**Qatar economy set to expand on stronger domestic, foreign demand**

The Qatar economy is projected to expand on stronger domestic and foreign demand due to the expected recovery of oil prices and increased government spending. The higher oil prices will boost government revenues, while the increased spending is expected to support consumption and investment. The economy is also benefiting from the Qatar National Vision 2030, which aims to diversify the economy away from its heavy reliance on oil and gas. The government has announced a number of projects and initiatives to support economic growth and create jobs for the local population.

**Federer for competitive action at 2021 Qatar ExxonMobil Open**

Federer, the four-time champion, will be aiming to add to his Qatar Open title as he returns for his seventh appearance in Doha. The Swiss legend has had a mixed start to the season, but is expected to put in a strong performance in Doha. He will be up against strong competition, including top-ranked players, but his experience and talent make him a formidable force in the tournament.
Making virtual workshop on exams

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Mariam al-Misnad appointed as DI's executive director

The number of exhibitors participating in Milipol Qatar 2021, which is taking place in Doha, was announced on Sunday.

Al Misnad has served as an executive member of the Orphans Care Centre (Dromos) and Protection and Rehabilitation Centre (Dromos) since the first edition of the exhibition, and has been active in promoting awareness of the importance of the role of the private sector in the field of homeland security and the need to strengthen the cooperation between the private and public sectors.

The event has been postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic, but will take place on October 21-23, 2021, at the Qatar National Convention Centre. The exhibition is expected to attract a large number of international companies and institutions from the Middle East, Europe, Asia, and the United States.

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Doha Institute for Graduate Studies (DI) has appointed Mariam bint Ali bin Nasser al-Misnad as its executive director of the Administration and Human Resources Division.

El-Affendi, DI acting president, welcomed Al-Misnad and noted that her appointment is an important step in the development of the institute.

Al-Misnad has been a member of the institute’s board of directors and has been an active member of the executive committee.

She holds an Executive Master’s degree in strategic planning and business management at the Qatar Leadership Centre, and has served as an executive director of the Orphans Care Centre (Dromos).

In support of the Dow Chemical Company’s (DOW) 10th annual Global Citizenship Day celebrations, the Qatar National Broadband Network (QNB) announced the following tender:

The tender documents can be obtained after submitting a request to Tender@qnb.qa, including:

- A signed and sealed letter of intent (mentioning the subject, tender reference, company contact details including phone, fax and e-mail of the focal point)

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   h. The closing time is at 12:00 PM QST (Qatari Standard Time). The closing date mentioned on the tender will be considered as the deadline for submission of bids.

   i. Offers must be valid for 120 days from the date of signing the contract.

   j. Offers must be submitted in a sealed envelope and placed in the tender box. Offers must be submitted before the closing time of the tender.

   k. Offers submitted after the expiration of contract period will be considered.
Alfardan Exchange would like to draw the attention of our valued clients whose unclaimed remittance transactions as appearing below, they are kindly requested to visit our branch at Alfardan Centre, Ground Floor, Grand Hamad Street to claim their amount within one month.

For more information please contact our customer care on 4455 7777
Apsetar honours medical staff for safe resumption of sports events

Excellent sales at yards in February

Excellent sales at yards in February, amounting to about 2,191 tonnes of fresh vegetables, 6.8 tonnes of fish, 45.6% of locally produced honey and 0.5% of Qatari mushrooms. Sales of vegetables in February were different types of Qatari-grown products such as tomato, cucumber, eggplant, capsicum, cauliflower, cabbage, zucchini and other leafy vegetables. Printemps and other Qatari-grown products such as tomatoes, eggplants, and other vegetables.</p>

QTerminals signs MoU for Qatar port rail infrastructure

QTerminals recently signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with viêm nhân viên và lãnh đạo quản lý công ty, nhằm thúc đẩy hợp tác trong lĩnh vực cung cấp dịch vụ và quản lý. QTerminals will develop, monitor, and organize seminars and workshops on the technical aspects of business management, providing support tailored to the ever-changing needs of entrepreneurs, in addition to offering networking opportunities with local businesses, experts, and investors. Through this MoU, entrepreneurs will be able to participate in a 10-week training programme on how to launch and grow projects with the participation of prominent museum and successful industry leaders, with the aim of providing them with a comprehensive understanding of the successful business in the fashion industry, and enabling them to transition their ideas into Qatari fashion brands with global aspirations. Through a series of seminars, leading industry speakers will share their secrets of success and inspire the talented entrepreneurs to take their brands forward. In addition, various experts and professionals from the industry will share their experiences and knowledge on how to succeed in the fashion industry.

Indian envoy inaugurates ICC Students Forum

The ICC Students Forum has been inaugurated by Indian ambassador Dr Joseph Hoddle, the Indian Cultural Centre (ICC) has announced. The forum serves as a platform for discovering their talents, skills and knowledge. In his address at a virtual meeting, the ambassador stressed that “students are the minds of enquiry, spirit of enquiry”, and “everyday in life is an examination”. Dr Hoddle also referred to student’s holiness and their importance. “The ICC Students Forum platform can give the students a chance to pursue their interests and be inspired and become professionals.” The event was attended by nearly 150 participants, including officials from the Indian embassy, and students. The forum provides a platform for exploring talents, creativity and innovative approaches in dealing with complex issues, and preparing the next generation Indians, Dr Hoddle said in a press statement.

QDB, M7 launch ‘Scale7’ – Qatar’s first fashion, design business incubator

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“The initiative aligns with Aspetar’s role to advance Qatar’s sports, fashion, and cultural industries, and to contribute to the future of the economy, and propel the nation on the world stage. “We are proud of the services provided by Aspetar to Qatar football and all sports in general. We are here standing together today to celebrate our contribution and commitment to the development of Qatar and sport in general. Qatar Football Association, Qatar Stars League (QSL).”

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Egypt Sudan reject Ethiopia Nile dam ‘fait accompli’: Sisi

Elections President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi has vowed to proceed with the construction of the Grand Ethiopian Renaissance Dam (GERD) on the Blue Nile, as the country’s president has declared the project a fait accompli.

On Friday, Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed confirmed that he had met with President Sisi in Khartoum to discuss the ongoing construction of the dam, which has been a source of tension between the two countries.

In a statement released after the meeting, Mr. Ahmed said that the project was a matter of national importance and that Ethiopia would continue to work towards its completion.

Sudan, which is a major beneficiary of the GERD, has expressed concerns over the dam’s impact on its water supply, with President al-Sisi insisting that the project is necessary for the country’s development.

The meeting in Khartoum comes amid growing calls for a resolution to the dispute between Ethiopia, Sudan, and Egypt, with the United Nations and the African Union calling for a diplomatic solution.

However, Mr. Ahmed insisted that the dam’s construction would proceed as planned, despite Sudan’s objections.

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Lebanon's caretaker PM Diab pleads for new gov't

Beirut

Lebanon's caretaker Prime Minister Hassan Diab said on Tuesday he would not form a new government, even as many politicians returned to their posts after the government was formed last month.

"We do not have the human resources and the political conditions to form a government," Diab said in a televised news conference. "We do not have the means to administer this government," he added.

Diab's comments came a day after the government was announced. The new cabinet, which is due to be formed on Wednesday, is expected to include a mix of politicians and technocrats, including a mix of Sunni, Shia and Christian representatives.

"We need time to review all the factors that led to the failure of the previous government," Diab said.

On Saturday demonstrators in Lebanon's capital Beirut and other cities called for new elections and the formation of a new government to address the country's economic crisis.

"We are not satisfied with the new government," said a protester in Beirut. "We want real change and an end to corruption and tenemos."
US Senate passes Biden's $1.9trn Covid relief bill

by Peter Walljasper and Ben Sales

WASHINGTON

Marketers are on a cut-throat course with health service (NHS) staff as the country could not afford a no deal for棺木 can be worked into health workers, some esr "massive losses" hindered the pressure for pro-trike actions.

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The Covid-19 pandemic has triggered the deepest economic recession in nearly a century, threatening health, disrupting economic activity,[s] and worsening inequality across the globe. The global economy shrank by 4.4% in 2020, according to the International Monetary Fund (IMF). These adverse shocks have come out with extraordinary policies to tackle the repercussions of the Covid-19 pandemic and achieve a comprehensive recovery.

In this regard, Qatar under the wise leadership of His Highness the Amir, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, adopted an economic diversification policy, stimulating the participation and role of the private sector, developing national industries and exports, and attracting investment in non-energy sectors.

At a recent lecture of the Jaafar bin Jasim Joint Command and Staff College, HE the Minister of Commerce and Industry Ali bin Ahmed Al-Kuwari said the total volume of investments in the industrial sector in 2020 amounted to approximately QR2.1bn. He noted the ministerial point that the industrial sector had witnessed remarkable growth in conjunction with the progress made in the projects of developing the UMM Al-Ain industrial zone. The total number of factories in Qatar in 2020 stood at 927, registering a 5% increase compared to 2019.

Profitable policies measures help Qatar reduce Covid impact on local economy

Qatar is well-positioned and expected to be one of the few countries globally to deliver a surplus of 1.4% of GDP in 2021. Qatar has worked to ease the flow of commodities and companies’ plants by strengthening its co-operation with countries and trade partner, providing renewable energy to various industrial sectors as well as adopting a series of economic measures and incentives.

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Regarding the measures taken to confront the repercussions of the pandemic, Al-Kuwari noted Qatar had succeeded, in light of the current exceptional circumstances, in dealing with the consequences of the crisis and taking effective and efficient measures that have contributed to reducing its negative impact on the social and economic sectors.

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Khan wins bigger slice of confidence

Pakistani PM secures 176 votes in 340-seat National Assembly against 176 in 2018, accuses boycotting of “buying” Senate seat last time

AP

Pakistani Prime Minister Imran Khan told his party he had secured a majority in Parliament for the first time after winning the vote of confidence in the National Assembly on Sunday, in a bid to end months of political uncertainty.

The result was in line with expectations, with the government winning a decisive mandate in the 340-seat House, where it enjoyed a 176-seat majority.

Khan, who has been in power since 2018, has been struggling to secure a majority in Parliament, with opposition parties refusing to vote for the government's policies.

The win comes after a fiery campaign vowing to clean the country of corruption, and Khan's success in securing a vote of confidence is seen as a key victory for his administration.

Khan, who became the PM in 2018 after a surprise victory in an election that took his party to power, has been struggling to stay in power, with opposition parties boycotting Parliament, and the Supreme Court recently rulings that the government is not in compliance with the law.

Still, Khan has been able to secure a vote of confidence in Parliament, which is seen as a major win for his government.

The result is a victory for Khan, who has been under pressure to prove his government's stability and credibility.

In a statement, Khan said the win was a “great day” for the country and praised his party's lawmakers for their support.

“I am very happy today,” Khan said, according to a statement.

“I want to thank all my colleagues in the National Assembly who have voted for Pakistan. This is a great victory for us.”

Khan took to Twitter to express his joy, saying: “The victory is a testament to the strength of the Pakistani people and their determination to build a better future for our children.”

Khan's party, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI), has been in power since 2018 and has been under pressure to prove its stability and credibility in Parliament.

Khan's party has been proactive and successful in winning votes of confidence, and this win is seen as a significant victory for the government.

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DHFC, QNTC partner for digital raffle draw

Running until April 8, Doha Festival City kicks off ‘Spend and Win’ offer in partnership with Qatar National Tourism Council

Doha Festival City (DHFC) has announced the kick-off of its “one-of-a-kind” raffle draw offer campaign, ‘Spend & Win’, in partnership with the Qatar National Tourism Council (QNTC) and sponsored by Universal Motors – Lotus.

Bringing its first-ever digital raffle draw to Doha residents, Doha Festival City is continuing its ‘warming Homewares Festival’, aimed at getting back to the community with an amazing social media giveaway. DHFC said in a press statement: “It said: “to continue until April 8, the raffle draw will offer all customers, shopping from the mall’s myriad of retailers, the chance to win one of 22 prizes of different value, including the Grand Prize – a Lotus Elise worth QR12,000.”

Other attractive prizes on offer include a QR30,000 voucher from different stores, a QR10,000 value voucher from Frederique Constant, a QR8,000 value voucher from Montblanc, a QR5,000 value voucher from Tiffany, a QR3,000 value voucher from Porsche, a QR2,000 value voucher from Jaguar Land Rover, a QR1,000 value voucher from Bottega Veneta, a QR1,000 value voucher from All Saints, a QR1,000 value voucher from Hawes & Curtis, and a QR1,000 value voucher from Boss.

Doha Festival City customers who wish to participate in the digital raffle draw will need to stamp their receipt once they have purchased any item from any of the participating stores, or purchase any item online on the same day. Participating customers who wish to participate in the raffle draw will need to stamp their receipt once they have purchased any item from any of the participating stores, or purchase any item online on the same day.

His Highness Sheikh Moza crowned the winners of the Longines Global Champions Tour event on Wednesday, and from 10am-10pm, Saturday to Wednesday, shopping from the mall’s myriad of retailers, the chance to win one of 22 prizes of different value, including the Grand Prize – a Lotus Elise worth QR12,000.

The DHFC opening hours are from 10am-10pm, Saturday to Wednesday, and from 10am-10pm, Thursday to Friday.

For the first time in Qatar, the raffle draw will be held online and in 100% digital, with no human interaction required. Doha Festival City’s social media page will be the platform for managing the offer. The event’s opening hours will be from 10am-10pm, Saturday to Wednesday, and from 10am-10pm, Thursday to Friday.

Women’s Day, fashion, technology and more meet on DHFC virtual channels

As part of its International Women’s Day campaign, Doha Festival City will be launching a new virtual channel dedicated to women, women-inSTEM, and an archive personal computer (PC) assembly competition that will be covered in three episodes on the mall’s social media channels and its YouTube channel.

Under the umbrella of Festival City’s virtual Return to School initiative, the PC assembly competition is part of the mall’s commitment to supporting tech literacy and development in Qatar by encouraging tech lovers to showcase their skills, while empowereing the tech community and encouraging technical thinking, according to a press statement.

Casting taking part in the PC assembly contest will have to demonstrate their skills and quick-thinking abilities to assemble all computer components correctly and come up with a functioning PC as the end goal.

Each episode will shed light on the apprentices’ skills, where judges will rule through a series of participants’ results.

A winner will be announced at the end of every episode, awarded a prize package including a smartphone, and other tech-related products from Doha Festival City and FNAC.

To celebrate International Women’s Day, the mall will install green-screen magic mirrors around the mall and change its exterior lighting to purple on March 8. An interactive butterfly-wings display will be installed outside the mall to demonstrate the special moment of Doha Festival City.

A women-only photography competition will also be held in partnership with Utcocine. Participants will have the chance to take pictures with the women-only on Utcocine Instagram account, with the most engaging story and comments to win a prize package.

The winners will be announced live on Doha Festival City Instagram Stories, and will receive three behind-the-scenes tickets to the festival’s ‘Shine’ event.

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