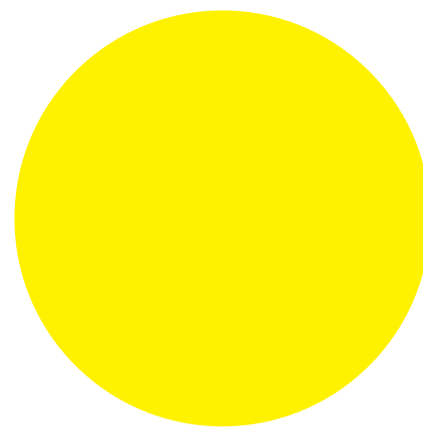




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39 percent growth in Iran's tourism industry in 2022



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Foreign patients prefer to receive treatment in Iran than in Europe: **Raeisi**



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Iranian President Ebrahim Raeisi has lauded the Islamic Republic's achievements in the health sector, saying that health tourism in the country has attracted patients from neighboring countries and even Central Asian states who prefer to get medical care in Iran rather than in Europe.

Raeisi made the remarks on Friday as he inaugurated Ghadir Major Hospital in the north of the Iranian capital of Tehran, Press TV reported. He highlighted Iran's status as a hub for health tourism in West Asia, saying that patients from regional countries and even Central Asian states choose to come to the country over Europe for treatment. [Page 2 >](#)

Iran signed \$40b worth of deals in two years: **Minister**

Economy Desk

Iranian oil minister told an international energy meeting that the country has signed some \$40 billion worth of oil and gas contracts with domestic and foreign companies over the past two years.

Javad Owji added that Iran has plans to invest some \$250 billion in its massive oil and gas sector until 2031, according to Press TV.

Iran is ready to attract investors in upstream, downstream, and associated petroleum gas (APG) collection projects, he stated.

The minister made the remarks on Wednesday as he was addressing the 8th International Seminar of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in Vienna, Austria.

Owji said Iran's plans to maintain and expand its petroleum facilities have remained unaffected by US sanctions that bar the country's access to foreign investment and technology.

"Today, Iran carries out expansion and repair in its oil and gas refineries without the presence of foreign experts," he said.

Analysts say that US sanctions against Iran, which have been in place since early 2018, have failed to dent the country's ability to expand its massive petroleum industry. [Page 6 >](#)

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Fireworks explode next to Milad Tower on July 6, 2023, on the eve of Eid al-Ghadir which marks the day when Imam Ali (عليه السلام), the first Imam of the Shia, was appointed as the successor to Prophet Muhammad (صلى الله عليه وآله وسلم).

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