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The **Makana 360 Daily Monitor Report** aims to provide timely and insightful updates on the most significant global news and top events, offering a concise overview of key developments that impact businesses, politics, and society. By curating and analyzing major trends, the report enhances awareness, facilitates informed decision-making, and supports strategic planning for our audience.



### Oil hovers near seven-month highs ahead of US-Iran talks

Oil prices held near seven month highs as investors priced in geopolitical risk ahead of Thursday's U.S.-Iran talks in Geneva. Brent rose about 0.6% to \$71.19 a barrel and WTI to \$66.04, supported by fears conflict could disrupt supplies from OPEC's third largest producer. Analysts said a risk premium will persist. U.S. API data showed a big crude stock build, while gasoline and distillates fell. EIA figures were due later.



### Germany wants deeper, fairer economic ties with China, Merz tells Li

German Chancellor Friedrich Merz arrived in Beijing seeking to reset Germany China ties and push for deeper, fairer, and more transparent economic cooperation. China highlighted its huge market and urged engagement despite European worries about dependency, trade imbalances, and tougher competition for German firms. Merz brought a delegation of major companies and the sides signed five limited agreements, far smaller than China's recent deals with other countries.



### Bill Gates 'took responsibility for his actions' over Epstein links

Bill Gates told Gates Foundation staff in a town hall that his past association with Jeffrey Epstein was a "huge mistake" and that he took responsibility for his actions, a foundation spokesperson said. He apologized for involving foundation executives in meetings tied to Epstein and said he neither witnessed nor engaged in wrongdoing. The foundation reiterated Epstein was never employed by it and received no payments. The comments followed renewed scrutiny from released U.S. Justice Department documents.



## Top Global Events

Event

Mentions  
& Engagement

Most Reached  
Media Coverage

UEFA Champions League

10.5M

Alexander Sørloth adds Atlético Madrid's fourth goal and completes his hat-trick on a memorable European night.

Calvin Klein

3.1M

2026 Spring Denim Campaign featuring ambassador Jungkook

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