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Please find below the latest issue in the Centre's News service, collecting legal and policy developments from EU external policies in week 40 (30 September-6 October 2013).

Kind regards,

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EU Enlargement

1 October

EU-Bosnia Dialogue on Accession Process: Bosnia to end a constitutional ban on minorities running for high office

2 October

<u>Commissioner for Enlargement discusses with the Turkish Mnister for EU Affairs on accession</u> negotiations and upcoming Progress Report

European Neighbourhood Policy

30 September

Commissioner Kristalina Georgieva speaks at UNHCR Executive Committee on the Commission's humanitarian priorities in Syria

3 October

EP Civil Liberties Committee's resolution on EU response to the Syrian refugee crisis

4 October

Commission proposes Visa Facilitation in the context of EU-Morocco Mobility Partnership

Eastern Partnership

The EESC and the EU's Eastern Neighbours, main messages' (Overview of EESC opinions on Eastern Partnership)

1 October

The EU's dialogue on migration, mobility and security within the Eastern Partnership' (Overview by EP Library)



Lithuanian Presidency focuses on strengthening research ties with Eastern Partnership countries

3 October

Commissioner for Enlargement meets with Prime Mnister I. Leancă on EU-Moldova Association Agreement

3 October

HR Ashton and Commissioner Štefan Füle on worrying cases of pressure on opposition, civil society and media in Azerbaijan

4 October

Commissioner for Enlargement speaks at the 5th Eastern Partnership Civil Society Forum

Trade and Investment

1 October

EU to request extension of the WTO waiver on autonomous trade preferences granted by the Union to the Republic of Moldova

4 October

The EU's Trade Policy Committee focuses on trade relations with the Eastern Partnership

CSDP

30 September

Lithuanian Presidency is actively engaged in developing more effective EU missions and operations

Development and cooperation

1 October

'EU support for governance in the Democratic Republic of the Congo' (Special report by the European Court of Auditors)

1 October

Third meeting of the Cooperation Council between the EU and the Republic of Tajikistan

3 October

Commissioner for Development on the new EU development assistance foreseen for Central America

4 October

EU to provide €50 million to boost food security and build resilience to drought in Ethiopia

4 October

Joint Declaration of the EU and the ACP countries in view of the UN High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development

Energy and Transport

4 October

The Commission welcomes the ICAO UN Aviation Assembly conclusions

External Dimension of AFSJ

'Handbook on European law relating to asylum, borders and immigration' (published by FRA)

1 October

Council Regulation establishing an evaluation and monitoring mechanism to verify the application of the Schengen acquis

3 October

Commissioner Cecilia Malmström speaks at the UN High Level Dialogue on Mgration and Development

3 October

The European Asylum Support Office publishes its work programme for 2014

EU - US

30 September

EP Civil Liberties Committee inquiry into US and EU countries' spying on EU citizens

4 October

Statement by Karel De Gucht on the cancellation of the 2nd Round of TTIP negotiations due to the US administration shutdown

Events

11 October

Germany as a global actor (Conference organised by University of Birmingham, UK)

14-18 October

EU Diplomacy (Training Course organised by College of Europe, Bruges, BE)

25 October

<u>Twenty Years Treaty on European Union: Reflections from Maastricht</u> (Conference organised by Maastricht University in Maastricht, NL)

28-29 October

The Feasibility of an EU System of Border Guards (Conference organised by Frontex in Warsaw, PL)

28-30 October

Trade Policy (Training Course organised by College of Europe, Bruges, BE)

1-2 November

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

14-15 November

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

18-22 November

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

5-7 December

<u>Global Perspective on Europe</u> (Conference organised by University of Flensburg in Flensburg DE)

30-31 January 2014

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

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