



Key Quotes

The presidents of Slovenia, Croatia and Austria backed on Friday the EU's further enlargement to the Western Balkans, while adding that all candidates needed to meet membership conditions. "I don't see any other possibility for peace, security, prosperity, reconciliation - not only in the Western Balkans but more widely in this part of Europe - without the inclusion of these countries into the EU within a reasonable time," Slovenian President Borut Pahor said (sloveniatimes.com, SI, 18/4) <http://www.sloveniatimes.com/pahor-grabar-kitarovic-fischer-back-eu-enlargement-to-w-balkans>

Summary

Kosovo's isolation consequence of EU's blindness and laziness

There is no indication that the people of Kosovo and the Serbs would be willing to agree to a joint armed force like the Serbs, the Croats and the Bosnians did in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Delo (SI, 17/4) reports. There seems to be a long way to go before the army of Kosovo will be established. Even less likely is the idea of a Greater Albania, which is again stirring up conflict in the Western Balkans. If the EU does not establish conditions for the European integration of Kosovo and the liberalisation of visas, Albania and Kosovo could unite in a classic way, Edi Rama, the Albanian PM said in a statement that surprised Brussels.

- Delo, SI, 17/4, http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150417/mi/item_244401225.pdf

New round of Kosovo Serbia talks

The EU said it will host fresh talks between Prime Ministers Aleksandar Vučić of Serbia and Isa Mustafa of Kosovo as part of efforts to normalise their ties. EU Foreign Affairs Chief Federica Mogherini will meet the two leaders in Brussels on Tuesday to promote the dialogue between the two neighbours. The three will review the progress in the implementation of previous agreements the EU's diplomatic service said in a statement. During their last meeting on February 10, the two Prime Ministers agreed to the setting up of a judicial structure in northern Kosovo acceptable to both the minority ethnic Serbs and majority Kosovars, who are ethnic Albanians, the EU said (eubusiness.com, UK, 17/4).

- eubusiness.com, UK, 17/4, <http://www.eubusiness.com/news-eu/serbia-kosovo.10rc/>

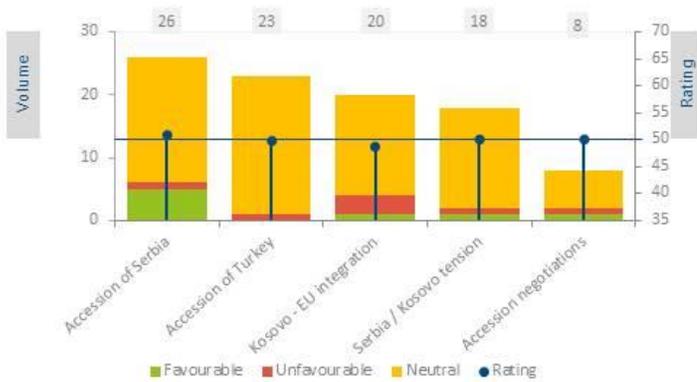
Genocide as test for Turkey

The recent attacks of Turkish President Erdoğan and his comrades in arms against the Pope and the European Parliament for recognising the genocide against the Armenians are part of a long tradition Der Standard wrote in a commentary. One thing is clear: just as no country of the European Union can deny blame for the persecution of the Jews and other crimes Turkey will only be ready for the European Union when it takes responsibility for the Armenian genocide.

- Der Standard, AT, 17/4, http://193.178.140.110/delivery/20150417/mi/item_244402200.pdf

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