

# WORLD AGENDA

JUNE 2012

**2** Jun 8-Jul 1, **Kiev:** Human rights in Ukraine fall under the international spotlight when the country co-hosts, with Poland, **Euro 2012**. Outrage is growing over the former Soviet republic's growing reputation for sex tourism, as well as at the jailing of opposition politician **Yulia Tymoshenko**

**1** Jun 17, **Athens:** The European single currency hangs in the balance as Greece votes in a national election that may result in its exit from the Eurozone. A departure could trigger "contagion" with others – particularly Spain and Italy – following suit



**3** Jun 20-22, **Rio de Janeiro:** The UN's **Earth Summit**, also known as **Rio+20**, returns to the Brazilian city 20 years after the initial conference was held there. The green economy in the context of poverty eradication and sustainable development are key themes



**4** Jun 18, **London:** Burmese pro-democracy leader **Aung San Suu Kyi** visits Britain, where she will address both houses of parliament, in her first trip to Europe in 24 years. The Nobel peace prize winner will also visit Norway and Ireland



**5** Jun 28, **Ulan Bator:** Mongolia's former president **Nambaryn Enkhbayar**, freed on bail over corruption charges, is emerging as the most popular figure in parliamentary elections. The economy of the resource-rich former Soviet satellite is set to grow at record rates over the next decade

**7** Jun 15, **U.S./Canada:** High-wire performer **Nik Wallenda** is set to walk across Niagara Falls on a 5cm-wide cable. It is the first such feat across the 550-metre gorge in more than a century



**6** Jun 19, **Tripoli:** Libya holds its first democratic elections in 60 years – and the first since the death last October of **Colonel Gaddafi**, who ruled for 42 years. The vote will be for a 200-member assembly



**8** Jun 3, **London:** A seven-mile, 1,000-ship flotilla sails down the River Thames to celebrate **Queen Elizabeth II's** Diamond Jubilee. Britain has been given a four-day holiday in honour of the monarch's 60 years on the throne

