lounge reopened on 12 October. The perfect place to gather with friends and enjoy a post-gallery visit refreshment, the rooftop Art Lounge offers a wide selection of beverages and light bites amid stunning, unobstructed views of the Abu Dhabi skyline. With something happening every night of the week, check the museum's website for more details on the various offers.

LATES started again from 3 November, with the Wednesday Dome edition allowing visitors to enjoy complimentary access under the dome from 6:30 pm – 9 pm. Take in the extraordinary architecture of the 'museum city' as the sun sets over the sea. The evenings will be themed, offering programming such as poetry and film screenings, and special dining options will be on offer at the museum's food outlets - sushi nights at Art Lounge or pizza nights at Aptitude Cafe.

For any visitors undertaking a self-guided tour at the museum, or wishing to explore from afar, WE ARE NOT ALONE is a futuristic audio-visual experience available via Louvre Abu Dhabi's website and app, offering users a sci-fi-inspired tour developed by SOUNDWALK COLLECTIVE and narrated by Hussain Al Jassmi, Willem Dafeo, Charlotte Gainsbourg, Zhou Dongyu, Nina Kraviz, Wim Wenders and Jean Nouvel.

Ongoing offers and promotions:

Teachers are eligible for unlimited access to Louvre Abu Dhabi and its programming with the museum's Teacher Pass. The Teacher Pass is available at AED 120 for teachers, academics and other educators holding valid accreditation, based in the UAE or abroad. Further information and terms and conditions on all offers and promotions can be found on the museum's website: www.louvreabudhabi.ae.

Team led by PAI's director-general

GMIS kicks off in Dubai with Kuwait's participation

DUBAI, Nov 22, (KUNA): The fourth edition of the Global Manufacturing and Industrialization Summit (GMIS) kicked off Monday, with the participation of over 250 speakers worldwide, including Kuwait.

The Kuwaiti delegation is headed by the Director General of the Kuwait Public Authority for Industry (PAI) Abdulkarim Taqi, on behalf of the Kuwaiti Minister of Commerce and Industry, and is accompanied by the Deputy Director General of the Development and Industrial License Sector Shamlan Al-Juhaidli, and other officials.

The activities of the session, which will continue until November 27, will be held at the Dubai Exhibition Centre at Expo 2020.

GMIS will host UN leaders, heads of state, ministers and CEOs of major global industrial companies to discuss the latest technological and industrial trends, as well as identify strategies that will achieve the UN sustainable development goals.

The summit, a joint initiative between the UAE Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology and the UN Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), will be held over

six days under the theme, Rewiring Societies: Repurposing Digitalization for Prosperity.

The days of the summit will host over 70 sessions regarding the role of technology in shaping the future of the industrial sector, green manufacturing, sustainable energy, climate change, decision-making, investments, artificial intelligence and other topics.

GMIS contains the participation of 25 ministers, senior government officials and representatives of major international academic institutions from Imperial College London, Carnegie Mellon University, University of Tokyo, University of Trieste and University of Cambridge.

In this context, Minister of Industry and Advanced Technology Dr. Sultan Al Jaber, co-chair of GMIS, said that he was pleased to host the fourth edition of the summit.

This summit is gaining special importance through its focus on the technologies of the Fourth Industrial Revolution, which provide great opportunities to make a positive difference, support industrial and economic progress, as well as accelerate solutions to ensure sustainable development, Al-Jaber added in a press statement.

Weather

light to moderate north westerly wind with speeds of 10-30 km/h and some scattered clouds will appear.

Station	Max Exp	Min Rec
Kuwait City	26	21
Kuwait Airport	27	20
Abdaly	27	18

Jahra	29	20
Salmiyah	24	21
Ahmadi	25	22
Nuwaisib	28	21
Wafra	28	18
Salmay	26	17
Jal Aliyah	28	18

CBK seeks banks help for e-payment system

Call to hire highly competent staff

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 22: The Central Bank of Kuwait (CBK) has asked the banks for the results of the economic feasibility study to establish a joint stock company specialized in the field of electronic payment system, in order to develop and operate the company's retail payment systems before the banks start the procedures for its establishment, reports Al-Rai daily.

The Central Bank stressed the need for banks to attract highly qualified cadres to manage and operate the retail payment systems efficiently and effectively in accordance with security standards.

It insisted on the need to keep abreast of the latest developments and technologies applied globally, in a way that meets the market requirements and customer needs, and in a manner characterized by high flexibility and keenness to keep up with the latest developments and technologies applied globally.

According to informed sources, some banks recommended modifying the proposed company's business model. They do not object to the new

company being independent of the shared automated banking services company "KNet", and that it is entrusted with the basic business task of developing and operating retail payment systems, but they do not prefer the new company to be cloned from KNet with all its services.

The Central Bank said to the banks that after reviewing the proposed timetable for the procedures of establishing the company, operating it, and carrying out its work, it agrees to establish the company according to the initial plan submitted by banks, taking into account the following aspects:

1. Submit a monthly report on the developments
2. Present the results of the economic feasibility study for the establishment of the company before the incorporation procedures
3. Present a proposal for the governance of the retail payments systems project
4. Ensure that the project schedule includes an assessment of security systems and products before releasing them to the public, based on the cyber-security strategic framework for the banking sector in Kuwait
5. Present the policies and work procedures related to offering training on the electronic payment of funds before starting the procedures for registering the company as a practitioner.

Message from Azerbaijan embassy to Kuwait

'Kuwait-Azerbaijan seek UNESCO help to restore battle-hit heritage'

First of all, I would like to take this noble opportunity to congratulate the Government of Kuwait on its election to the UNESCO Executive Board.

Kuwait has been represented in various UNESCO bodies and has fulfilled its mission with dignity. In addition to supporting the organization's activity, Kuwait has provided significant financial support to UNESCO projects in neighbouring countries such as Yemen, Lebanon and Iraq.

These noble gestures are highly appreciated by the leadership of the organization, as well as by the countries of the world as a major humanitarian step. In particular, we believe that the donations provided by the Government of Kuwait to ensure access to education for refugee children affected by the Syrian crisis are invaluable.

I would like to note that the Republic of Azerbaijan also has been elected a member of a similar organization from the Eastern European Group for 2021-2025. This means new opportunities for cooperation for the two brotherly and friendly countries. Thus, both countries once suffered from occupation, historical and cultural monuments were destroyed, looted and faced great deprivation.

Thanks to the Almighty God, we have overcome many difficulties, we are restoring our stolen and destroyed historical and cultural monuments, and at the same time moving forward on the path of economic development.

Azerbaijan and Kuwait cooperate in a mutually beneficial way in international organizations such as the United Nations, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation and the Non-Aligned Movement. Both countries also closely cooperate and support the activities of organizations such as UNESCO and ISESCO.

Within the framework of cooperation with these organizations, many international conferences and forums are organized in Baku. Since 2011, our country has been hosting the World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue, organized with the support of the UN Alliance of Civilizations, UNESCO, the Council of Europe, the North-South Center of the Council of Europe and ISESCO, and universal values such as multicultural values, peaceful coexistence, religious and ethnic tolerance are promoted.

The Baku International Humanitarian Forum, organized since 2011 and supported by UNESCO, annually brings together prominent statesmen, Nobel laureates in various fields of science and influential international organizations to hold a wide range of dialogues, exchange of views and discussions on global issues of human interest. It is an event that brings together leaders, as well as prominent representatives of the world's political, scientific and cultural elites.

Azerbaijan is home to various national minorities who speak different languages, and along with Islam, monuments belonging to other religions have been preserved for centuries and passed on to future generations.

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The Icheri Sheher and Gobustan Rock Art Cultural Landscape, along with the Shirvanshahs' Palace and Maiden's Tower, Sheki khan's palace with historical center of Sheki city are included in the list of world cultural heritage of Azerbaijani architecture.

The UNESCO list of intangible cultural heritage from Azerbaijan includes more than 10 examples (Azerbaijani "ashug" music, Novruz holiday, Azerbaijani carpet weaving, Azerbaijani "tar" performing art, Women's headscarf "Kelaghayi", Lahij coppersmith art, a type of bread "Lavash", national food "Dolma", national musical instrument "Kamancha", Epic "Dede Gorgud", Pomegranate Festival, Miniature art in Azerbaijan) of intangible cultural heritage. The first example, Azerbaijani mugam, was included in the list in 2008.

The lower jawbone, discovered in the Azykh Cave in 1968, is closer to the Pithecanthropus, especially to the Mauer's jaw, and to the pre-Neanderthal type of people found in the ancient Aschelian stratum of the Condèle-Arago camp in southern France.

These monuments and archaeological finds prove that Azerbaijan is one of the settlements with rich and ancient culture. At the same time, Azerbaijan's location at the crossroads of the East and the West has further enriched its culture.

In recent years, Azerbaijan has made great contributions to the preservation of world cultural heritage. Thus, the repair and restoration of many historical and cultural monuments in France, Italy, the Vatican, as well as other European countries was carried out with the financial support of the Heydar Aliyev Foundation under the leadership of Goodwill Ambassador of UNESCO and ISESCO, First Vice-President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Mrs. Mehriban Aliyeva.

Finally, we hope that a reputable international organization such as UNESCO will pay greater attention to the protection and restoration of historical and cultural monuments damaged during the conflict, and close cooperation between Azerbaijan and Kuwait in the Executive Board will provide a more objective approach to such issues.

Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan to the State of Kuwait



Picture taken at the signing of the MoU between the Ministry of Oil and the Kuwait Society for Strategic Planning.

Various targets eyed

Oil, KSSP ink cooperation deal

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 22, (KUNA): The Kuwaiti Ministry of Oil signed on Monday a memorandum of cooperation with the Kuwait Society for Strategic Planning (KSSP) aimed at achieving knowledge partnership, improving performance quality, raising the level of human resources and optimal cooperation in the areas of strategic planning.

The Ministry of Oil said in a press statement that the memorandum of cooperation aims to coordinate and cooperate to achieve the public interest, as well as raise the professional level of various authorities and develop their scientific competencies in the field of strategic planning by providing consultations, scientific studies and specialized training in order to advance knowledge and achieve professional integration.

The ministry added that the two parties agreed to work to stimulate all knowledge partnerships and establish cooperation in all common issues related to the areas of strategic planning and what it contains of renewable knowledge related to the work of the Ministry of Oil in order to achieve the public interest in terms of improving the quality of performance, raising the level of human resource and achieving effectiveness.

It explained that the cooperation protocol between the two sides included exchanging visits and supporting communication between them to strengthen joint cooperation and continuous coordination in the areas of strategic planning.

It stated that the memorandum of cooperation supports the submission of issues related to planning, strategic communication, change management, related challenges, development projects, various reports and studies, to the Kuwait Society for Strategic Planning with the aim of working according to an evolutionary strategy which enhances more effectiveness and flexibility in work.

It stated that the Kuwait Society for Strategic Planning will provide advisory services and professional development and put the Ministry of Oil in a renewed link with all knowledge institutions and specialized local and international organizations.

The ministry pointed out that the memorandum of cooperation stipulated the necessity of defining topics and projects related to the areas of planning, strategic communication and change management in the field of petroleum wealth and related matters, and giving them priority in various professional development services and advisory support in the common issues agreed upon between the two parties.

The Ministry of Oil confirmed that the two parties agreed to form a joint working group to enhance cooperation and grant the required facilitation to solve various challenges and follow up on the implementation of what was stated in this memorandum.

The memorandum of cooperation was signed by the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Oil, Sheikh Dr. Nimr Fahd Al-Malik Al-Sabah, and Dr. Manal Al-Hasawi, Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Kuwait Society for Strategic Planning.

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