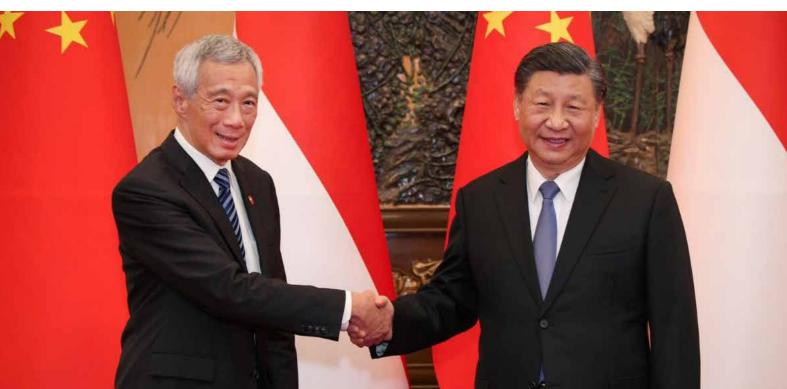






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## **KEY NEWS**



### Ethiopian Airline Re-Opens in Singapore

The largest carrier in Africa, Ethiopian Airline, has restarted direct flights between Singapore and Addis Ababa from 25th March 2023. The four weekly flights will be using the airline's latest fleet of B787 Dreamliners. Many leisure and business travellers to the African continent welcome the news since the service was temporarily halted in 2020 following COVID-19 outbreak.

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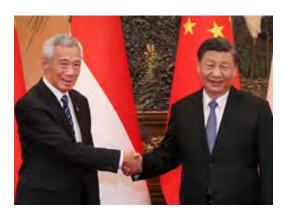
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Singapore's Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong in Talks with Xi Jinping China's Third Time Re-**Elected President** 

Prime Minister Lee's recent visit to China, included meetings with President Xi Jinping and senior government heads to give further impetus to China-Singapore cooperation and collaborations

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## **SINGAPORE**



#### Disney Cruise Line and Singapore Tourism Board Join Hands to Serve Up Magical Cruise Vacations in SE Asia

Singapore strategic location for world-class air connectivity and port infrastructure in Southeast Asia, makes it a great jump-off point for holiday cruises

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### **INDIA**



# G20 DRR Working Group Holds Inaugural Meeting in India to Advance Global Disaster Risk Reduction Agenda

The G20 Disaster Risk Reduction Working Group (DRRWG) held its inaugural meeting in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India, from 30th March to 1st April 2023. The meeting was attended by over 80 delegates and focused on implementing the sendai framework for disaster risk reduction

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# India Hosts 2nd G20 Tourism WG Meeting to Promote Sustainable Tourism and Achieve SDGs

India hosted the 2nd G20 Tourism Working Group (TWG) meeting to promote sustainable tourism and achieve SDGs. The meeting discussed the five priority areas of the tourism working group and held a panel discussion on 'Adventure Tourism as a Vehicle for Achieving SDGs.'

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### SAUDI ARABIA



#### Saudi Arabia Hosts Global Summit of Real Estate Leaders in December

The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia hosted the 42nd edition of the Global Real Estate Summit in December, which will address the Saudi real estate sector's challenges, investment opportunities, and achievements under the Kingdom's vision 2030, and feature workshops and visits to major projects

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#### Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia Hosts Iftar Ceremony for Diplomatic Community

The Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia, HH Prince Faisal Bin Farhan, hosted an iftar ceremony in Riyadh for the heads of diplomatic missions, regional bodies, and international organizations accredited to the Kingdom.

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### **INDONESIA**



### Aercap Signs Lease Agreements for Two Boeing Converted Freighters with PT. Rusky Aero Indonesia

New lease a strategic move to benefit the community, especially the Micro, Small, Medium Enterprises (MSME) industry in Indonesia

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# **MALAYSIA**



### Cross-Border QR Code Payments to Propel Greater Connectivity Between Singapore and Malaysia

Streamlining of cross-border payment linkages between Singapore and Malaysia continues to enhance services of industry players looking to offer efficient transactions for customer comfort

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