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To Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_

Dear subscriber, we are pleased to present to you the September issue of IRAMONIT. As a valuable resource worth adding to your personal library, our new report, which includes the comprehensive analyses of the developments in Iran as well as the notable developments at the regional and international level, has been prepared on the basis of both primary and Iran-based resources, just like our previous issues.

Our 14th issue enriched with infographics and a monthly chronology of the developments regarding Iran contains seven articles and a comprehensive special file. The titles of the articles are as follows: **“Iran’s Foreign Policy Highlights in September, A New Era in Iran’s Foreign Policy: Era of Principled Negotiation, Iran-Taliban Relations and Iran’s Approach to the Afghanistan Crisis, The Afghanistan Effect and Iran’s Export of Narrative: Potentials and Limitations, Iran’s Public Diplomacy in Afghanistan During the Pre-Taliban Era (2001-2021), Afghanistan’s Natural Resource Wealth and Geopolitical Power Struggle, and Raisi’s Economic Team: The Future of the Iranian Economy”**.

This month’s special file examines **“The Strategic Importance of Jask Port”**. The Jask port, which is located in the east of the Strait of Hormuz in the Oman Sea, represents a great significance for Iran with its geopolitical and geoeconomic location in terms of economy-military and energy security. Due to the strategic position of the port, the Tehran administration is trying to develop the port and turn it into one of its energy and commercial hubs through several infrastructure projects. This study tries to examine the strategic, economic, and military importance of the Jask port, its potential role for China’s String of Pearls strategy, the possible outcomes of the investments in the Jask port, the port’s significance for the energy security of Iran and China, and the worries of Iran and other regional countries towards the issue. The findings of the study include completion of the Goreh-Jask oil pipeline project for the development of the relevant port, China’s plans to invest in the Jask port in the scope of its 25-Year Cooperation Agreement with Iran, and the possibility of China establishing its second overseas military base in Jask to ensure its energy security.

I hope that this month’s report will be useful for you and your institution. I wish you a month filled with good health, peace, and success, and hope to see you in our next issue.



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President of IRAM

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## SPECIAL FILE



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