



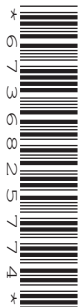
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Card 1

Topic area: Developing world

El Salvador, pionero de bitc in

El pueblo pesquero de El Zonte, en la costa de El Salvador, ha sido el pionero mundial del uso de bitc in. Su actual presidente decidi  que esta criptomoneda conviviera junto al d lar como moneda de curso legal en esta localidad, y ahora quiere extender su uso al resto del pa s.

El Zonte tiene el  nico cajero autom tico de bitc in, que se ha convertido en un atractivo tur stico. Muchos visitantes se hacen *selfies* o se graban v deos utiliz ndolo, aunque algunos critican tener que pagar una comisi n del 10% para cambiar d lares por bitc ins.

Seg n Rom n Naranjo, l der del proyecto *Bitcoin Beach*, "el programa ha sido un  xito porque la gente est  consumiendo con bitc in y esto ayuda a la econom a". Tambi n se muestra esperanzado por el gran n mero de compa  as tecnol gicas interesadas en asentarse en El Salvador y que pueden dar trabajo a j venes de la zona.

Sin embargo, los m s cr ticos con el proyecto *Bitcoin Beach*, que llev  el uso de la criptomoneda a El Zonte, alegan que muchos vecinos todav a se niegan a usarla. Les asusta la volatilidad e inestabilidad del valor de una moneda que no existe f sicamente, y, adem s, la mayor a no tiene tel fonos inteligentes con conexi n a internet para poder usarla.

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Card 2**Topic area: The environment****Una carretera hecha con papel**

La empresa española Carretera y Manta está construyendo una autovía con una tecnología que utiliza papel de desecho en lugar de cemento. De esta forma, convierte la basura en un recurso y se emite menos CO₂ que en la construcción de una carretera convencional, ahorrando unas 18 000 toneladas de cemento.

A primera vista, esta nueva autovía cerca de Valencia es igual que todas las demás, pero bajo su superficie, es muy diferente. Gracias a una tecnología pionera, la empresa utiliza cenizas de papel, es decir, residuos de papel y pasta quemados que ya no se pueden reciclar. Estas cenizas mejoran la durabilidad de la carretera y eliminan el uso del cemento, cuya fabricación representa el 90% de las emisiones mundiales de CO₂ de las industrias.

Además, los beneficios no se limitan a la reducción de la huella de carbono. Al utilizar las cenizas de papel, la empresa está convirtiendo la basura, que probablemente acabaría en el vertedero, en un valioso recurso.

La construcción de esta autovía forma parte de un proyecto de cooperación europeo que tiene como objetivo desarrollar esta tecnología y aplicarla en el futuro a otros sectores, como el de la minería y la industria química, disminuyendo así su impacto medioambiental y sus costes.

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Topic area: Health and fitness**México legaliza el uso recreativo de la marihuana**

La justicia mexicana acaba de autorizar el uso de la marihuana con fines recreativos, aunque esta decisión histórica no ha dejado contentos a todos en el país, puesto que su comercialización no está legalizada. Hasta ahora, México solo permitía el uso medicinal.

Los mexicanos podrán pedir permisos especiales para cultivar marihuana y consumirla de forma privada. La legalización ha sido celebrada por Pepe Cortés, portavoz del Movimiento Cannábico, puesto que “cumple con nuestras demandas de consumo en espacios seguros y sin ánimo de lucro”.

Sin embargo, muchos empresarios ven en México, que es el segundo productor mundial de cannabis, un enorme potencial para crear el mercado de marihuana legal más grande del mundo, si en algún momento se legalizaran el comercio y las exportaciones de esta planta. Se calcula que la industria medicinal y lúdica del cannabis generaría más de 22 000 millones de dólares en cuatro años.

Entre los críticos de esta ley está el propio presidente del país, quien ha señalado que “hay muchos que están pensando en el negocio y que plantean que con esto se van a obtener impuestos. No se puede traficar con la salud del pueblo. Es inmoral”.

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Card 4

Topic area: Patterns of daily life

Cocina solidaria

El chef de origen asturiano José Andrés ha recibido uno de los máximos reconocimientos de su tierra, el Premio Princesa de Asturias de la Concordia, un galardón obtenido por el trabajo de su ONG, *World Central Kitchen*, creada para servir comidas en lugares gravemente afectados por la escasez de alimentos derivada de catástrofes naturales.

El jurado de los Premios Princesa destacó el trabajo y la indudable capacidad de José Andrés y los trabajadores de su ONG para ofrecer una respuesta “rápida y eficaz a situaciones de emergencia alimentaria y social”.

En 2014 José Andrés, afincado en Estados Unidos, fue nombrado Ciudadano Excepcional por el entonces presidente Barack Obama por su lucha contra el hambre y la pobreza. En 2017, la ONG entregó treinta mil comidas a los bomberos que trabajaron para extinguir los incendios de la costa californiana y dio cien mil raciones a los afectados por el huracán Harvey en Houston.

Durante la pandemia de coronavirus Covid 19, José Andrés desarrolló una campaña de ayuda que ya se ha extendido a más de veinte ciudades en todo el mundo. En España, bajo el lema *#ChefsforSpain*, se ha aliado con restaurantes y otras organizaciones para proporcionar hasta cuarenta mil comidas diarias a las personas más necesitadas.

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Card 5**Topic area: Law and order****Revuelta ciudadana en Colombia**

Las últimas protestas sociales en Colombia empezaron con una huelga general para oponerse a la subida de impuestos propuesta por el gobierno. La intención del presidente es recaudar unos 5200 millones de dólares extra para subsidiar a la población más afectada por la crisis. Sin embargo, también pretende subir los impuestos de algunos productos básicos o suministros como el gas o la electricidad.

Varias organizaciones no gubernamentales han denunciado la violencia policial del Escuadrón Móvil Antidisturbios de la Policía Nacional en las protestas que han tenido lugar en Bogotá, Medellín y Cali.

Por otra parte, la policía dice que se enfrenta a ataques vandálicos, pero ya hay vídeos en las redes sociales donde se ven abusos a manifestantes pacíficos, un uso excesivo de la fuerza que han podido comprobar en persona los representantes de la Oficina de la ONU para los Derechos Humanos, que piden a la policía no usar munición real en los disturbios.

El presidente ha realizado una declaración pública para ofrecerse a dialogar con los organizadores de las marchas con la intención de buscar un acuerdo sobre la nueva reforma de impuestos, y así detener los disturbios. Sin embargo, no descarta sacar al ejército a las calles para controlar las manifestaciones.

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Topic area: Equality of opportunity**Igualdad de género en los medios de comunicación argentinos**

El Parlamento argentino acaba de aprobar un proyecto de ley para promover la paridad de género en los medios de comunicación estatales y privados. El objetivo del proyecto es fomentar la igualdad de género desde la perspectiva de la diversidad sexual con el fin de eliminar los estereotipos machistas y patriarcales.

“Los medios de comunicación deberían ser un reflejo de la sociedad y en la cuestión de géneros viven en el pasado”, afirmó Marta Pérez, diputada del partido Frente de Todos. Según ella, lo ideal sería que los medios estuvieran compuestos por un 50% de hombres y un 50% de mujeres, tanto a nivel periodístico como empresarial.

Por su parte, el presidente de la Comisión de Comunicaciones e Informática, Manuel Sánchez, aseguró que no se trata de un proyecto de paridad. La intención es conseguir igualdad de género y para ello se necesitan más mujeres en las mesas directivas de los medios de comunicación. “Las mujeres necesitan tener su propia voz”, afirmó.

Asimismo, el Parlamento también aprobó el viernes por amplia mayoría el proyecto de ley de inclusión laboral de personas transexuales y transgénero, que ahora deberá ser discutido y aprobado en el Senado.

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