

WORLD AGENDA

SEPTEMBER 2017



2 Sep 3-5, China: The leaders of the five **BRICS** countries – Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa – meet in Xiamen

“to amplify their voice on global issues and restructure the world economic order”

4 Sep 25, Iraq: A vote on the question of an independent Kurdistan is due to be held in regions including three claimed by Baghdad, as well as in the fiercely-disputed city of Kirkuk

5 Sep 29, Estonia: EU leaders meet in Tallinn to work on the integration of the **Digital Single Market (DSM)** into the bloc's economy

7 Sep 18, Spain: A court hearing will begin determining whether tarot card reader **Pilar Abel** is the daughter of the late **Salvador Dalí** and the heir to a significant portion of the artist's estate

8 Sep 6-11, Colombia: **Pope Francis** visits Bogota, Medellin and Cartagena to try to shore up the still-fragile peace deal that ended half a century of conflict in the country

1 Sep 24, Germany: Chancellor **Angela Merkel** looks likely to emulate her mentor, the late **Helmut Kohl**, by winning a fourth term in office. The leader of the Christian Democrats has seen her ratings boosted by steady economic growth, low unemployment and, crucially, the slowing influx of migrants

3 Sep 12-13, U.S.: Apple is expected to celebrate the tenth anniversary of its iconic iPhone by revealing the iPhone 8

6 Sep 12-20, India: Visiting Japanese Prime Minister **Shinzo Abe** and Prime Minister **Narendra Modi** will lay the foundation stone for India's first high speed rail line

