

Key Quotes

France offers help in a conflict resolution on former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia's name. Stressing "**the quality of relations**" between France and Greece, François Hollande said that France is "**ready to seek a solution**" (Mediafax Romania, RO, 26/7)
<http://www.mediafax.ro/externe/franta-se-ofera-sa-ajute-la-reglementarea-conflictului-privind-numele-macedoniei-11158649>

Summary

Discussions between Serbia and Kosovo

The representatives of the governments of Serbia and Kosovo held discussions in Brussels on the further normalisation of the relationship of the two countries. The significance of the 14th meeting was underlined by the fact that the negotiations, which were mediated by EU High Representative Catherine Ashton, were attended by Serbian Prime Minister Ivica Dačić and the Deputy Prime Minister Aleksandar Vučić, while the Kosovan delegation was led by Prime Minister Hashim Thaçi. The local elections in Kosovo scheduled for November are a key condition of the application of the agreement made between Belgrade and Priština, but there is no agreement about details yet (Magyar-Hirlap, HU, 25/7). "*Work on implementation will continue in the coming weeks with the same intensity so that we maintain the good momentum achieved so far,*" said Ashton (ideal.es, ES, 24/7).

- Magyar-Hirlap, HU, 25/7, http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20130725/mi/item_163998833.pdf
- ideal.es, ES, 24/7, <http://www.ideal.es/agencias/20130724/mas-actualidad/internacional/serbia-kosovo-seguiran-estudiando-como-201307242011.html>

Clashes in Montenegro

Police have battled with anti-gay protesters in Montenegro as they tried to disrupt the first gay pride parade to be held in the staunchly conservative Balkan country that is in talks to join the European Union. Around 200 demonstrators hurled stones, bottles and flares at policemen in the coastal town of Budva who were keeping them separate from around 40 marchers wearing shirts bearing the colours of the rainbow. At least ten demonstrators were arrested and several marchers were slightly injured, according to police. Zdravko Cimbalević, one of the march organisers and the first person to have come out as gay in Montenegro, said he had not expected such a violent reaction, which forced the marchers to shorten the route to avoid further clashes. "*This is the true face of Montenegro*" he said. On Tuesday, opponents of the gay rights march had put up fake death notices bearing Mr Cimbalević's name and photograph on public buildings in Budva. Gay pride marches are now routinely held in Montenegro's Adriatic neighbour Croatia, which joined the EU in July (heraldscotland.com, UK, 25/7).

- heraldscotland.com, UK, 25/7, <http://www.heraldscotland.com/news/world-news/police-clash-with-anti-gay-protesters.21693710>

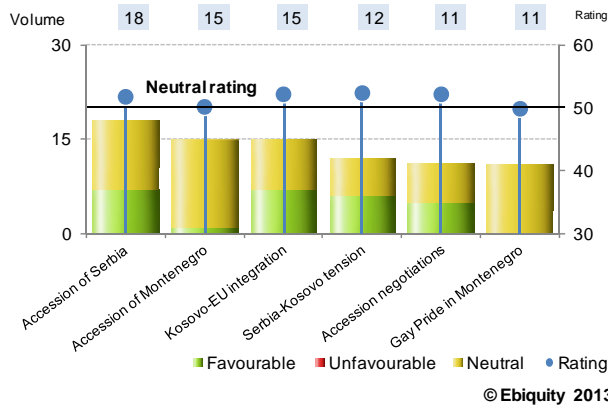
Press freedom in Turkey

Prime Minister Erdoğan's Turkey is now ranked 154th out of the 179 countries in the Reporters Without Borders (RSF) press freedom index, reports the Hurriyet website on the 105th anniversary of the banning of censorship in the country (ansamed.info, IT, 24/7). The leader of the country's main opposition party CHP, Kilicdaroglu, said Turkey had been "*taken back 105 years*" in the field of press freedom under the Erdoğan government.

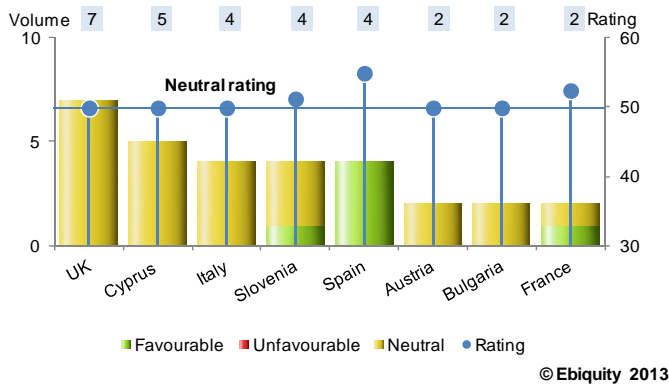
- ansamed.info, IT, 24/7, http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/nations/turkey/2013/07/24/Turkey-ranked-154th-RSF-press-freedom-index_9069486.html

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Ivica Dačić (Prime Minister, Serbia)	8
Štefan Füle (Enlargement Commissioner, EC)	5
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