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ENERGY

Tianwan 7 connects to grid ahead of further testing

World Nuclear News | 2026-10-08

Tianwan unit 7 connected to the grid on 8 October. The VVER-1200 reactor faces staged power increases and performance tests before commercial operation.

NEA directs renewable pricing auctions and grid fixes

National Energy Administration | 2026-10-08

China's energy administration directed provinces to organise 2027 renewable pricing auctions, address grid bottlenecks and remove nontechnical development requirements. These are implementation directions, rather than project awards.

Yunnan prepares southern spot-market transition

NEA Yunnan office | 2026-10-08

Yunnan's regulator reviewed rules, risk controls and technical readiness for the southern regional spot market. Continuous settlement trials continue; formal-operation approval remains unconfirmed.

INFRASTRUCTURE

China's satellite-internet group 27 reaches orbit

CAS Shanghai Institute of Technical Physics | 2026-10-10

China launched satellite-internet group 27 from Hainan on 10 October. The Shanghai Institute of Technical Physics reported successful orbit insertion and normal onboard sun-sensor operation.

Huawei and Qualcomm sign broad patent agreement

Qualcomm | 2026-10-05

Huawei and Qualcomm announced multiyear cross-licensing for 5G, computing, AI and networking, plus Huawei US patent purchases requiring regulatory approvals. Qualcomm rejected claims linking the deal to LogicFold.

INTELLIGENCE

Beijing sets AI and industrial development priorities

Xinhua / authorised government text | 2026-10-09

The Communist Party and State Council issued an opinion expanding AI industrial pilots, computing infrastructure and risk controls, alongside hydrogen and fusion priorities. These remain policy directions.

Audit finds limited public AI safety disclosures

Reuters / Investing.com syndication | 2026-10-09

SemiAnalysis found public safety results for 31 of 857 Chinese model releases reviewed. The audit measures disclosure, rather than private testing, and provides no comparable US tally.

XtalPi introduces automated AI workflow for siRNA

XtalPi | 2026-10-06

XtalPi introduced Kodexia, combining generative AI, biological modelling and automated siRNA experiments. It reported six preclinical programmes; efficiency claims remain internally measured, without established clinical validation.