

# WORLD AGENDA

MAY 2017



**G7 2017**  
ITALIA

**1 May 7, France:** Centrist **Emmanuel Macron** faces far-right leader **Marine Le Pen** in the run-off for the French presidency. For the first time in six decades neither of France's main left-or right-leaning parties have a candidate in the second round

**2 May 26-27, Italy:** At least one newcomer to the G7 summit in Sicily, U.S. President **Donald Trump**, disdains traditional G7 aspirations on principle, while another, British Prime Minister **Theresa May**, might come seeking help to ease Brexit woes

**4 May 14-15, China:** At least 20 world leaders are expected to attend a summit in Beijing on President **Xi Jinping's One Belt, One Road** scheme to build a new Silk Road

**5 May 9, South Korea:** Voters elect a successor to **Park Geun-Hye** – whose role in a corruption scandal saw her become the first democratically elected president to be ousted from office

**6 May 20, UK:** The marriage of **Pippa Middleton**, sister of **Kate**, Duchess of Cambridge, to millionaire financier **James Matthews** ranks as the society wedding of the year

**8 May 27, U.S.:** The Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco opened 80 years ago. The massive steel suspension bridge is one of America's best known tourist attractions

**3 May 19, Iran:** Iranians vote in presidential elections with moderate incumbent **Hassan Rouhani** facing a strong challenge from hardline cleric **Ebrahim Raisi**. Six candidates have been cleared to run by the powerful **Guardian Council**

**7 May 17-28, France:** Visitors are promised a "celebration in passionate red and sparkling gold" for the 70th anniversary **Cannes Film Festival**. Spanish director **Pedro Almodóvar** presides over the festival jury that will choose the winner of the prestigious **Palme d'Or**

