



Key Quotes

Mogherini is in favour of further enlargement of the EU. "***I think enlargement remains the best instrument in the EU to achieve regional peace, stability and economic prosperity,***" said Italian foreign minister Federica Mogherini (es.noticias.yahoo.com, ES, 2/9). <https://es.noticias.yahoo.com/mogherini-muestra-favor-seguir-ampliando-ue-juncker-100511616.html>

Summary

Turkey and EU accession

A draft EU report on Turkey published by the Cumhuriyet daily on Monday is critical of government corruption, changes in judicial laws, and the crackdown on free speech, Internet freedoms and social media. The report, set for publication in October, says Turkey's reforms are moving it away from EU membership (euobserver.com, BE, 2/9). However dnevnik.bg (BG, 2/9) reports that the new Turkish government will seek faster EU accession, Turkish Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoğlu said that one of the main lines of work of the new government will be intensified negotiations for Turkey's membership of the European Union. "*The previous government implemented a large volume of reforms in this area, but now the process is a little slow. Full membership in the EU is one of the main objectives of the government*" Davutoğlu said in parliament, where he presented the program of the new cabinet. The Prime Minister assured Parliament that his government intends to adhere to a stable and sage policy as concerns European integration, explaining that as a first measure it will insist on opening frozen negotiating chapters with the EU.

- euobserver.com, BE, 2/9, <http://euobserver.com/tickers/125431>
- dnevnik.bg, BG, 2/9, <http://www.dnevnik.bg/evropa/razshirivane/2014/09/02/>

Visa regime for Kosovo

Political and constitutional crises has made citizens of Kosovo less hopeful as regards the liberalization of the visa regime. They say that the political deadlock is acting as an obstacle to progress, and the fact that citizens remain isolated is the work of irresponsible politicians. Meanwhile, the Minister for European Integration, Gezim Kasapolli says that all criteria for the visa lifting have been met and according to him, citizens of Kosovo will be able to travel freely as of 2015. Kasapolli says that the political deadlock emerged after the June 8 elections has not had an impact in the progress of this process and that the Stabilization and Association Agreement is going well and is expected to be signed at the end of this year. (balkaneu.com, GR, 2/9).

- balkaneu.com, GR, 2/9, <http://www.balkaneu.com/political-deadlock-obstacle-kosovos-visa-regime-liberalized/>

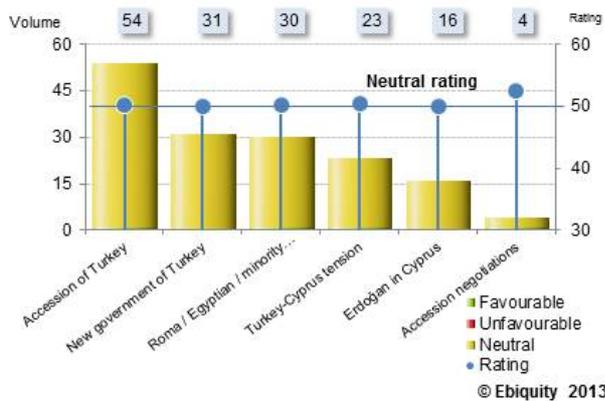
Turkish visit to Cyprus

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan on Monday visited breakaway northern Cyprus and pressed for a two-state solution on the divided island, on his first trip abroad since his inauguration. He held talks with Derviş Eroğlu, leader of the Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, which is recognised only by Turkey. The internationally recognised government in Nicosia condemned the visit as "*illegal*" (focus-fen.net, BG, 2/9).

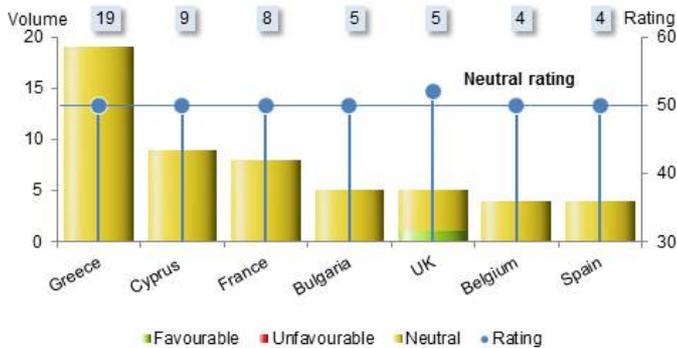
- focus-fen.net, BG, 2/9, <http://focus-fen.net/news/2014/09/02/347417/erdogan-insists-on-two-state-solution-on-cyprus-visit.html>

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