

Baghdad, Tehran Keen On Broadening Media Cooperation



Al-Alam and IRIB Networks' accompanying delegation.

TEHRAN (IP) - The chief of Al-Alam Al-Iraqi Network announced the formation of a joint committee between this network and the IRIB of the Islamic Republic of Iran in order to develop mutual cooperation.

Nabil Jassem Mohammad, the chief of Al-Alam Al-Iraqi Network and the accompanying delegation paid a visit to Iran Press News Agency on Monday evening in the IRIB World Service.

Nabil Jassem Mohammad, on the sidelines of the visit, in an exclusive interview with the Iran Press news agency, referring to the signing of a memorandum

of understanding between Al-Alam Al-Iraqi Network (the official Iraqi state network) and the IRIB, expressed hope that this cooperation would pave the ground for increasing contacts between the two sides.

Nabil Jassem Mohammad stated that this cooperation would be in the field of exchange and publication of news stories and various artistic, cultural, drama, and cinematic programs.

In the end, the Iraqi official underlined that the memorandum of understanding that was signed was another step in the exchange of news between Baghdad and Tehran.

Tehran University Inaugurates Technology Management Center



Inauguration of the Advanced Clinical Skills Training Center in the University of Tehran with the presence of the Vice President of Science and Technology.

TEHRAN (IFP) -- The University of Tehran, in collaboration with a leading Iranian telecommunication company, has rolled out a highly specialized center for technology management and commercialization, further promoting knowledge-based companies.

The inauguration ceremony of the Technology and Commercialization Management Center was held at the management faculty of Tehran University on Monday.

Dr. Mohammad Moqimi, President of the University of Tehran was one of the keynote speakers of the ceremony.

He described the inauguration of the technology management and commercialization center as a step forward aimed at "bridging industry and university."

"Strengthening the bonds between industry and university is an important issue, topping the agenda of the University of Tehran... The inauguration of the Technology Management and Commercialization Center is in line with boosting the knowledge-based products..." he underscored.

The Leader of the Islamic Revolution Ayatollah Seyyed Ali

Khamenei has already dubbed the current Iranian calendar year 1401 (starting on March 21) "Production: Knowledge-Based and Job-Creating". This is part of a national campaign placing further emphasis on the adoption of a scientific and technological approach to boosting economic resilience and sustainability in Iran.

Meanwhile, Dr. Taher Roshandel Arbatani, Dean of the School of Management of the University of Tehran, highlighted the commercialization of knowledge as "a highly important segment in the value chain of any knowledge-based product".

"The effective communication between management and industry can help many Iranian businesses thrive and prosper," he noted.

The Technology and Commercialization Management Center will be built in a 25,000 square meter area at the Faculty of Management of Tehran University.

The center funded by HiWeb Company, will be equipped with state-of-the-art facilities including an 800-seat conference room, training halls, a sports salon, and a swimming pool.

Highly Praised 'Echo' Crowned Best in Spain

TEHRAN (IFILM) -- Iranian short animation 'Echo' has been awarded at the Ecozine Film Festival in Spain.

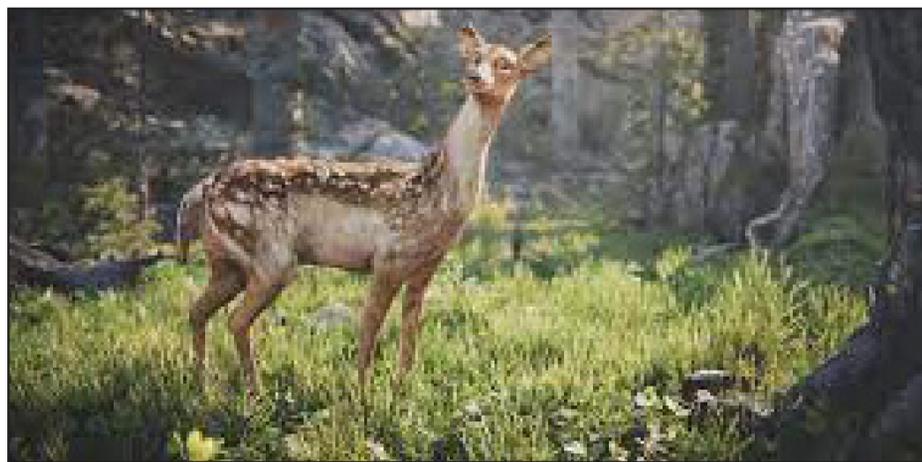
Directed by Barzan Rostami, the animated piece grabbed the Best Short Animation award at the 15th edition of the event.

The 7-minute animation is about understanding and perception of wildlife and environmental abuse, as well as its consequences on the human race.

The animation has been shown at a number of global events, including the R.E.D International Film Festival in Norway, the Snake Alley Festival of Film in the US, and the International Tour Film Festival in Italy.

The film won the award for Best Short Film at the Southern Cone International Film Festival in Mexico. The 13th Smaragdni eco film festival in Croatia also honored the flick with its best animation award.

The Ecozine is an international event dedicated to movies on the environment.



A still from Iranian short animation 'Echo'.

The event has five categories in its Official Competitive Section, with five prizes of the jury in the following categories: Best National Feature Film, Best International Feature Film, Best Documentary Short Film, Best Short Film Animation, and Best Short Fiction.

Joint Production 'District Terminal' On Way to Zurich Event

TEHRAN (IFILM) -- The Iranian Film Festival of Zurich (IFFZ) in Switzerland has been scheduled to screen 'District Terminal'.

The movie, co-directed by Bardia Yadegari and Ehsan Mirhosseini, is a co-production from Iran and Germany.

'District Terminal' is about a drug-addicted poet named Peyman who lives with his mother in a Tehran neighborhood during the pandemic and attempts to finish a poem about his city that falls prey to pollution and the lethal virus.

The cast list of the film includes Yadegari, Maryam Moradi, and Ali Kamali.

'District Terminal' has already taken part in global events such as the Hong Kong International



A still from the Iranian Film 'District Terminal'.

Film Festival, the Berlin International Film Festival (Berlinale) in Germany, and the Gesellschaft zur Wahrnehmung von Film- und Fernsehrechten in Germany,

where it won a special jury mention.

The IFFZ is "a platform for presenting the Iranian culture and tradition and for building a bridge

between different cultures by the means of the universal language of art – and especially the 7th art, cinema", the website of the event reads.

The 8th edition of the IFFZ will kick off on May 26 and run until June 1.

This edition of the IFFZ is also scheduled to screen 'Water, Wind, Dust, Bread' by Mehdi Zamanpour-Kiasari, 'World Northern Hemisphere' by Hossein Tehrani, 'Without Everything' by Mohsen Qaraee, 'Bone Marrow' by Hamid-Reza Qorbani, 'Ti Ti' by Ida Panahandeh, 'No Choice' by Reza Dormishian, 'Yadoo' by Mehdi Jafari, 'Barter' by Ziba Karamali and Emad Arad, as well as 'The Cow' by Dariush Mehrjooe.

Global Warming May Impact Human Sleep

COPENHAGEN (Dispatches) -- Increasing ambient temperatures negatively impact human sleep around the globe, according to a new research.

Scientists from the University of Copenhagen found that by the year 2099, suboptimal temperatures may erode 50 to 58 hours of sleep per person per year. Also, they discovered that the temperature effect on sleep loss is substantially larger for residents from lower income countries as well as in older adults and females.

Researchers used anonymized global sleep data collected from accelerometer-based sleep-tracking wristbands. The data included 7 million nightly sleep records from more than 47,000 adults across 68 countries spanning all continents except for Antarctica. Measures from the type of wristbands used in this study had previously been shown to align with independent measures of wakefulness and sleep.

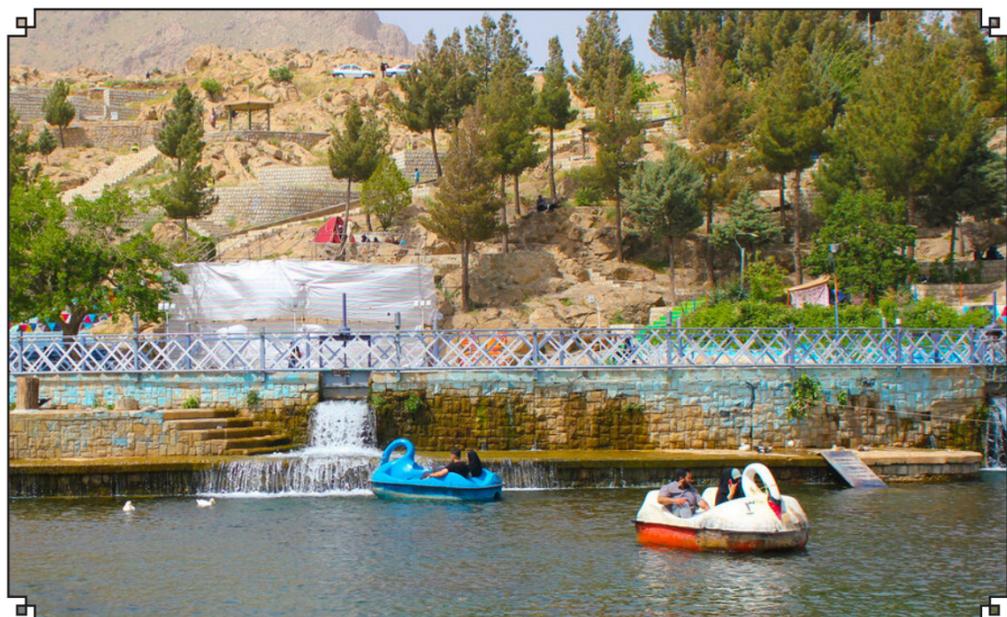
The team realized that on very warm nights (greater than 30 degrees Celsius, or 86 degrees Fahrenheit), sleep declines an average of just over 14 minutes.

The likelihood of getting less than seven hours of sleep also increases as temperatures rise.

The investigators found that under normal living routines, people appear far better at adapting to colder outside temperatures than hotter conditions.



Picture of the Day



Ravansar city is one of the most attractive areas of Kermanshah, which is called 'The Jewel of Uramanat'. Sarab Ravansar is one of the sights of Ravansar, located in the center of the city.

Courtesy of Mehr News Agency