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Please find below a double issue in the Centre's News service, collecting legal and policy developments from EU external policies in weeks 42-43 (14-27 October 2013).

Kind regards,

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# **EU Enlargement**

# 16 October

EU Enlargement Package 2013 and Progress Reports

# 17 October

E.Commission recommends granting the EU-candidate status to Abania and opening accession negotiations with FYR Macedonia

# 21 October

First meeting of the Stabilisation and Association Council between EU and Serbia

Foreign Affairs Council conclusions on Bosnia and Herzegovina

# 22 October

General Affairs Council opens a new chapter in accession negotiations with Turkey

# 25 October

Commissioner for Enlargement meets with the Prime Minister of FYR Macedonia on reform priorities

# **Eastern Partnership**

## 18 October

<u>'Behind – and beyond – Armenia's choice' (ISS</u> Alert by N. Popescu)

## 22 October

Foreign Affairs Council assesses progress towards an EU-Ukraine Association Agreement

Armenia, Georgia and Moldova join Eastern Europe Energy Efficiency and Environment Partnership

# 25 October

First EU Eastern Partnership Youth Forum conclusions

# **European Neighbourhood Policy**

## 21 October

EU and Israel explore new opportunities for growth and innovation

Foreign Affairs Council conclusions on Syria

# 22 October

Commissioner Štefan Füle on implementation of ENP package 2013

#### 23 October

EP MEPs say the EU should reward its eastern and southern neighbours for progress with reforms

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# **Trade and Investment**

#### 18 October

Main results of the Foreign Affairs Council (Trade) of 18 October 2013

# 22 October

Proceedings of the Workshop on "The Long Road towards an EU-India Free Trade Agreement" (EP Study by A Mukherjee et al.)

# 24 October

<u>Lithuanian President denounces Russian trade restrictions on Lithuanian products</u>

# **CFSP & CSDP**

# 15 October

EP Report on the Annual Report from the Council to the European Parliament on the CFSP

## 16 October

Main aspects and basic choices of the CFSP -Annual Report from the EU HR to the European Parliament



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# 17 October

Summary record of the meeting of the European Parliament Sub-committee on Security and Defence (SEDE)

# 18 October

Commission's Report to the Council and the E. Parliament on the implementation of Regulation (EC) No 128/2009 setting up a Community regime for the control of exports, transfer, brokering and transit of dual-use items

# 21 October

EU Foreign Affairs Council on EU policy towards Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

'EU Defence Policy is an additional insurance for Europeans' - interview with professor G. Vitkus

# 23 October

Council Decision to provide EU support to the International Atomic Energy Agency in the area of

nuclear security under the EU Strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

#### 24 October

EP MEPs call for new mind-set and boost for European defence strategy ahead of December security and defence EU Summit

'Ridding Syria of chemical weapons: the complications that lie ahead' (Overview by EP Library)

'Is a nuclear deal with Iran on the cards?' (Briefing by EP Library)

## 25 October

République centrafricaine: défis humanitaires, politiques et sécuritaires' (ISS brief by C. Barrios)

# **Development and cooperation**

#### 16 October

'Opportunity for food security in Africa? The New Alliance for Food Security and Nutrition (NAFSN)' (Briefing by EP Library)

#### 21 October

EU-Central African Republic relations (Fact sheet by the E. Commission)

#### 23 October

'The "New Deal" for engagement in fragile states' (Briefing by EP Library)

## 24 October

International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions calls for more transparency in humanitarian aid

#### 25 October

Decision No 1025/2013/EU of the E.Parliament and of the Council providing macro-financial assistance to the Kyrgyz Republic

# Climate change

## 15 October

Council conclusions on the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

# **External Dimension of AFSJ**

# 17 October

European Asylum Support Office to provide support to Bulgaria

# 18 October

EESC calls for a coherent EU policy on immigration

# 22 October

Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council Establishing the European Border Surveillance System (EUROSUR)

# 23 October

Infographic - Irregular migration: a European Issue

EP plenary session urges EU action on migration to prevent further tragedies



# **Human Rights**

# 21 October

EU Annual Report on Human Rights and Democracy in the World in 2012

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### 18 October

EU and Canada conclude Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement

<u>Facts and figures of the EU-Canada Free</u> <u>Trade deal</u>

Overview of EU trade relations with Canada



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# **EU-US**

# 15 October

<u>'Legal Implications of the EU-US Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP) for the Acquis Communautaire and the ENM Relevant Sectors that Could be Addressed During Negotiations'</u> (EP Study by C. Gerstetter et al.)

## 23 October

EP MEPs call for suspension of EU-US bank data deal in response to NSAsnooping

# **EU-China**

## 18 October

EU investment negotiations with China and ASEAN

## 24 October

EU Statements following the Fourth EU-China High Level Economic and Trade Dialogue (HED)

## **EU Institutions**

#### 22 October

'Parliament's enhanced role in international agreements' (Overview by EP Library)

#### **Events**

# 1-2 November

Exploring the 'Grey Zones': Governance, Conflict and (In) Security in Eastern Europe (Conference organised by Aarhus University in Aarhus, DK)

## 6 November

<u>The experiences of the Irish Presidency of the EU Council - a legal appraisal</u> (Lecture organised by T.M.C. Asser Instituut, CLEER and the Embassy of Ireland in The Hague, T.M.C. Asser Instituut, The Hague, NL)

# 14-15 November

<u>The ENP in a Comparative Perspective: Mapping the EU's Wider Neighbourhood Relations</u> (International conference organised by College of Europe, Bruges, BE)

# 15 November

<u>The European Union in International Organisations and Global Governance</u> (Conference organised by Centre d'études juridiques européennes (CEJE) in Geneva, CH)

## 18-22 November

EU Negotiations in Practice (Training course organised by College of Europe, Bruges, BE)

# 5-7 December

Global Perspective on Europe (Conference organised by University of Flensburg in Flensburg DE)

# 6 December

<u>Human security as a tool for a comprehensive approach to human rights and security linkages in EU Foreign policy</u> (Conference organised by CLEER and T.M.C. Asser Instituut, The Hague, NL)

# 30-31 January 2014

<u>Crisis, Ideas and Policy Transformation: Experts and Expertise in European International Organisations, 1973-1987</u> (Conference organised by Maastricht University in Maastricht, NL)



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