



Key Quotes

House President condemns Turkish stance in Cyprus talks. *"The proposals put forward by the Turkish side during the Cyprus talks provide for the recognition of two state entities with equal sovereignty on the whole of the island which will lead to the completion of the Turkish invasion,"* House President Yiannakis Omirou has said. Omirou once again called on the international community to exert pressure on Turkey and point out that Turkey no longer can violate international laws and the law of the Sea and must comply with the laws and regulations, especially if Turkey wants to carry on with its EU course and join the bloc (famagusta-gazette.com, CY, 23/6) <http://famagusta-gazette.com/house-president-condemns-turkish-stance-in-cyprus-talks-p24046-69.htm>

Summary

EU enlargement has never endangered EU; it turned it into a force on the world stages

Romania's Foreign Minister Titus Corlăţean on Friday said the free movement of persons and the enlargement of the European Union have never endangered the EU; on the contrary, it turned it into a force to reckon with on the world stages. *"Along history, and even nowadays, the freely moving people have never endangered any society; on the contrary, they helped with economic growth. The same is true for the EU enlargement: it has never weakened the Union; on the contrary, enlargement has always brought good things to the European Union and its citizens, while turning the Union into a strong and positive force on the world stages,"* Corlăţean said.

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Turkish PM warns of assimilation, Austrian Foreign Minister Kurz criticises appearance

The "private" visit of Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdoğan to Vienna has been a highly controversial matter from the very beginning; according to a survey, the acceptance rate among the population is very low. Many people generally consider Mr Erdoğan holding an election campaign speech in Vienna to be a problem, but there is also scepticism towards Turkish people in general. In addition to the many Turkish inhabitants of Austria planning to attend the speech, two protests against the event were registered as well (Kurier, AT, 20/6).

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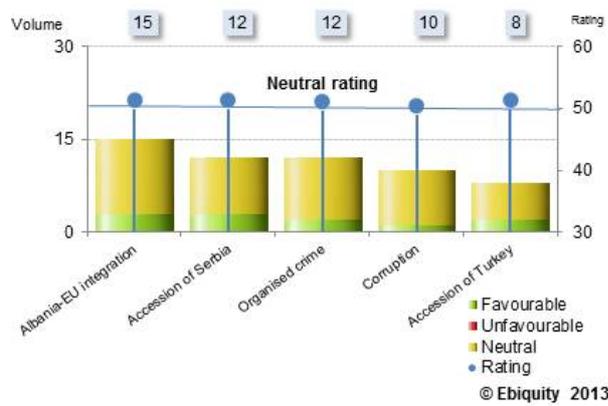
Albania and the economic impact of enlargement

David Cameron has backed plans for the country to join the European Union by moving Albania to candidate status. Yes, another poverty-stricken country will be allowed to export its population to Western Europe. This after many politicians have agreed that countries within the EU which were poor should have not been allowed freedom of movement until their economies were modernised thus producing decent income in the jobs of those countries (bnp.org.uk, UK, 20/6). In the Netherlands, Foreign Minister Frans Timmermans will vote in Brussels for candidate status for Albania. That decision is remarkable as the current political and economic situation in the small Balkan country is very unstable. The Albanian economy does not seem to meet the so-called Copenhagen criteria to be met by EU candidates (elsevier.nl, NL, 19/6).

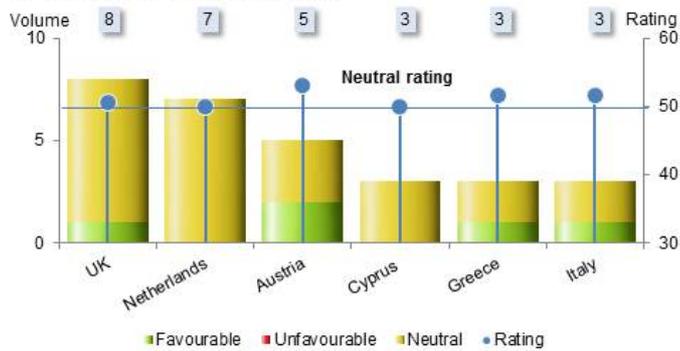
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