

WORLD AGENDA

AUGUST 2025

1 Aug 1, U.S.: President *Donald Trump* to impose severe tariffs on imports from many global trading partners unless they cut retaliatory taxes. This policy covers a range of goods from pharmaceuticals to copper and technology components



2 Late Aug, Iran: The U.S. and its allies set a deadline for Tehran to agree a comprehensive nuclear deal or risk renewed UN sanctions



4 Aug 17, Bolivia: Voters elect President, Vice President and members of the legislative chambers. Infighting within the ruling **Movement for Socialism (MAS)** party has overshadowed the vote



5 Aug 3-4, West Philippine Sea: India and Philippines conduct their first-ever bilateral naval exercise near the Scarborough Shoal, a maritime flashpoint contested by Manila and Beijing



6 Aug 27, Italy: The **Venice International Film Festival** opens with German filmmaker **Werner Herzog** and American actress **Kim Novak** receiving Lifetime Achievement awards



8 Aug 22, England: **Women's Rugby World Cup** kicks off with current holders New Zealand bidding for a 6th title

3 Aug 14, Japan: The Allies mark the 80th anniversary of **VJ Day** when Japan surrendered after the U.S. dropped two atomic bombs on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki



7 Aug 31, U.S.: Royal Caribbean's **Star of the Seas** is set for its maiden voyage from Port Canaveral, Florida, and will be the world's largest cruise ship, alongside its sister vessel, **Icon of the Seas**

