

South American Diplomacy: Key Cross-Border Events & Agreements Shaping

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1. Which major trade agreement between the European Union and a South American bloc is set to provisionally apply starting May 1, 2026?

- A) EU-Andean Community Agreement
- B) EU-Mercosur Partnership Agreement**
- C) EU-Pacific Alliance Trade Deal
- D) EU-Southern Common Market Accord

2. In which South American city will the first global summit on transitioning away from fossil fuels take place in April 2026?

- A) Bogotá, Colombia
- B) Santa Marta, Colombia**
- C) Lima, Peru
- D) Santiago, Chile

3. Brazil's 'South American Integration Routes' project aims to connect its western agricultural region to which coast, facilitating trade?

- A) Atlantic Coast
- B) Caribbean Coast
- C) Pacific Coast**
- D) Indian Ocean Coast

4. Which of the following is NOT among the Mercosur member countries involved in the EU-Mercosur Partnership Agreement?

- A) Argentina
- B) Brazil
- C) Paraguay
- D) Ecuador**

5. Colombia is set to host which significant United Nations conference focused on biodiversity in late 2024?

- A) COP16**
- B) COP29
- C) COP17
- D) COP15

6. The 'Shield of the Americas' summit, convened by Donald Trump in March 2026, aimed to foster regional cooperation and counter which external influence?

- A) European Union
- B) Russia
- C) China**
- D) North Korea

7. The XIV European Union-Uruguay Joint Cooperation Commission meeting was held in Montevideo in June 2026 to discuss bilateral, regional, and multilateral relations. Who was Uruguay's Pro Tempore President at this time, facilitating birregional exchanges?

- A) CELAC
- B) MERCOSUR
- C) UNASUR
- D) The Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)**

8. The EU-Mercosur Partnership Agreement, provisionally applying from May 1, 2026, aims to increase bilateral trade and investment, and lower barriers for businesses, notably for which type of enterprises?

- A) Large Multinational Corporations
- B) Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs)**
- C) State-Owned Enterprises
- D) Agricultural Cooperatives

9. Which South American country's presidency of the XXV Forum of Ministers of Environment is focusing on transforming the forum into an engine for measurable results in environmental action, aiming for zero deforestation by 2030?

- A) Brazil
- B) Argentina
- C) Panama**
- D) Chile

10. What is the main objective of the 'South American Integration Routes' project, as highlighted in its 2025 report?

- A) To establish a continental space program
- B) To create a unified South American currency
- C) To incorporate non-bordering states into logistical planning for continental trade and Pacific coast access**
- D) To develop a high-speed rail network across the Andes

11. In January 2026, ambassadors from South American nations reportedly held a diplomatic meeting in which Asian capital to discuss the implications of the capture of Venezuelan leader Nicolás Maduro?

- A) Tokyo
- B) Beijing
- C) New Delhi**
- D) Seoul

12. The CAF Festival, scheduled for January 2026 in Panama, aims to position Latin American and Caribbean culture as an engine for economic, social, and sustainable development. What is a key focus of the festival?

- A) Promoting space exploration
- B) Strengthening the region's creative ecosystem and international visibility**
- C) Developing new digital currencies
- D) Establishing a continental military alliance