



Key Quotes

Croatian Ambassador in Belgrade Goran Markotic said that the provisional release of Hague war crimes tribunal for the former Yugoslavia indictee and Serbian Radical Party leader Vojislav Šešelj could not threaten Croatia-Serbia relations because they rested on good foundations. He reiterated Croatia's position that bilateral issues will not be a hurdle to Serbia's European Union accession. Markotic said one should distinguish "**if an issue is bilateral or falls within the European Union *acquis communautaire* and the adopted European values and standards,**" since EU aspirants must meet the requirements set by the EU before joining (dalje.com, HR, 26/11).

<http://dalje.com/en-croatia/seseljs-release-cant-affect-serbia-croatia-relations-ambassador-says/529142>

Summary

Agreement between Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

The ministers of labour and social policy of Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia have signed a memorandum of co-operation on labour law, the labour market and combating undeclared work, the government media office in Sofia said. The memorandum was signed on November 25th 2014 by Bulgarian minister Ivailo Kalfin and his counterpart in Skopje, Dime Spasov. The partnership between the two countries provides for the exchange of information and expertise in the field of harmonisation of labour legislation, social dialogue, seasonal employment and policies and measures for the reduction and prevention of undeclared work. The two countries are also planning to cooperate in terms of inspection control in order to tackle informal employment and implement programmes for active employment policy through the European Social Fund. (balkaneu.com, GR, 26/11).

- balkaneu.com, GR, 26/11, <http://www.balkaneu.com/sofia-skopje-labour-market-deal/>

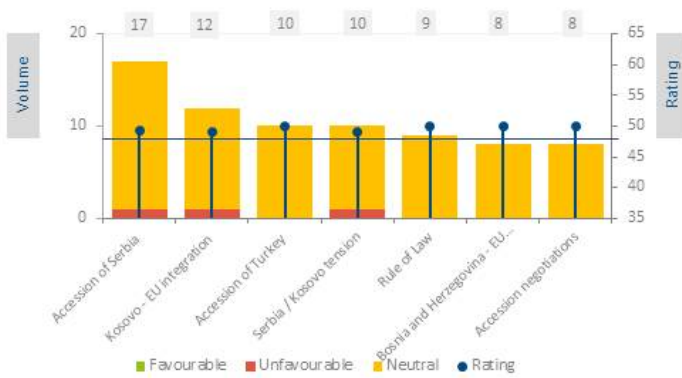
Putin threat to EU

Beware, Putin can do the same with Kosovo as with Crimea. Dutch politician, Theo van den Doel believes that Europe needs an active security policy as Serbia, an EU candidate country is a close ally of Russia. The current president of Serbia, Tomislav Nikolić, even believed that Serbia would be better off as a province of Russia than as a member of the EU. His first foreign visit as president was to Russia. The article continues that the EU lacks of effective means to call Russia to order and a new active European security agenda is necessary (NRC Handelsblad, NL, 26/11).

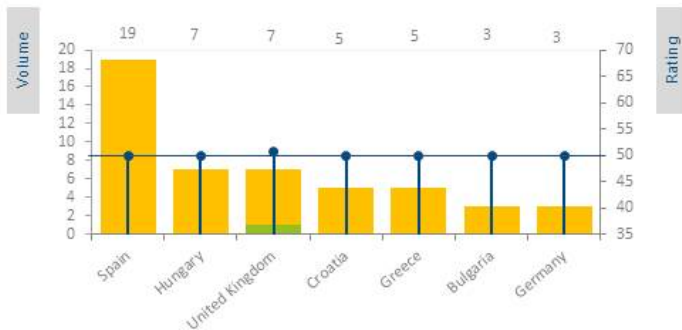
NRC Handelsblad, NL, 26/11, http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20141125/mi/item_224107513.pdf

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