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5 January 2026 (London, UK): Welcome to the Global Overview 2026 by Alpha1Strategy, a showcase of some of the forthcoming milestone events in 2026, as launched in the fourth year till the United Nations Agenda 2030, during the G20 Presidency of the USA in 2026 during its 250th Anniversary year, and during the Decade of Globalising the Overview Effect. (Asterisks * indicate milestone events)

2026:

276 - The 1750th Anniversary of Roman Emperor Tacitus doubling the silver content of the aurelianus, a type of silver-plated copper coin. *(EU)*

626 - The 1400th Anniversary of the Siege of Constantinople, present-day Istanbul in 626, by the Sassanian Persian Empire against Byzantines, under Emperor Heraclius, which fails. *(Turkey, Iran, EU, Global)*

1126 - The 900th anniversary of Adelard of Bath, an English philosopher, translating Muhammad ibn Musa Khwarizmi's arithmetic and astronomical works into Latin in 1126, codifying the various Indian numerals, thereby introducing the decimal-based positional number system to the Western world. *(OIC, EU, Global)*

1126 - The 900th solar anniversary of the birth in 1126 of Ibn Rushd, also known as Averroes, the Andalusian polymath and jurist who was known in the Western world as "The Commentator" and "Father of Rationalism". *(OIC, EU, Global)*

1276 - The 750th Anniversary of Merton College, Oxford in 1276, being first recorded as having a collection of books, making its Library the world's oldest in continuous daily use. *(UK, Global)*

1726 - The 300th Anniversary of the printing of the 'Complete Classics Collection of Ancient China', an immense Chinese encyclopaedia, in 1726 using copper-based moveable type printing. *(China)*

1726 - The 300th Anniversary of Muhammad bin Saud, the emir of Diriyah in present day Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and considered the founder of the First Saudi State, becoming the head of the House of Saud in 1726. *(Saudi Arabia)*

1776 - The 250th Anniversary of the first commercial Watt steam engine being sold in 1776 in the UK, becoming the driving force of the Industrial Revolution. *(Global, UK)*

2026 - US satellite company owned by Elon Musk, Starlink, set to gradually 4,400 of its satellites in 2026 that are currently orbiting at 550 kilometres above the Earth will be brought down to 480 kilometres due to space safety concerns such as collisions. *(USA, Global, Space)*

January 2026:

* **January 1** - Bulgaria will adopt the Euro and become the 21st member state of the Eurozone. *(EU)*

* **January 1** - Cyprus will begin its role as President of the Council of the European Union. *(EU)*

* **January 1** – Ugandan-born American politician Zohran Mamdani commences his tenure as the 112th Mayor of New York City, as its first Millennial, Muslim, Asian-American and Borough of Queens Mayor, and the first to be sworn in on the Holy Quran. *(USA, Global)*

For further reference, please read ‘American Future X’ by Talal Malik, Alpha1Strategy Founder, November 22, 2016

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/american-future-x_b_58340205e4b0eaa5f14d4a3a

* **January 1** - The 150th Anniversary of the Bass Brewery Red Triangle becoming the world’s first registered trademark symbol on January 1, 1876, in the United Kingdom. *(UK, Global)*

* **January 1** - The 20th Anniversary of the launch of global real estate company, Alpha1Estates, by its Founder, Talal Malik, on January 1, 2006, becoming the first company to market real estate in Saudi Arabia globally. On January 1, 2026, Saudi Arabia allows foreigners to own real estate property in the Kingdom. *(Saudi Arabia, UK, Global)*

For further reference, please visit Alpha1Estates

<https://www.alpha1estates.com/>

* **January 3** - The USA, under President Donald J. Trump, launches large scale air strikes on Venezuela, and captures Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro and his wife, Cilia Flores, and brings them to the US, (having been in power for 13 years, as approved by his predecessor Hugo Chavez, who also faced capture in a coup in April 2002) with President Trump stating the US will run Venezuela during this transition. The operation took place on the 36th Anniversary of the capture and transport of de facto head of state of Panama, General Manuel Noriega, on January 3, 1989. *(Venezuela, USA, Global)*

* **January 3** - The UK and France bomb a suspected underground arms cache previously used by Daesh/Fahish (also referred to as ‘ISIS’) group in Syria. *(Syria, UK, EU, Global)*

January 4 - Weight loss pharmaceutical Ozempic's (semaglutide) core patent expires in major markets like Canada on January 4, 2026, with patent expiry in March in India and later in 2026 for China and Brazil, opening the doors for generics, but with regulatory challenges expected. *(Global)*

January 8 - The 100th Anniversary of Ibn Saud, later King Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia, being crowned ruler of the Kingdom of Hijaz on January 8, 1926. *(Saudi Arabia)*

* **January 10** - The 80th Anniversary of the first meeting of the United Nations being held, at Methodist Central Hall Westminster in London on January 10, 1946. *(UN, UK)*

* **January 11** - The 1400th solar anniversary of the birth of Imam Hussain ibn Ali in 626, second grandson of Prophet Muhammad, in Madinah, Arabia, and ancestor of the Sayyid/Syed aristocracy. *(OIC, Saudi Arabia)*

January 12 - The 20th Anniversary of a crowd crush during the Hajj in Mina, Saudi Arabia, in 2006, which kills at 363 pilgrims. *(Saudi Arabia, OIC, Global)*

* **January 15** - The 25th Anniversary of Wikipedia, which is today the world's largest encyclopaedia, being launched on January 15, 2001. *(Global)*

* **January 15-16** - Commemoration of the Night Journey and Ascension of Prophet Muhammad on Rajab 27, with some official holidays. *(OIC)*

* **January 17** - The 80th Anniversary of the United Nations Security Council holding its first session, at Church House, Westminster in London on January 17, 1946. *(UN, UK)*

January 19 - The 20th Anniversary of NASA launching the New Horizons probe in January 2006, the first mission specifically to study Pluto. *(USA, Global, Space)*

* **January 19-23** - The World Economic Forum (WEF) is set to be held in Davos, Switzerland between January 19-23, 2026. *(EU, Global)*

January 20 - The 40th Anniversary of the United Kingdom and France announcing plans to construct the Channel Tunnel on January 20, 1986. *(UK, EU)*

January 20 - The 90th Anniversary of the accession of King Edward VIII to the throne of the UK. *(UK)*

January 21 - The 700th Anniversary of the foundation of Oriel College (or King's College), the University of Oxford's fifth oldest (still surviving) college on January 21, 1326, confirmed by royal charter. *(UK, Global)*

January 21 - The 50th Anniversary of the supersonic Concorde airliner in 1976 beginning its first commercial passenger flights from London and Paris on January 21. *(UK, France, Global)*

* **January 22** - The United States is set to officially leave the World Health Organization (WHO). *(USA, UN, Global)*

January 26 - The 100th Anniversary of Scottish inventor John Logie Baird on January 26, 1926, demonstrating a mechanical television system at his London laboratory for members of the Royal Institution and a reporter from The Times of London. *(UK, Global)*

January 27 - The 50th Anniversary of the USA in 1976 vetoing a United Nations resolution that calls for an independent Palestinian state. *(Holy Land)*

January 28 - Sarah Mullally will become primate of the Church of England and the first woman leader of the Anglican church. *(UK)*

January 28 - The 40th Anniversary of the Space Shuttle *Challenger* disintegrating shortly after liftoff on January 28, killing all seven astronauts on board, including Christa McAuliffe, who was to be the first teacher in space. *(USA, Global, Space)*

February 2026:

February 1 - The 80th Anniversary of Trygve Lie of Norway being selected as the first United Nations Secretary-General on February 1, 1946. *(UN)*

February 6-22 - The Winter Olympics are set to be held between February 6-22 in Milan and Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy. *(EU, Global)*

* **February 3** - The 40th Anniversary of Pixar being founded by John Lasseter along with Apple co-founder Steve Jobs on February 3, 1986. *(USA, Global, IP)*

February 6 - The 25th Anniversary of Ariel Sharon, political opposition leader in the Holy Land Conflict, being elected the prime minister of the Tel Aviv seat of government, on February 6, 2001. *(Holy Land)*

February 12 - The 25th Anniversary of the Human Genome Project publishing the first draft of its human genome sequence on February 12, 2001, in Washington DC, USA. *(USA, Global)*

February 13 - The 50th Anniversary of the assassination of Nigeria's fourth head of state, General Murtala Mohammed in a military coup. *(Nigeria, OIC)*

* **February 18 - March 19** - The Islamic holy month of fasting, Ramadan, takes place from Ramadan 1-29/30. *(OIC)*

February 19 - The 40th Anniversary of the United States Senate approving a treaty outlawing genocide on February 19, 1986. *(USA, Global)*

February 20 - The 40th Anniversary of the Soviet Union launching the space station, Mir, in 1986. *(Russia, Global, Space)*

February 22 - The 20th Anniversary of the bombing of al-Askari mosque in Samarra, Iraq, on February 22, 2006, escalating sectarian violence into a full civil war in Iraq. (*Iraq, USA, Global*)

February 23 - The 60th Anniversary of the 1966 Syrian coup d'état, where on February 23, an intra-party military coup in Syria replaces the previous government of Amin al-Hafiz by one led by Salah Jadid. (*Syria*)

March 2026:

March - The 500th Anniversary of the first complete printed translation of the New Testament of the Bible into the English language by William Tyndale arriving in England from Germany in March 1526. (*UK, EU, Vatican, Global*)

March - The 150th Anniversary of thousands of Plains Indians in the United States travelling to an encampment of the Sioux chief Sitting Bull in the region of the Little Bighorn River in March 1876, creating the last great gathering of native peoples on the Great Plains. (*USA*)

March 1 - The 60th Anniversary of the British Government announcing plans for the decimalisation of the pound sterling (hitherto denominated in 20 shillings and 240 pence to the £), on March 1, 1966, which comes into force on February 15, 1971 (Decimal Day). (*UK*)

March 1 - The 60th Anniversary of Soviet space probe Venera 3 crashing on Venus on March 1, 1966, becoming the first spacecraft to land on another planet's surface. (*Global, Space*)

March 1 - The 60th Anniversary of the Baath Party taking power in Syria on March 1, 1966. (*Syria*)

March 1 – The 10th Anniversary of Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik's first official interview in Arabic about the governance and future of Egypt to the government-owned '[AL-Akhbar Al-Youm](https://www.dar.akhbarelyom.com/issuse/detailze.asp?mag=akhbarelyom&field=news&id=203020)' on the fifth anniversary of the Egyptian Revolution of 2011.
<https://www.dar.akhbarelyom.com/issuse/detailze.asp?mag=akhbarelyom&field=news&id=203020>

March 2 - The 25th Anniversary of the Taliban government of Afghanistan destroying the Buddhas of Bamiyan, having declared that they are idols, in contrast to previous governments following the arrival of Islam in the country in the 7th century. (*OIC, Afghanistan, Global*)

March 10 -The 150th Anniversary of Scottish born inventor Alexander Graham Bell on March 10, 1876, making the first successful telephone call, saying "Mr. Watson, come here, I want to see you". (*UK, Global*)

March 11 - The 60th Anniversary of President Sukarno of Indonesia giving all executive powers to General Suharto on March 11, 1966, signing the Supersemar order as part of the Transition to the New Order in Indonesia. (*Indonesia*)

March 16 - The 100th Anniversary of American physicist Robert Goddard launching the world's first liquid-fuelled rocket in Massachusetts, USA on March 16, 1926, considered a major step toward space exploration. *(USA, Global, Space)*

* **March 19-23** - The end of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan marked by the Eid al-Fitr Holiday period as observed officially in some countries. *(OIC)*

March 22 - The 80th Anniversary of the United Kingdom granting the British protectorate of the Emirate of Transjordan (later known as Jordan) its independence by the Treaty of London on March 22, 1946. *(UK, Jordan, OIC)*

March 23 - The 70th Anniversary of Pakistan becoming the first Islamic republic on March 23, 1956, with a national holiday observed in the country. *(Pakistan, OIC)*

* **March 25-27** - The Future Investment Initiative (FII) Priority Summit takes place in Miami, USA on March 25-27. *(USA, Saudi Arabia, Global)*

* **March 26** - The 10th Anniversary of Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik's opinion-editorial article '[Harnessing Disruption](#)' about the contemporary and future impact of technology in our world:

Huffington Post, USA (English)

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/harnessing-disruption_b_9462478

LinkedIn, USA (Mandarin Chinese)

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/驾驭中断-talal-malik-1/>

Al-Iqtisadi, Dubai, UAE (Arabic)

<https://manhom.com/aliqtisadi/746479-طلال-ملك-يكتب-تسخير-الزعزعة/>

March 28 - The 250th Anniversary of the Bolshoi Ballet, the world-renowned ballet group, being founded in Moscow, Russia on March 28, 1776. *(Russia)*

March 31 - The 25th Anniversary of former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milošević being arrested on March 31, 2001, and charged with war crimes. *(EU, OIC, Global)*

April 2026:

* **April 1** - The 50th Anniversary of Apple Computer Company being formed by Steve Jobs and Steve Wozniak in California, USA, on April 1, 1976. *(USA, Global, IP)*

April 1 - The 25th Anniversary of Netherlands in 2001 legalising government-approved marriage between homosexuals in 1996, becoming the first country in the world to do so. *(EU, Global)*

April 10 - The 40th Anniversary of Halley's Comet on April 10, 1986, making its closest approach to Earth for the first time since 1910. *(Global, Space)*

April 15 - The 90th Anniversary of the 1936-1939 Arab revolt in Mandate Palestine against British administration starting on April 15, 1936, with stoked opposition to Jewish-based immigration. *(Holy Land, UK)*

April 17 - The 80th Anniversary of Syria's independence from France being officially recognised on April 17, 1946. *(Syria, France)*

* **April 18** - The 80th Anniversary of the League of Nations, in its last meeting on April 18, 1946, transferring its mission to the United Nations and disbanding itself. *(UN, Global)*

April 21 - The 100th Anniversary of the birth of Queen Elizabeth II of the UK, who reigns for over 80 years as Britain's longest reigning monarch till her death in 2022. *(UK)*

April 24 - The 30th Anniversary of the Palestine Liberation Organization, at the urging of its leader Yasser Arafat, on April 24, 1996, dropping its clause in the Palestinian National Covenant calling for the removal of the Tel Aviv-led government's state in the Holy Land Conflict, with the Tel Aviv-led government responding by dropping a similar clause concerning the existence of Palestine. *(Holy Land)*

* **April 25** - The 10th Anniversary of the launch of Saudi Arabia's socio-economic roadmap, Vision 2030, on April 25, 2016, which has had a global socio-economic impact. *(Saudi Arabia, Global)*

April 25 - The 100th Anniversary of Iranian general Reza Khan being crowned Shah of Iran on April 25, 1926, under the name "Pahlavi". *(Iran)*

April 26 - The 40th Anniversary of the fourth reactor at the Chernobyl nuclear power plant in the Soviet Union exploding on April 26, 1986, resulting in the worst nuclear disaster in human history and releasing radioactive material across Europe. *(Russia, EU, Global)*

April 28 - The 25th Anniversary of American citizen Dennis Tito becoming the first space tourist in April 2001, traveling to the International Space Station. *(Global, Space)*

May 2026:

* **May** - The 1500th Anniversary of the 526 Antioch earthquake, which kills approximately 250,000 people in Syria and Antioch. *(Holy Land, Turkey)*

* **May 1** - The 250th Anniversary of German philosopher Adam Weishaupt founding secret society, the Illuminati in Ingolstadt, Bavaria, Germany on May 1, 1776. *(EU, Global)*

* **May 7** - The 80th Anniversary of the founding of Sony, then named Tokyo Telecommunications Engineering, on May 7, 1946, with about 20 employees. *(Japan, Global, IP)*

* **May 12-23** - The 79th edition of the Festival de Cannes film festival being held in Cannes, France. *(France, EU)*

* **May 15** - US Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell's tenure ends on May 15, with director of the National Economic Council Kevin Hassett a forerunner as successor. *(USA, Global)*

* **May 18** - The 30th Anniversary of the X Prize Foundation launching the USD \$10 million Ansari X Prize. *(USA, Global, Space)*

May 21-24 - The controversial inaugural Enhanced Games will be held in Las Vegas, USA, in which athletes are permitted to use performance-enhancing substances under medical supervision. *(USA, Global)*

May 23 - The 100th Anniversary of the first Lebanese constitution being established on May 23, 1926. *(Lebanon)*

* **May 25 - June 1** - The Islamic pilgrimage of Hajj on 8-12 Dhu al-Hijjah takes place as, as does Day of Arafat on May 26 / 9 Dhu Al-Hijjah with the holidays for Eid al-Adha from 13-15 Dhu al-Hijjah. *(OIC, Global)*

May 30 - The 30th Anniversary of the Likud Party, led by Benjamin Netanyahu, winning a narrow victory in the general election for the Tel Aviv-led state government in the Holy Land Conflict on May 30, 1996. *(Holy Land)*

June 2026:

* **June** - The 72nd edition of the Bilderberg Meeting to take place. *(EU, Global)*

* **June** - The 96th Annual General Meeting of the Bank of International Settlements is set to take place in Basel, Switzerland. *(EU, Global)*

June 8 - The 10th Anniversary of Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik's first global interview to the 'Financial Times' on Saudi Arabia's historic tax proposals on June 8, 2016.
<https://www.ft.com/content/a0198402-2d46-11e6-a18d-a96ab29e3c95>

* **June 11-July 19** - The 2026 FIFA World Cup is scheduled to be held between June 11 and July 19, 2025, in Canada, Mexico, and the United States. *(Canada, Mexico, USA, Global)*

***June 14-16** - The G7 Summit in 2026 is set to be hosted by France in Évian-les-Bains from June 14-16, 2026. *(France, Global)*

June 15 - The 400th Anniversary of King Charles I of England dissolving the English Parliament on June 15, 1626. *(UK)*

***June 15-16** - The commemoration of the Islamic New Year 1448 on Muharram 1. *(OIC, Global)*

June 16 - The 50th Anniversary of the Soweto Uprising in South Africa in 1976, where thousands of Black students protested against the enforced use of Afrikaans in schools on June 16th, with subsequent clashes with police resulting in hundreds of deaths and injuries, escalating the anti-Apartheid struggle. *(South Africa, Global)*

June 22 - The 40th Anniversary of one of the most famous FIFA World Cup matches, when iconic Argentinian football player Diego Maradona on June 22, 1986, scored one handball

goal (nicknamed the “Hand of God”) and then dribbled past the entire English football team to score a second goal (nicknamed “The Goal of the Century”) with Argentina winning 2-1 against England. (*Argentina, UK, Global*)

* **June 23** - The 10th Anniversary of the 2016 United Kingdom European Union membership referendum, commonly referred to as the EU referendum or the Brexit referendum, in which the British electorate voted to leave as member of the European Union, triggering calls to begin the process of the country’s withdrawal from the EU commonly termed “Brexit”, which finally took place on 23:00 GMT on January 31, 2020. (*UK, EU, Global*)

For further reference, on its 10th Anniversary, please read ‘The British-EU Revival imperative’ by Talal Malik, Alpha1Strategy Founder, June 29, 2016

The Huffington Post, USA (English):

https://www.huffpost.com/entry/the-britisheu-revival-imp_b_10714902

al-Arabiya, Dubai, UAE (English):

<https://english.alarabiya.net/views/news/middle-east/2016/06/29/The-British-EU-revival-imperative->

Medium, USA (English)

<https://medium.com/@TalalMalikA1/the-british-eu-revival-imperative-9d92106f1c81>

LinkedIn, USA (Mandarin Chinese)

<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/英国与欧盟的复兴势在必行-talal-malik/?trk=mp-reader-card>

al-Iqtisadi, UAE (Arabic)

<https://manhom.com/aliqtisadi/800222-طلال-ملك-بريطانيا-والاتحاد-الاروبي/>

* **June 24-25** - The commemoration of the Islamic date of Ashura on Muharram 10, with some official holidays. (OIC)

June 26 - The 50th Anniversary of the CN Tower being opened on June 26, 1976, in Toronto, Canada, the tallest free-standing land structure open to the public. (*Canada, Global*)

June 27 - The 50th Anniversary of the G-6 being renamed “Group of 7” (G-7) with the inclusion of Canada on June 27, 1976. (*Global*)

June 29 - The 40th Anniversary of Argentina defeating West Germany 3-2 on June 29, 1986, to win the 1986 World Cup in Estadio Azteca in Mexico City, Mexico. (*Argentina, Germany, Mexico, Global*)

July 2026:

* **July 4** - The 250th Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence of the United Colonies (later United States of America) from the UK on July 4, 1776, to be commemorated as America 250, the Semiquincentennial, the Bisesquicentennial, the Sestercentennial, or the Quarter Millennium) with the US celebrating via a bipartisan initiative, America 250, and the current US Government having Task Force 250. (*USA, Global*)

July 2 - The 50th Anniversary of North and South Vietnam formally reuniting to form the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on July 2, following the end of the Vietnam War the previous year. *(Vietnam, US, Global)*

July 4 - The 200th Anniversary of John Adams (the second U.S. President) and Thomas Jefferson (the third U.S. President) dying within hours of each other. *(USA)*

July 5 - The 80th Anniversary of the bikini first being modelled in Paris, France, on July 5, 1946. *(France, EU)*

July 5 - The 30th Anniversary of Dolly the sheep, the first mammal successfully cloned from an adult cell, being born at the Roslin Institute in Scotland on July 5, 1996. *(UK, Global)*

July 9 - The 100th anniversary of Chinese political party the Kuomintang on July 9, 1926, launching the Northern Expedition to unify China, which it succeeds in doing by 29 December 1928. *(China)*

July 15 - The 20th Anniversary of the public launch of microblogging and social networking platform Twitter on July 15, 2006. *(USA, Global)*

July 15-16 - The 10th Anniversary of the failed military coup attempt against the government of Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan in Turkey in July 2016, leading to a significant government crackdown and purges across the country. *(Turkey)*

* **July 19** - The 2026 FIFA World Cup final match is set to be held on July 19, 2025, in the Americas. *(Global)*

* **July 20** - The 75th Anniversary of King Abdullah I of Jordan being assassinated by a Palestinian while attending Friday prayers in Jerusalem on July 20, 1951, and then being succeeded by his son, King Talal (al-Malik Talal). *(Holy Land, Jordan)*

July 20 - The 50th Anniversary of the US planetary probes Viking 1 lander in 1976 successfully touching down on Mars on July 20 and begin sending back the first close-up colour photographs of the surface. *(US, Global, Space)*

July 22 - The 10th Anniversary of the leaking of the 2016 Democratic National Committee email leak by WikiLeaks in July 2016. *(USA)*

* **July 22** - The 80th Anniversary of Yishuv-allied terrorist group Irgun on July 22, 1946, bombing the King David Hotel, the headquarters of the British civil and military administration, in Jerusalem, Mandate Palestine, killing 90. *(Holy Land, UK)*

* **July 23-August 2** - The 2026 Commonwealth Games are scheduled to be held between July 23 and August 2 in Glasgow, Scotland. *(UK, Global)*

* **July 26** - The 70th Anniversary of Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser nationalising the Suez Canal on July 26, 1956, sparking international condemnation. *(Egypt, Global)*

July 28 - The 50th Anniversary of the Tangshan Earthquake in 1976, as one of the deadliest earthquakes in modern history struck Tangshan, China, on July 28, killing over 240,000 people and injuring many more. *(China, Global)*

July 30 - The 60th Anniversary of England beating West Germany 4-2 to win the 1966 FIFA World Cup at Wembley, UK after extra time. *(UK, Germany, Global)*

August 2026:

August 2 - The closing ceremony of the 2026 Commonwealth Games to be held on August 2 in Glasgow, Scotland. *(UK, Global)*

August 3 - The 80th Anniversary of Santa Claus Land, later Holiday World, opening in Santa Claus, Indiana, USA, as the world's first theme park. *(USA, Global)*

August 5 - The 20th Anniversary of Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik on August 5, 2006, commencing his tenure as a correspondent, producer and multi-area expert adviser at Reuters' Middle East HQ in Cairo, Egypt. *(UK, Egypt, Global)*

August 6 - The 150th Anniversary of the first issue of Arabic language newspaper 'Al-Ahram' being published by Saleem and Beshara Takla in Alexandria, Egypt, on August 6, 1876. *(OIC)*

August 24 - The 20th Anniversary of the International Astronomical Union formally defining the term "planet" in August 2006, which leads to Pluto being reclassified as a dwarf planet after 76 years as the ninth planet in the solar system. *(Global, Space)*

* **August 24-25** - Commemoration of the birth date of Prophet Muhammad on 12 Rabi al-Awwal, with some official holidays. *(OIC)*

September 2026:

* **September 4** - The 30th. *(UK)*

September 7 - The 250th Anniversary of the world's first submarine attack as part of the American Revolutionary War on September 7, 1776, when the American submersible craft Turtle attempted to attach a time bomb to the hull of British Admiral Richard Howe's flagship HMS Eagle, in New York Harbour. *(USA, Global)*

* **September 8-22** - The 81st session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA 81) opens on September 9 in New York, USA, with first day of the high-level General Debate on September 22. *(UN, Global)*

* **September 9** - The 250th Anniversary of the United Colonies in America being officially being renamed the United States on September 9, 1776. *(USA, Global)*

September 9 - The 50th Anniversary in 1976 of the death of Mao Zedong, the Chairman of the Chinese Communist Party, in Beijing, marking a major turning point in Chinese history, with the Cultural Revolution officially concluding a month later with the arrest of the Gang of Four. *(China, Global)*

September 11 - The 25th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks on the US, where, on September 11, 2001, al-Qaeda Irhavis hijacked four planes, crashing two into the World Trade Centre, one into the Pentagon, and one into a field in Pennsylvania, resulting in nearly 3,000 deaths. *(USA, OIC, Global)*

September 20 - The 75th Anniversary of NATO on September 20, 1951, accepting Greece and Turkey as members. *(Global)*

September 24 - The 20th Anniversary of Alpha1Estates in September 24, 2006, being the first global real estate company on the world's now-largest streaming platform YouTube (<https://www.youtube.com/@Alpha1Estates>), with the likes of Jones Lang LeSalle joining on November 6, 2006 (<https://www.youtube.com/@joneslanglasalle>) and ahead of Google's purchase of YouTube by two weeks. *(UK, Saudi Arabia, US, Global)*

September 27 - The 30th Anniversary of the Taliban capturing the capital city of Kabul in Afghanistan in September 1996. *(Afghanistan, OIC, Global)*

September 27 – The 30th Anniversary of the Taliban in Afghanistan capturing the capital city of Kabul on September 27, 1996, after driving out President Burhanuddin Rabbani and executing former leader Mohammad Najibullah. *(OIC, Global)*

October 2026:

* **October** - The 10th edition of the Future Investment Initiative, the flagship conference of the Public Investment Fund, takes place in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. *(Saudi Arabia, OIC)*

October - The 100th Anniversary of the publication of British A. A. Milne's Winnie-the-Pooh, which goes on to become one of the world's most famous IPs. *(UK, Global, IP)*

* **October 4** - The 2026 Brazilian general election are scheduled to be held. *(Brazil)*

October 7 - The 25th Anniversary of the US in 2001 launching the War on Terror in response to the 9/11 attacks, including the invasion of Afghanistan on October 7, 2001, to target al-Qaeda and the Taliban. *(USA, OIC, Global)*

October 9 - The 20th Anniversary of Google purchasing YouTube for \$1.65 billion on October 9, 2006. *(USA, Global)*

October 9 - The 20th Anniversary of North Korea claiming to have conducted its first-ever nuclear test in October 2006, leading to UN sanctions. *(North Korea, UN, Global)*

* **October 12-18** - The 2026 Annual Meetings of the World Bank Group and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) set to take place in Bangkok, Thailand. *(Thailand, Global)*

* **October 16** - The 10th Anniversary of Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik commencing his role on October 16, 2016, as a seconded Senior Adviser based at then [Saudi Arabia's Ministry of Energy, Industry and Minerals \(MEIM\)](#), advising the Chairman's Office on Ministry-wide governance, strategy and strategic communications. *(Saudi Arabia, UK, Global)*

October 19 - The 75th Anniversary of the state of war between the United States and Germany being officially and formally ended on October 19, 1951, by US President Harry Truman. *(USA, Germany, Global)*

* **October 23** - The 80th Anniversary of the United Nations General Assembly convening for the first time, at an auditorium in Flushing, Queens, New York City, USA, on October 23, 1946. *(UN, USA)*

October 24 - The 70th Anniversary of the Protocol of Sèvres, a secret agreement between the Tel Aviv-led government state in the Holy Land Conflict, France and the United Kingdom, being signed on October 24, 1956, allowing the former to invade the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt and occupy the Suez Canal with the support of the other two governments, giving rise to the Suez Crisis. *(Egypt, Holy Land, Global)*

October 29 - The 70th Anniversary of the Suez Crisis with the Tel Aviv-led government state in the Holy Land Conflict on October 29, 1956, invading the Sinai Peninsula and pushing Egyptian forces back toward the Suez Canal. *(Egypt, Holy Land)*

October 29 - The 40th Anniversary of British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher officially opening the M25 Motorway, which encircles Greater London, in a ceremony on the carriageway near Potters Bar, Hertfordshire on October 29, 1986, becoming Europe's second longest orbital road upon completion, and providing the first and only full bypass of London. *(UK, EU)*

November 2026:

* **November** - The inaugural edition of Metropolis is set to take place. *(Global)*

November 2 - The 50th Anniversary of the 1976 US Presidential Election in which Democrat Jimmy Carter narrowly defeated incumbent Gerald Ford to become the first candidate from the Deep South to win the US Presidency since the US Civil War. *(USA, Global)*

* **November 3** - The 2026 United States mid-term elections to be held, during the mid-term of US President Donald J. Trump's 47th tenure. *(USA)*

November 5 - The 30th Anniversary of US President Bill Clinton being re-elected as President in 1996, defeating Bob Dole. *(USA, Global)*

November 8 - (October 28 Old Style) The 300th Anniversary of Jonathan Swift's satirical novel 'Gulliver's Travels' being first published (anonymously) in London on November 8, 1726; it sells out within a week. *(UK, Global, IP)*

* **November 8** – The 10th Anniversary of the election of the 45th (and now 47th) US President Donald J. Trump, beating Democratic candidate former US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in what is considered one of the biggest political upsets in American history. Alpha1Strategy Founder Talal Malik attends the first in-person international public policy and governance speech of US President Donald J. Trump since his second election as US President in Miami, Florida, USA on February 20, 2025. *(USA, Global)*

For further reference, on its 10th Anniversary, please read 'American Future X' by Talal Malik, Alpha1Strategy Founder, November 22, 2016

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November 15 - NASA space probe Voyager 1 will reach 1 light day distance from Earth, 49 years after its launch on September 5, 1977. *(USA, Global, Space)*

November 9-20 - The 2026 United Nations Climate Change Conference , more commonly known as COP31, is to be held in Antalya, Turkey, with Australia as President of Negotiations. *(UN, Global, Turkey, Australia)*

November 18 - The 400th Anniversary of the new St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican being consecrated on November 18, 1626, on the 1,300th anniversary of the previous church in 326. *(EU)*

* **November 23-25** - The inaugural edition of Metropolis is set to take place. *(Global)*

November 25 - The 40th Anniversary of the Iran-Contra affair becoming public in the United States, involving the secret sale of weapons to Iran to fund the Contra rebels in Nicaragua. *(USA, Iran, Global)*

December 2026:

December 11 - The 90th Anniversary of the Edward VIII abdication crisis, with the British Parliament passing His Majesty's Declaration of Abdication Act 1936 on behalf of the U.K., Australia, New Zealand and South Africa on December 11, 1936, with the King performing his last act as sovereign by giving Royal Assent to the Act, and his brother Prince Albert, Duke of York, becoming King, reigning as King George VI, with the former King, now HRH Prince Edward, making a broadcast to the nation explaining his decision to abdicate, and leaving the country for Austria. *(UK)*

December 11 - The 25th Anniversary of China joined the World Trade Organization (WTO) on December 11, 2001. *(China, Global)*

December 13 - The 150th Anniversary of the signing of the New Constitution of the Ottoman Empire on December 13, 1876, ending Tanzimat in the Ottoman Empire. *(Turkey, OIC)*

December 13 - The 30th Anniversary of Ghanaian diplomat Kofi Annan being elected by the United Nations Security Council the next Secretary-General of the United Nations on December 13, 1996. *(UN)*

* **December 14-15** - The 2026 G20 Summit will be the 21st meeting of the Group of Twenty (G20), to be held from December 14-15, 2026, at the Trump National Doral Miami, a property of the host, U.S. President Donald Trump, in Doral, Florida, USA. *(USA, Global)*

December 15 - The 10th Anniversary of the Paris Agreement in December 2016, a global UN accord to reduce carbon emissions, officially came into effect. *(UN, Global)*

December 22 - The 10th Anniversary of the city of Aleppo in Syria being retaken by government forces in December 2016 with Russian support after a brutal four-year battle, marking a major turning point in the Syrian Civil War. *(Syria, Russia, Global)*

December 23 - The 40th Anniversary of the experimental aircraft Rutan Voyager completing the first nonstop, around-the-world flight without refuelling in 1986. *(Global)*

December 26 - In the history of Japan, the 100th Anniversary of the Shōwa period begins on December 26, 1926, due to the death of Emperor Taishō on the day before, with his son Hirohito reigning as Emperor of Japan until 1989. *(Japan)*

December 30 - The 20th Anniversary of former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein being sentenced to death for crimes against humanity and executed by hanging on December 30, 2006. *(Iraq, USA, Global)*