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# SUN MEDIA NEWSLETTER

Welcome to Sun Media Singapore weekly e-newsletter! Your go-to source for the latest news and insights on key markets that include Central Asia, Southeast Asia, and South Asia. In this edition, we'll be taking a closer look at the latest bilateral developments in Singapore, Indonesia, Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Uzbekistan, and India with a focus on the economy, and business. So whether you're a business professional, investor, or just interested in keeping up with the latest news from these dynamic regions, this newsletter is for you. Let's dive straight in!

## KEY NEWS



### PROMOTING SINGAPORE AS A HALAL HUB

Sun Media has signed an MoU with the Ever Rich Group to collaborate on organising a series of events that promote several sectors of the halal market. The Singapore-based media company together with Ever Rich Aim to establish the Singapore International Halal Hub Conferences and Exhibitions in the MICE sector to connect Singapore to the Halal World.

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### WOMEN DIPLOMATS IN SINGAPORE IWD 2023 MESSAGES...

They are part of an elite group of foreign women diplomats who represent the interests of their countries. IN Diplomacy received the following responses to our call for them to share their thoughts on three questions we feel are relevant to ask on the subject of women empowerment. We are compiling the answers for a special April edition of IN Diplomacy issue.

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## SINGAPORE



### NEW UN CONVENTION ON MARINE DIVERSITY (OUTSIDE STATE JURISDICTION) SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED

On March 4, 2023, the Intergovernmental Conference on Marine Biodiversity of Areas Beyond National Jurisdiction (BBNJ) presided over by Ms Rena Lee, Singapore's Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the MFA, concluded talks on a new international agreement under the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea. Countries agreed to contribute 50% of their annual financial contributions to fund capacity-building projects.

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## SINGAPORE



### **MORE HELP FOR SG COMPANIES TO ACHIEVE GREEN ECONOMY**

The Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) and Enterprise Singapore (EnterpriseSG) will provide more assistance to companies and workers as part of the efforts to decarbonize Singapore's industry and businesses.

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## INDONESIA



### **SENIOR MINISTER TEO CHEE HEAN VISIT TO JAKARTA**

Singapore's Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security, Mr Teo Chee Hean, was in Jakarta from 28th February 28 to 2nd March 2023

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## MALAYSIA



### **DATO' DR AZFAR MOHAMAD MUSTAFAR: MALAYSIA & MALAYSIA & SINGAPORE EXPLORE NEW AREAS OF GROWTH**

Malaysia's High Commissioner to Singapore H.E. Dato' Dr Azfar Mohamad Mustafar takes the measure of investment opportunities, digital and green economy, tourism, education, healthcare and people-to-people connectivity as the building blocks for stronger ties between the two nations. Interview by IN Diplomacy publisher and editor-in-chief Ms Nomita Dhar.

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### **RMN ADMIRAL TOUCHES BASE WITH SINGAPORE DEFENCE OFFICIALS**

The Head of the Royal Malaysian Navy, Admiral (ADM) Datuk Abdul Rahman bin Ayob, paid an introductory visit to Singapore in March.

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## SAUDI ARABIA



### **5TH UN CONFERENCE ON LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES IN DOHA**

Singapore's Senior Minister of State (SMS) for Foreign Affairs and National Development, Ms Sim Ann, attended the 5th UN conference on the least developed countries in Doha.

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## UZBEKISTAN



### **SG-BASED CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION COMPANY INKS MOU WITH UZBEK MINISTRY OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

Accubits' mistEO, a leading Singapore-based company in climate change mitigation solutions and financing tools has announced the signing of a MoU with the Research Institute for Environment and Nature Conservation Technologies, Ministry of Natural Resources, Republic of Uzbekistan.

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## INDIA



### **HOW TO ENTER INDIA'S DIGITAL MARKET?**

The GIA Mumbai Acceleration Program, an initiative of enterprisesg and powered by Startup Réseau, shows how Singapore-based companies can enter India's rapidly expanding digital markets, such as supply chain, artificial intelligence, and finance.

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