

Key Quotes

Serbia is ready for Chapter 35 of the EU accession talks, which refers to Kosovo, chief Serbian negotiator in EU membership talks Tanja Mišćević has said. **"Dialogue with Priština is a requirement and we are ready for that and for Chapter 35,"** she said. **"Our job is to be prepared. I do not know when the chapter might be opened, because a consensus between all the EU members is needed for the countries to make a decision on it,"** she stated (es.noticias.yahoo.com, ES, 19/11).
<https://es.noticias.yahoo.com/serbia-preparada-hablar-kosovo-negociaci%C3%B3n-acceso-ue-145205100.html>

Summary

Progress for Serbia

Johannes Hahn, the European Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations has met Ivica Dačić, the Serbian First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs. Following the meeting he said *"I have congratulated the Deputy Prime Minister on the professionalism and high level of commitment of Serbia throughout the negotiation process and acknowledged the substantial progress Serbia has made. I have assured Serbia it can rely on the full support of the Commission to continue in the process. I reassured Deputy Prime Minister Dačić about the firmness of EU's commitment to Serbia's European perspective. My forthcoming visit to Serbia this week, early in my mandate, is a sign that enlargement negotiations have the same priority as before. However, much work still lies ahead and I wish to stress that Serbia needs to continue delivering on its reform priorities in a sustained manner as the pace of negotiations will depend on progress in key areas, as well as on the normalisation process with Kosovo"* (Balkans.com, UK, 19/11).

- Balkans.com, UK, 19/11, <http://www.balkans.com/open-news.php?uniquenumber=198915>

Hungarian view of enlargement

NATO should bring the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro into its fold and the European integration process of the western Balkans should be speeded up, Hungary's foreign minister, Peter Szijjarto, said in Brussels in separate talks with the NATO secretary-general and the EU commissioner for enlargement. In talks with Johannes Hahn he said that speeding up the EU enlargement process would, to a large extent, contribute to the restoration of Europe's competitiveness. *"We believe that the outlook for European integration plays an important role in the stability of the western Balkans"* he said. Szijjarto added that he was in agreement with Hahn that country-specific programmes were needed in the eastern partnership cooperation. *"It would make no sense to offer the same general programme to Moldova, Belarus and Azerbaijan"* he said (politics.hu, HU, 19/11).

- politics.hu, HU, 19/11, <http://www.politics.hu/20141119/foreign-minister-urges-nato-eu-to-integrate-balkan-countries/>

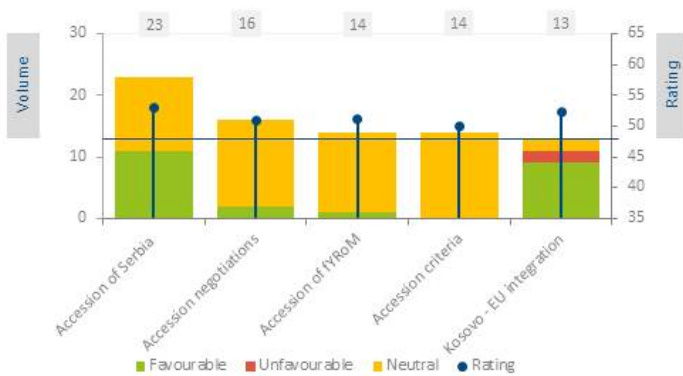
EULEX

The EU Ombudsman has opened a fresh enquiry into the EU's handling of corruption allegations at Eulex, the EU's rule of law mission in Kosovo. Emily O'Reilly, who heads the watchdog, notified Patrick Child, the top official in the European External Action Service which runs Eulex, about her *"own-initiative"* investigation in a letter on 14 November. Citing press articles on the furore she said there are doubts as to whether EEAS/Eulex Kosovo has properly investigated/is properly investigating the allegations of serious irregularities reported by the Eulex prosecutor (euobserver.com, BE, 18/11).

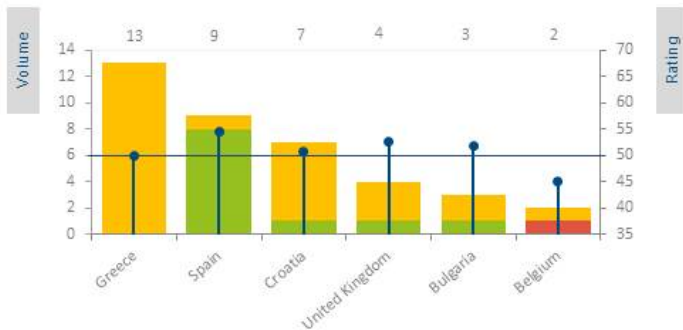
- euobserver.com, BE, 18/11, <http://euobserver.com/foreign/126580>

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Johannes Hahn - Neighbourhood Policy & Enlarg	11
Nikola Poposki – former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia FM	10
Evangelos Venizelos - Greek FM	10
Federica Mogherini	9
Ivica Dačić - Serbian FM	9
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