



IAEA chief eyeing 'real results' in talks with Pezeshkian



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New opportunity for nuclear diplomacy



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former nuclear negotiation team, now assumes the role of foreign minister. Following Pezeshkian's victory, Grossi expressed his desire to visit Iran and engage in discussions with the new president, a request readily approved by Pezeshkian. Grossi reiterated this wish yesterday, telling reporters, "I encourage Iran to facilitate such a meeting in the not-too-distant future so that we can establish a constructive dialogue that leads swiftly to real results." While Grossi repeated his previous claims about Iran's nuclear activities, he expressed optimism that his meeting with the Iranian president would herald a new chapter of mutual cooperation. Iran, on the other hand, has consistently critiqued the director-general's reports for their political undertones overshadowing the technical facets. Nonetheless, the political shift in Iran, with a reformist government espousing dialogue to resolve disputes, presents a fresh opportunity for the IAEA and Western parties to the nuclear deal, namely the US and the E3 (Germany, France, and the UK), to embrace positive change.

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Iran highlights opportunity to revive JCPOA

Iran's Foreign Ministry spokesman Nasser Kanaani said there is an opportunity to revive the 2015 Iran nuclear agreement if the parties to the landmark deal adhere to their commitments. Kanaani said that Tehran has never distanced itself from the negotiating table and sees the negotiations as a diplomatic solution to realize its interests.