



WORLD AGENDA

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1 Apr 2, U.S.: Global markets brace for further instability if President **Donald Trump** follows through on his threats to impose “reciprocal” tariffs on U.S. trading partners or, reverses or delays the decision



2 Apr 28, Canada: New Prime Minister **Mark Carney** (above) faces Conservative leader **Pierre Poilievre** (right), in a snap election amid a trade war with the U.S.



4 Apr 19, U.S.: The nation celebrates the 250th anniversary of the start of the **American Revolutionary War**, with the battles of Concord and Lexington. A year later the **Declaration of Independence** was signed

3 Apr 13, Ecuador: Hard-right incumbent President **Daniel Noboa** and left-wing challenger **Luisa González** to runoff in a presidential election seen as an assessment of Noboa’s iron fist approach to tackling gang violence



5 Apr 18, Italy: Venice is to double its tax on day-trippers and last-minute visitors to €10 as the city deals with overtourism. The new pilot system – to run until May 4 – will then continue every weekend until the end of July

6 April, Nepal: As the climbing season begins on **Mount Everest**, drones will be used for the first time to carry supplies up and rubbish down to try to reduce waste left on the mountain



7 Apr 13, Japan: **Expo 2025** begins with the theme of “Designing Future Society for Our Lives”. It takes place on Yumeshima “Dream Island”, an artificial landmass in Osaka Bay

8 Apr 12, Gabon: Military leader **Brice Oligui Nguema** (right) stands in a presidential election meant to transfer power to civilians. Critics argue that the new constitution and electoral code favour his bid after he seized power in a 2023 coup

