



Key Quotes

Bosnia's new presidential triumvirate took office on Monday in a first step to forming a government the West hopes will press economic reforms to help unblock stalled efforts to join the European Union. **"I expect the presidency in the next four years to be a strong engine that will pull the country forward on its reform path to our most important goal,"** Bakir Izetbegovic, who was re-elected as the Bosniak representative on the presidency, said in reference to EU accession (Yahoo!, UK, 17/11).

<https://uk.news.yahoo.com/bosnias-leadership-takes-shape-faces-pressure-reform-164038137.html#zsPhZyZ>

Summary

Hahn wants results from Serbia

The EU will take a stricter stance in its neighbourhood policy as regards EU candidate countries such as Serbia and Turkey. The partners have to understand that they will only get financial aid and a successful conclusion to negotiations if they can present clear economic targets and actual results in the case of the promised reforms. European Commissioner Johannes Hahn who is responsible in the matter made this clear in Brussels at the end of the week. Mr Hahn will visit Serbia this week (Der Standard, AT, 17/11). Austrian Foreign Minister, Sebastian Kurz, said however that the Western Balkans must not be forgotten by the EU adding that bloody conflicts that plagued the world should not turn the EU's attention away from the Balkans because it is important that Europe's closest neighbours should be prosperous and stable. Kurz continued saying *"we must overcome the deadlock in BiH"* and expressing the hope that there could be deeper EU engagement in BiH (Dnevnik.hr, HR, 17/11). In Serbia, politician Vojislav Šešelj said *"We need to turn to Russia, joining the Union Europe would be a disaster for the Serbian people"* (leparisien.fr, FR, 15/11).

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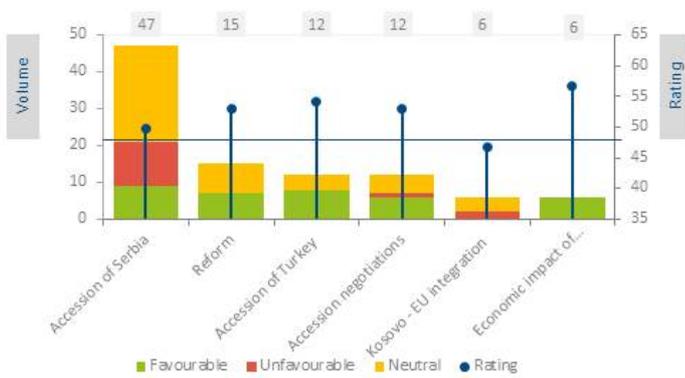
Political crisis in Kosovo

The post for the Prime Minister has endangered the post-election agreement of opposition parties for the creation of the new governing institutions in Kosovo. Political analyst, Artan Muhaxhiri, says that there must be international intervention, as according to him political leaders have proven to be *"incompetent"* in solving the crisis. He says that the arrival of the German senior official for southeast Europe, Ernst Reichel, to Kosovo and the constant appeals of ambassador Tracey Ann Jacobson and Ian Cliff to solve the crisis as soon as possible are signs of international intervention. Parliament is expected to assemble in December in order to proceed with the 2015 budget, as the lack of an approved budget would sink the country in a serious financial crisis (balkaneu.com, GR, 17/11).

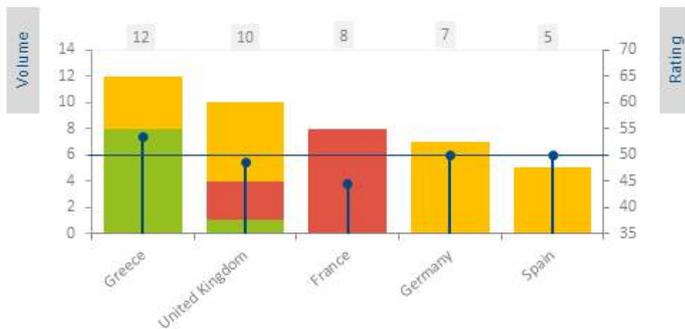
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Vojislav Šešelj - Serb politician	16
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