
KYRGYZSTAN'S CHOLPON ATA DECLARED SCO CULTURAL CAPITAL

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Located on the shore of Lake Issyk-Kul, the city of Cholpon Ata was declared the tourism and cultural capital of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) for 2025-2026, Kazinform News Agency reports.

Addressing the 25th meeting of the Council of Heads of State of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization in Tianjin, President of Kyrgyzstan Sadyr Zhaparov revealed plans to hold various events during the countrys SCO chairmanship, including the Issyk Kul Intellectual Forum and the next World Nomad Games.

He outlined Kyrgyzstans SCO chairmanship priorities for 2025-2026. Among the key priorities are ensuring long-term stability, developing economic cooperation potential, fostering multilateral cooperation to create a favorable environment for international rail and road transportation, and digitalization.

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