



## Key Quotes

EU supports Bosnia and Herzegovina integration into the European energy market. Deputy Director General for Energy of the European Commission Mr Fabrizio Barbaso, on the one hand, and the Minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of Bosnia and Herzegovina Mr Boris Tučić, and the two Prime Ministers of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr Nermin Nikšić and of Republika Srpska Ms Željka Cvijanović, on the other, discussed energy related matters of relevance for the EU integration of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Balkans.com, GR, 29/1).

<http://www.balkans.com/open-news.php?uniquenumber=188066>

François Hollande to fight to regain Turkish investments. The President also supported the continuation of process initiated in 2005 for a possible accession of Turkey to the EU, where Nicolas Sarkozy believed that this country is not geographically part of Europe. **"You are in Europe, you're not in what is called the European Union, but you are in Europe"**, said François Hollande alongside his counterpart Abdullah Gül, without deciding clearly for membership (L'Usine Nouvelle, FR, 29/1).

<http://www.usinenouvelle.com/article/francois-hollande-a-l-attaque-pour-reconquerir-les-investissements-turcs.N235949>

## Summary

### Holland ready to move forward on the accession of Turkey

During the first day of his visit to Turkey, French President François Hollande reminded his hosts that the French would be consulted by a referendum on the accession of Turkey to the European Union. For his part, the Turkish President Abdullah Gül said he expected France not to block Turkey's accession process. There are strong reservations on the part of Paris and Berlin concerning the entry of a country of 76 million inhabitants with a Muslim majority (20-Minutes, FR, 28/1). 83% of the French are against Turkey's accession to the EU (Aujourd'hui-en-France, FR, 28/1). The point of the visit was to strengthen ties between the two countries, without endorsing the authoritarian drift of Prime Minister Erdoğan. The President who is accompanied by a large delegation of ministers, including Foreign Minister Laurent Fabius, the Minister of Defence Jean-Yves Le Drian, the Minister for Industrial Renewal Arnaud Montebourg, and the Minister of Agriculture Stéphane Le Foll, aims to *"break the deadlock in France to then improve their relationship"* (Monde, FR, 28/1).

- 20-Minutes, FR, 28/1, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item\\_185066226.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item_185066226.pdf)
- Aujourd'hui-en-France, FR, 28/1, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item\\_185070192.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item_185070192.pdf)
- Monde, FR, 28/1, [http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item\\_185028817.pdf](http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20140128/mi/item_185028817.pdf)

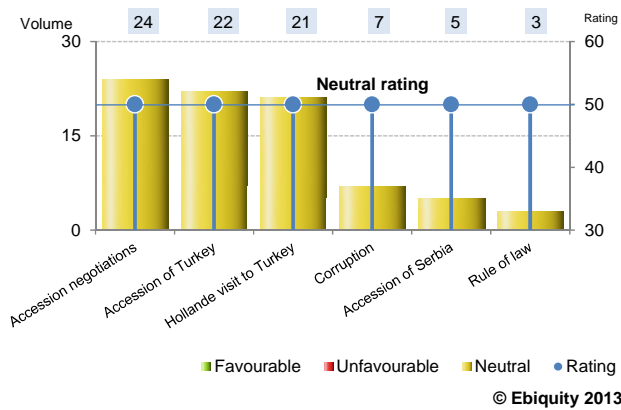
### Reforms in Serbia

The meeting intended to establish dialogue and normalize relations between Serbia and Kosovo, and which took place under the auspices of the High Representative of the EU's foreign policy Catherine Ashton, has concluded without agreement. Serbian Prime Minister Ivica Dačić and Kosovo Prime Minister Hasim Thaçi will meet again on 12 February. Implementation of arrangements in the context of dialogue and constructive cooperation is a condition for progress towards the EU for both Serbia and Kosovo (sta.si, SI, 27/1). However new elections in Serbia will slow reforms down. Former ultra-nationalist Aleksandar Vučić prepared the ground for new elections some time ago. He fought against corruption, for arrests of tycoons, for action against the drug mafia, and he was involved in work of new ministers and advisers which increased his popularity among the population (Wirtschaftsblatt, AT, 28/1).

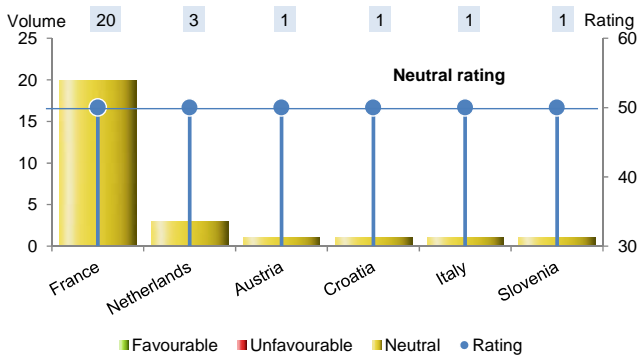
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François Hollande (President, France)	21
Recep Tayyip Erdoğan (Prime Minister, Turkey)	7
José Manuel Barroso (President, EC)	2
Ivica Dačić (Prime Minister, Serbia)	2
Baroness Catherine Ashton, (High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, EU)	1
Hashim Thaçi (Prime Minister, Kosovo)	1
Aleksandar Vučić (First Deputy Prime Minister, Serbia)	1
Abdullah Gül (President, Turkey)	1

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