



In this illustration, Iran's late president Ebrahim Raisi (L) is seen alongside his Chinese counterpart, Xi Jinping.

Recognizing Raisi's stellar contribution to China-Iran friendship

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On May 20, Iranian officials confirmed President Ebrahim Raisi's tragic death in a helicopter crash in the northwestern East Azerbaijan province.

It marks the departure of a polished statesman. Raisi helped guard Tehran against external interference while deepening its pragmatic relations within and beyond the Middle East. In China, he will be remembered as a dependable friend who brought two strategic partners even closer. His contribution to time-tested China-Iran ties merits profound recognition for several reasons.

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