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## Note from Editor:



CEP E-Bulletin is an online monthly Bulletin which is being used as an instrument of environmental dialogue amongst the Caspian Sea stakeholders. It acts as a window for all the stakeholders to express their views, share news and communicate with others. We welcome and in fact request you to use the CEP E-Bulletin to communicate with others on issues of interest as long as they relate to the extent of the Caspian Sea .

The CEP E-Bulletin is consists of three sections:

- 1. **Since We Last Met**, which includes CEP related events and information during the past 30 days.
- 2. **Upcomings**, which provides brief information about the future events in next 30 days.
- 3. **General News**, which presents a variety of interesting news and events on the subject of Caspian environment.

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## Since We Last Met

- Experts Meeting on Algal Bloom in the southern Caspian, 7th March 2007, Tehran
- Regional Workshop on Ballast Water, 12-13th March 2007, Baku
- Workshop on application of insect sex pheromones in rice Paddies, 5 March, Rasht
- 19th IOC Committee on Oceanographic Data & information, 12-16 March, Italy

## Upcomings

- First Conference of Parties of the Tehran Convention, May 23-25 2007, Baku
- EC Tender for the Procurement of Laboratory Equipment

## General News

- Sturgeon near Extinction
- Farmed Caviar is a Less Expensive, eco-Friendly Alternative to Severely Depleted (and Banned) Beluga
- Great taste could save fish
- Black gold
- Caspian seals are threatened again by mass destruction
- Ramsar Designated Ecotourism Zone
- NASA MODIS Image of the Ice in the Northern Caspian Sea
- Iran Opens First Eco-Tourism Park
- Eco-Tourism

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2005	
2006	→ Transmerio
2007	Iran-Armen
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Calendar of Events	

- → Russia's Upper House OKs Kazakh Caspian Sea Oil Pact
- Petrobras to Invest \$470M in Iran's Caspian Sea
  - Transmeridian to Consider Buyout Offers
  - Iran-Armenia pipeline to start work Monday
     Russia for collective use of Caspian resources by littoral states
- -> Turkmen, Azerbaijani to Boost Ties
- → U.S., Azerbaijan Sign Energy Sector Deal