

Tehran, Moscow chart three-year tourism roadmap

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Iran and Russia signed a three-year tourism cooperation roadmap for 2026-2028 in Moscow, aiming to remove long-standing barriers to travel, facilitate payments, improve air connectivity and revive a joint tourism committee, Iranian and Russian officials said at the Sixth Russian Tourism Forum held at Moscow's VDNKh exhibition complex. The agreement was signed by Hojjatollah Ayoubi, senior advisor to Iran's tourism minister and head of the Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts' Center for International Affairs and Diplomacy,

and Dmitry Vakhrukov, Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation, IRNA reported. Ayoubi said the roadmap was designed to "remove obstacles to implementing previous agreements" and open "a new chapter" in bilateral tourism cooperation. He said both countries possess vast tourism potential and expressed confidence that stronger institutional cooperation could unlock a higher level of visitor exchanges. Vakhrukov described the document as the latest operational plan guiding tourism relations over the next three years. "We

have addressed how to make access easier for Russian tourists traveling to Iran and Iranian tourists traveling to Russia," he said, citing payment systems, visa issues and flight connectivity as key priorities. The two sides also emphasized the importance of fully implementing bilateral monetary arrangements and enabling travelers to use bank cards linked to Iran's interbank information exchange network (Shetab) network and Russia's Mir payment system. Speaking at the forum, which brought together delegates from 32 countries, Ayoubi unveiled Iran's new national tourism

and cultural branding initiative, 'Iran; The Beginning of Every Story.' The project highlights a series of thematic tourism routes designed to showcase the country's civilizational heritage, including journeys focused on spirituality, music, literature, calligraphy and historical centers of learning. "We believe that wherever civilization, culture, art and dialogue among nations are discussed, traces of Iran's millennia-old heritage can be found," Ayoubi said, adding that Iran was developing new cultural and heritage itineraries to attract international visitors.



Senior Adviser to Iran's Tourism Minister and head of the Ministry of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts' Center for International Affairs and Diplomacy Hojjatollah Ayoubi (R) and Deputy Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation Dmitry Vakhrukov hold a three-year tourism cooperation roadmap for 2026-2028 in Moscow, Russia, June 11, 2026. ● CHTN

Iran expands tourism diplomacy with Greece, China, Nigeria at UN meeting in Spain

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Iran used a United Nations Tourism Executive Council session in Toledo to expand its international tourism diplomacy, holding bilateral talks with Greece, China and Nigeria aimed at boosting cultural exchange, investment and joint promotion.

Tourism Minister Reza Salehi-Amiri met Greek Tourism Minister Olga Kefalogianni, with both sides agreeing to prepare a joint cooperation package covering tourism development, education, investment and cultural heritage. Tehran also proposed launching a "philosophical tourism" initiative designed to connect scholars and intellectuals from Iran and Greece, drawing on what officials described as the two countries' ancient civilizational traditions. "Iran and Greece are among the world's oldest and most influential civilizations," Salehi-Amiri said, describing tourism diplomacy as a natural extension of long-standing cultural ties. In a separate meeting with China's Vice Minister of Tourism Gao Zheng, both sides called for tourism relations to better reflect the strategic depth of broader bilateral ties. The discussions focused on a joint action plan, expanded promotional activity and closer cooperation between travel agencies and private-sector operators. Chinese officials said in-



Iran's Minister of Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Minister Reza Salehi-Amiri attends the United Nations Tourism Executive Council session in Toledo, Spain, joining international delegates to discuss global tourism policies and cooperation. ● IRNA

terest in Iranian culture was rising in China and welcomed deeper engagement as the two countries mark 55 years of diplomatic relations. Salehi-Amiri also met Nigeria's Minister of Art, Culture, Tourism and Creative Economy Hannatu Musa Musawa, where the two sides agreed to expand cultural exchanges and strengthen cooperation between tourism sectors. Plans were discussed for joint exhibitions, tourism exchanges and greater involvement of private-sector operators in both countries. Iranian officials described Africa as a strategic priority in foreign policy, with Nigeria identified as a key partner in West Africa. Musawa, according to Iranian statements, praised Iran's civilizational heritage and expressed support for broader cultural and tourism engagement. Separately, the minister said Iran's participation in the Toledo meeting also aimed to present

its position on regional developments, adding that several delegations expressed solidarity following his remarks at the session. Iran also used the meetings to promote its tourism development strategy focused on coastal regions in the south of the country, including Makran, Hormozgan, Bushehr, Khuzestan and the Persian Gulf islands. Salehi-Amiri highlighted plans to strengthen maritime and coastal tourism, including heritage sites such as the ancient port of Siraf, which is being prepared for UNESCO World Heritage consideration. He said China's outbound tourism market, estimated at more than 160 million travelers annually, represented a significant opportunity for Iran, adding that Tehran aims to secure a greater share of international arrivals through targeted cooperation and joint promotion campaigns.

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02	LONG SIZE: 22000 FT OD. 1.5 IN., W.T.O.109 IN.	4 RL

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