



## Key Quotes

European Commission President José Manuel Barroso will visit Serbia on Sunday, as announced by the European Commission. Barroso will meet with senior officials in the Serbian government, a statement said. **"Serbia is a very important country to the EU and it has made significant progress in European integration,"** Barroso told Tanjug during a press briefing in Brussels. **"I also plan to visit other countries in the region that have made progress on their European path,"** said Barroso, who will travel to Albania following his visit to Belgrade. (real.gr, GR, 26/6) <http://www.real.gr/DefaultArthro.aspx?page=arthro&id=334486&catID=14>

## Summary

### Changes to the Enlargement process

Enlargement Commissioner Štefan Füle suggested to EurActiv (BE, 26/6) in an exclusive interview that both member states and candidate countries had got tired of the slowly proceeding enlargement process and the biggest challenge was to return lost credibility to the enlargement process. Füle said *"before I started working in the European Commission, member states had just a few tools to influence, or even stop, the enlargement. Now they have more than 100 possible ways to do it. We do not want to slow down the process in any way. But every member state now has more possibilities to oversee good quality preparation of candidate countries"*. He added *"another step forward is the economic integration of candidate countries. We were focusing on growth and employment, only after the country became a member state in the past. Now we are engaging and helping them make structural reforms, to bring them closer to the EU at the beginning of the process. The enlargement is not about ticking off boxes, it is a process of real change and transformation"*

- euractiv.com, BE, 26/6, <http://www.euractiv.com/sections/enlargement/fule-bulgaria-and-romania-accession-questioned-credibility-eu-enlargement>

### Eurosceptic view of enlargement

Yesterday the EU agreed to give candidate status to Albania, the majority of whose citizens are Muslims. Once membership is approved Albanians will be able to flock here further swelling the influx of eastern Europeans that has already placed such a burden on civil infrastructure. Even more disturbing is the ambition of the EU to bring Turkey, a land of 77 million people, within its enervating embrace. The unelected cabal that runs the EU is determined to continue with the grand project of crushing the individual member states. Nothing embodies that arrogance more than the drive to impose Luxembourg's Jean-Claude Juncker as the new president of the commission in succession to the ex-communist Portuguese José Manuel Barroso (Daily-Express, UK, 26/6)

- Daily-Express, UK, 26/6, [link not available]

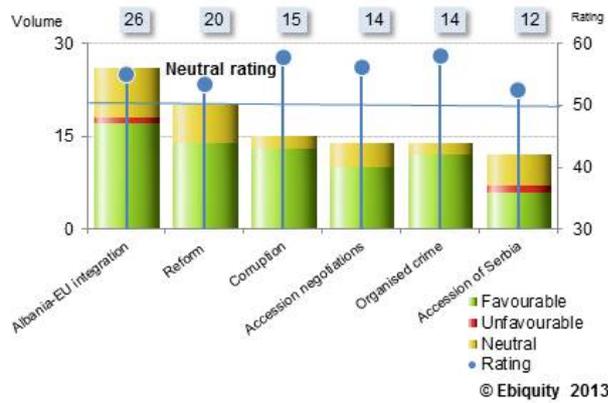
### Push for Bosnia

Bernard-Henri Lévy is hoping that a two-hour monologue pushes Bosnia-Herzegovina into the European Union. The French public intellectual is opening his new play, titled "Hotel Europe" and starring the French actor Jacques Weber, on June 27 in Sarajevo. *"Our aim here with this play is not only to stage a play, it is to try to use this play in order to help to change something in the terrible situation which Bosnia is still living,"* Levy told RFE/RL's Balkan Service in an interview, speaking in English. He said his hope is that *"this play could be [a] push which helps Bosnia to enter at last [the] European Union before Serbia"* (rferl.org, CZ, 26/6)

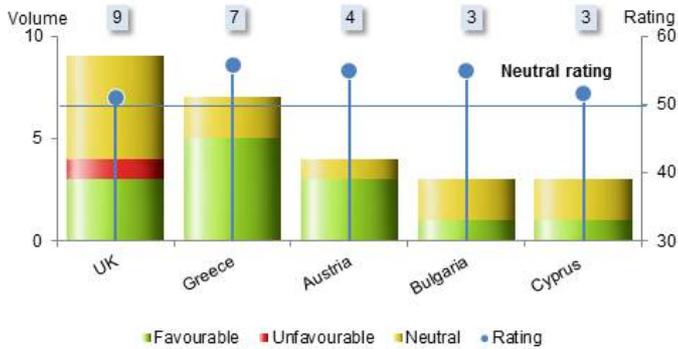
- rferl.org, CZ, 26/6, <http://www.rferl.org/content/why-bernard-henri-levy-wants-his-new-play-to-help-bosnia/25435978.html>

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