

**Celebration of our Independence Day** 



On last July 9, we celebrated together with the Argentine community residing in Malaysia and some special guests our Independence Day. The event took place at the Official Residence and was a great opportunity for our fellow nationals to mingle and make new connections in a relaxed and festive atmosphere in which typical Argentine dishes and wines were served for their indulgence.



### Local students propose Ushuaia in UN simulation exercise



Adapted tennis: Florencia Moreno wins title in Johor Open 2023



Argentine sportswoman María Florencia Moreno participated during July in the two main adapted tennis international competitions scheduled in Malaysia for this year, namely the Malaysia Open 2023 and the Johor Open 2023.

Moreno, currently #16 in the world ranking of the category and an accounting student, had a great performance across the different games and won the title in Doubles, where she teamed up with the Chinese player Huang Jinlian (photo).

Florencia had one of her legs amputated in 2000 after she was accidentally crashed by a truck while riding her bicycle in her hometown in Argentina.

### Argentine artist exhibits at Galeri Prima



Between July 3 and 12, an art exhibition of works by the Argentine artist Eduardo Hoffmann and his local counterpart Awang Damit Ahmad was offered to the public at Galeri Prima in Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur, proudly supported by our Embassy.

The exhibition, entitled "Symbiosis", was the first joint exhibition between Argentine and Malaysian artists of its kind.

Eduardo Hoffmann (b. 1957) is an Argentinian painter born in Mendoza, Argentina, and is considered a great figure of Latin American contemporary art with numerous exhibitions around the world, amongst others in London, New York, Vienna, Paris, Brussels, Sydney, Hong Kong and Venice and also in international contemporary art museums such as the MoCA in Beijing.

In July, we received at the Official Residence the visit of Noridah Binti Ramlan, the Principal of Seri Puteri school (Cyberjaya), and a group of students who are part of the UNESCO Club of the institution and who would later participate in the Model United Nation (UN) "World Heritage" conference that took place at the end of the month in Kazakhstan.

During the event, each delegation was to present a proposal on a new World Heritage Site and, in this framework and after much deliberation, the students of Seri Puteri school chose the Argentine city of Ushuaia to present as candidate at the simulation exercise.

Ushuaia is considered the southernmost city in the world and combines unique landscapes with a rich cultural tradition. It is also the gateway to the Antarctic: the trip from Ushuaia to the Antarctic continent lasts about 48 hours and covers some 1,000 kilometers.

Tourist information on the city can be found here.

#### Argentine coach Solari leads JDT to new FA Cup title



Led by the Argentine coach Esteban Solari and with a goal by our fellow national and striker Leandro Velázquez, JDT Football Club won the FA Cup after beating Kuala Lumpur 2-0 in the final at the Sultan Ibrahim Stadium in Iskandar Puteri, Johor, on last July 22. The club

defended the title they won last year when they beat Kedah 3-1.

"It is a pleasure for me to be a part in this team of this big club, to have this achievement like we had, it was not easy, but in the end my players showed they wanted the trophy", Solari said at the press conference after the game.



Using a special technique where he paints on the back of Mylar, a light and transparent material, which he then puts onto canvas, he creates a unique body of work which offers the spectator an experience of visual vertigo.

# Argentina formalizes adhesion to NASA space cooperation agreements

On July 27, President Alberto Fernández received the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) of the United States, Bill Nelson, to deepen the joint peaceful space activities between the two countries and formalize Argentina's adhesion to the Artemisa Accords on international space cooperation.

Also, an agreement was signed between the NASA and the National Commission for Space Activities (CONAE) of Argentina for the cooperation in civil exploration and the peaceful use of the Moon, Mars and other astronomical objects.

The Argentine Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation Daniel Filmus remarked in a subsequent press conference that "Argentina is one of the few countries in the Southern hemisphere, and the only one in the region, that is in a position to develop its own satellite and space policy".

## Minister of Foreign Affairs opens plenary meeting of the Nuclear Suppliers Group

In the framework of the 2022-2023 Argentine Presidency of the group, Minister of Foreign Affairs Santiago Cafiero inaugurated on July 13 in Buenos Aires the plenary meeting of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG), a platform that gathers 48 nuclear supplier countries and seeks to contribute to the non-proliferation of nuclear weapons.

Argentina joined the NSG in 1994 and previously held the Presidency in 1996, 2014 and 2015, being the only member to have held the Presidency four times.

Our country is internationally recognized for its development in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy applied to the fields of health and medicine, energy production, scientific research, agriculture, industry and education; as well as for his strong commitment to the non-proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.



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