

Key Quotes

The EU urges former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to fully implement the 1st of March agreement. **"The full implementation of the 1 March political agreement is essential to move closer to the EU"**, Štefan Füle said ([ansa.it](http://www.ansa.it), IT, 23/7)

http://www.ansa.it/ansamed/it/notizie/stati/europa/2013/07/23/Macedonia-Fule-Ue-attuare-pieno-accordo-prim-marzo_9063904.html

Vili Einspieler writes that **"Serbia could have overtaken Montenegro towards the EU"** (Spletno Delo, SI, 24/7)

<http://www.delo.si/novice/svet/srbija-bi-lahko-se-prehitela-crno-goro-pri-priblizivanju-eu.html>

Summary

Turkish Cypriot leader in Brussels

Turkish Cypriot leader Dervis Eroğlu travelled on Tuesday to Brussels to visit EU Commission President José Manuel Barroso and EU Enlargement Commissioner Štefan Füle. His agenda was expected to include the issue of the Direct Trade Regulation and the proposal for the opening of the Famagusta port (Phileleftheros, EL, 23/7). Osman Ertuğ, adviser to Dervis Eroğlu will liaise with the Turkish Cypriot side in negotiations on the Cyprus issue. According to Turkish Cypriot press Mr. Ertuğ had a telephone conversation with the interlocutor of the Greek Cypriot side, Ambassador Andrew Mafrogianni (kerdos.gr, EL, 23/7). Earlier hri.org (CY, 22/7) noted that the Turkish daily Today's Zaman had reported that Turkey's deputy Prime Minister had said Cyprus' formal partition may come up as an option in renewed talks to reunify the ethnically divided island if Greek Cypriots don't share newfound gas deposits with Turkish Cypriots. Eroğlu, called on the Greek Cypriots to be aware of the realities and sit on the negotiation table. He blamed the UN and EU for not having adequate determination to solve the problem.

- Phileleftheros, EL, 23/7, http://194.250.231.110/delivery/20130723/mi/item_163794778.pdf
- kerdos.gr, EL, 23/7, <http://www.kerdos.gr/default.aspx?id=1948121&nt=103>
- hri.org, CY, 22/7, <http://www.hri.org/news/cyprus/tcpr/2013/13-07-22.tcpr.html>

Concern over Sarajevo's continued lack of progress

The European Union has called on Bosnia and Herzegovina to align its Constitution with the European Human Rights Convention as *"a matter of priority"* before it holds elections in 2014. EU foreign ministers expressed concern over Sarajevo's continued lack of progress on its path towards the European Union, saying that it is lagging behind its Western Balkan neighbours, who are able to overcome internal division in favour of a European agenda. The EU Council pointed to a *"failure on the part of political leaders,"* and also expressed concern over the possible implications ahead of 2014 elections of the country's failure to comply with a European Human Rights Court ruling in the Sejdić/Finci case, which puts Bosnia and Herzegovina in violation of its international obligations. Compliance with the ruling *"is a key element for a credible application for admission, and is necessary for the association accord to take effect,"* the EU-28 Foreign Ministers wrote. ([ansamed.ansa.it](http://www.ansamed.ansa.it), IT, 22/7). The Council urged the BiH political leaders to agree on the implementation of this ruling as a matter of urgency and, in this context, to re-engage constructively with the European Union, through the EU Special Representative/Head of Delegation. It vowed that the European Union *"remains committed to Bosnia and Herzegovina's EU perspective"* (rttnews.com, UK, 22/7).

- [ansamed.ansa.it](http://www.ansamed.ansa.it), IT, 22/7, http://ansamed.ansa.it/ansamed/en/news/nations/bosniaherzegovina/2013/07/22/Bosnia-EU-calls-country-modify-charter-pre-elections_9058391.html
- rttnews.com, UK, 22/7, http://www.rttnews.com/2154933/bosnia-herzegovina-lagging-behind-in-reforms-eu-foreign-ministers.aspx?type=qn&utm_source=google&utm_campaign=sitemap

Gay Pride in Montenegro

Traditionally conservative Montenegro is to hold its first ever gay pride parade later this week in the coastal town of Budva, organisers said Monday. *"This is a good opportunity to test political will, police capabilities and the LGBT community itself,"* commented Aleksandar Zeković of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) forum Progress. Under EU pressure, the Montenegrin government has adopted a strategy to protect the LGBT community and improve their rights (lefigaro.fr, FR, 22/7).

- lefigaro.fr, FR, 22/7, <http://www.lefigaro.fr/flash-actu/2013/07/22/97001-20130722FILWWW00330-une-premiere-gay-pride-au-montenegro.php>

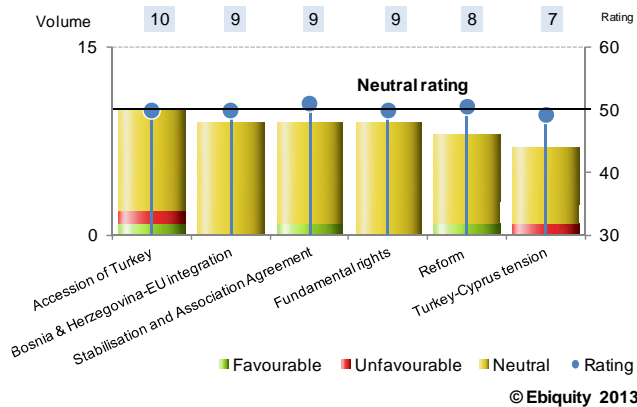
Dialling code for Kosovo

Kosovo could get its own telephone code from January 2015, as one of the results of the dialogue with Belgrade sponsored by the European Union (EU), the Kosovar press reported (ideal.es, ES, 22/7).

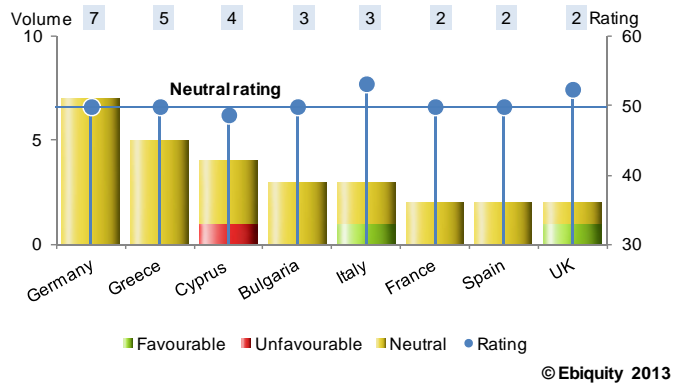
- ideal.es, ES, 22/7, http://www.ideal.es/agencias/20130722/mas-actualidad/internacional/kosovo-obtendra-2015-codigo-telefonico_201307221537.htm

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Štefan Füle (Enlargement Commissioner, EC)	13
Dervis Eroğlu (Turkish Cypriot leader)	7
Jose Manuel Barroso (President, EC)	3
Osman Ertuğ (Adviser to Cypriot leader Dervis Eroğlu)	3
Nikola Gruevski (President, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	2
Evangelos Venizelos (Foreign Minister, Greece)	2
Nikola Poposki (Foreign Minister, former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	2

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