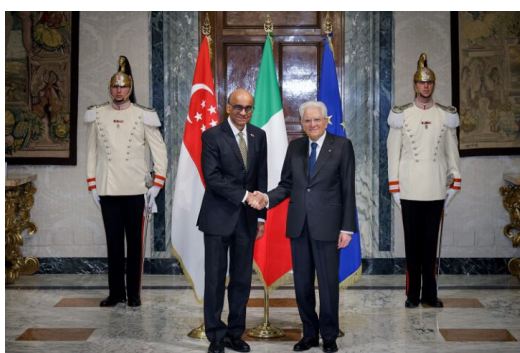




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Welcome to Sun Media Singapore weekly e-newsletter! Your go-to source for the latest news and insights on key markets that include Central Asia, Southeast Asia, and South Asia. In this edition, we'll be taking a closer look at the latest bilateral developments in Singapore, India, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, and Malaysia 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!

SINGAPORE



President Tharman Shanmugaratnam's Official Visit to Italy

President Tharman Shanmugaratnam of Singapore visited Italy to strengthen ties and discuss cooperation on various fronts, including arts, culture, and geopolitical issues. The visit included meetings with Italian leaders and explored ways to enhance bilateral relationships.

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Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan's Remarks at Book Launch

During the launch of "Perspectives of Two Island Nations: Singapore and New Zealand," Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan discussed the strategic partnership between Singapore and New Zealand. He highlighted the significant historical and geographic ties, including military cooperation and trade relationships such as the CPTPP and DEPA.

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DPM Heng Swee Keat at the 90th Board Installation of the Rotary Club of Singapore

Deputy Prime Minister Heng Swee Keat praised the Rotary Club of Singapore for its contributions to societal well-being at its 90th Board Installation. He emphasized the importance of civic engagement and collaboration with the government in supporting vulnerable groups and fostering a more inclusive society.

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Professor Gertjan Medema Receives Lee Kuan Yew Water Prize 2024

Professor Gertjan Medema was awarded the Lee Kuan Yew Water Prize 2024 for his pioneering work in wastewater-based epidemiology, which played a crucial role in virus detection during the COVID-19 pandemic. This method has significantly impacted public health monitoring globally.

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Farewell and Welcome Reception Honors Distinguished Diplomats in Singapore

A reception at Shangri-La Singapore celebrated the contributions of distinguished diplomats and welcomed new ambassadors to the city-state. The event highlighted the career achievements of various ambassadors and introduced incoming diplomats, fostering a sense of continuity and cooperation within the diplomatic community.

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ASEAN



ASEAN International Fashion Week Spring Summer 2024 Showcases Global Fashion Innovation

The ASEAN International Fashion Week held at the ArtScience Museum featured over 48 international designers and emphasized sustainability and cultural diversity. The event highlighted ASEAN's vibrant fashion scene and its impact on global fashion trends.

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MONGOLIA



Mongolian Ambassador and Singaporean Speaker of Parliament Discuss Bilateral Relations

Ambassador Sosorbaram Enkhbayar of Mongolia met with Mr. Seah Kian Peng, Speaker of the Singapore Parliament, to discuss strengthening inter-parliamentary relations and celebrating the 55th anniversary of diplomatic ties between the two countries.

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THAILAND



Official Visit by Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan to Thailand

Dr. Vivian Balakrishnan visited Thailand to discuss enhancing bilateral relations and cooperation in areas such as carbon credits and the digital economy. The visit included meetings with Thai leaders to explore new areas of collaboration and strengthen existing ties.

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