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Please find below the collection of latest legal and policy developments in EU external relations from weeks 5-6/2015 (26 January- 9 February 2015).

Kind regards,

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EU Enlargement

29 January

European Union Police Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina
Special Report



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Eastern Partnership

27 January

Georgia: EU disburses €13 million grant in Macro-Financial Assistance



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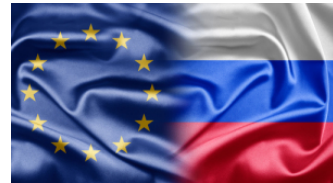
29 January

EU and Eastern Partnership partners discuss strengthening law enforcement

EU- Russia

29 January

EU sanctions against Russia over Ukraine crisis



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30 January

'Hybrid tactics: neither new nor only Russian' (EUISS Brief by N. Popescu)

EU- Ukraine

26 January

Minister E. Rinkēvičs discusses the situation in Ukraine and the upcoming extraordinary meeting of the EU's Foreign Affairs Council

29 January

Council conclusions on Ukraine

European Commission support for Ukraine

30 January

EU Foreign Affairs Council agrees on further sanctions following attacks on Mariupol

EU-Central Asia

30 January

Latvian Presidency organised a conference on EU-Central Asia cooperation in Brussels



@EastWest Institute

Trade and Investment

28 January

TTIP: spotlight on the sensitive issues at EP public hearing



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29 January

The European Commission tables proposals to improve transparency in Investor-to-State Dispute Settlement (ISDS) based on existing investment treaties

4 February

32nd Annual Report from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament on the EU's Anti-Dumping, Anti-Subsidy and Safeguard activities

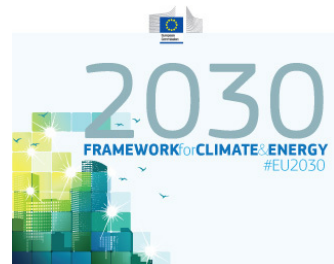
6 February

International Trade in Services - EU surplus up to almost €180 bn in 2013 - Of which a third with EFTA countries

Energy and Climate

4 February

Commission launches work on Energy Union



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Development and Cooperation

26 January

Black Sea Synergy: review of a regional cooperation initiative



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27 January

Report on the work of the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly

28 January

European Commission strengthens partnership with local authorities associations

29 January

EU steps up humanitarian assistance to Syria crisis

4 February

EU-US Justice and Home Affairs Senior Officials ministerial meeting in Riga

5 February

Communication from the Commission: A Global Partnership for Poverty Eradication and Sustainable Development after 2015

European Commission sets out its position on global partnership for the post-2015 development agenda

CFSP & CSDP

29 January

Outcomes of the Foreign Affairs Council

3 February

EU Training Mission in Somalia gets new mission commander



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5 February

Six-Monthly Progress Report on the implementation of the EU Strategy against the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

6 February

New strategy mobilises all EU tools and €1 billion for Syria and Iraq

Fight against terrorism

29 January

EU Counter Terrorism Coordinator input for the preparation of the informal meeting of Justice and Home Affairs Ministers on 29 January

30 January

'Cyber jihadists and their web' (EUISS Brief by B. Berton, P. Pawlak)

6 February

'Hizbullah's hybrid posture: three armies in one' (EUISS Brief by F. Gaub)

Human Rights

26 January

MEPs discuss the situation of human rights and democracy worldwide

29 January

Report on the Implementation of the EU Plan of Action on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Development (2010 - 2015)

3 February

Latvian Presidency of the EU Council meets with ICC

6 February

Commission actions to fight FGM in the EU and worldwide



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External Dimension of AFSJ

28 January

First European Migration Forum: the human face of migration

29 January

Stakeholders discuss challenges and benefits of free movement of persons

30 January

'State-sponsored hackers: hybrid armies?' (EUISS Brief by P. Pawlak, G. Petkova)



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Events

11 February 2015

'Does the European Union need new opening with Russia?' (public debate organized by Heinrich-Böll-Foundation and European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR), Warsaw, Poland)

13 February 2015

'Consequences of repealing of the Human Rights Act (1998) and/or denouncing the European Convention on Human Rights for the United Kingdom' (workshop organized by Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou (University of Surrey) and Tobias Lock (University of Edinburgh), Edinburgh, United Kingdom)

Deadline: 16 February 2015

Call for paper: 'Justifying the European Border Regime and holding it to account: Ideational versus Material Dimensions?' (workshop organized by B/Orders in Motion at the European University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder, Germany)

17 February 2015

'Encircled by crises : European Foreign Policy in 2015' (conference organized by European Council on Foreign Relations, Paris, France)

18 February 2015

'Exile, refuge and the Greek polis: between justice and humanity' (seminar organized by Refugee Studies Centre, Oxford, United Kingdom)

'Unexpected Constraints on Regulatory Autonomy from the Services Chapter of EU RTAs' (seminar organized by Mr. Bregt Natens organized by the Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies and Amsterdam Center for International Law , Amsterdam, the Netherlands)

19-20 February 2015

'Testing the boundaries of EU actorness in the Eastern Partnership: Mutual perceptions and influences' (workshop organized by The Global Europe Centre at the University of Kent, Canterbury, United Kingdom)

'The EU and International Dispute Settlement' (workshop organized by the European University Institute, the ESIL Interest Group on The EU as a Global Actor and the Centre for the Law of EU External Relations (CLEER), Florence, Italy)

27 February 2015

'China, the European Union and the World Order' (lecture organized by the Journal of Common Market Studies (JCMS) and the Centre of European Policy Studies (CEPS), Brussels, Belgium)

'The Power of the People: The dynamics and limits of social mobilization in South Eastern Europe' (symposium organized by University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom)

4 March 2015

'Refugees - what's wrong with history?' (seminar organized by Refugee Studies Centre, Oxford, United Kingdom)

6-8 March 2015

'New Perspectives in European Studies: Europeanisation in the EU and the Neighbourhood' (symposium organized by UACES CRN Centrifugal Europe, Belfast, United Kingdom)

12-13 March 2015

'Assessing the performance of the European Union in Central and Eastern Europe and in its Neighbourhood' (workshop organized by Dimitris Papadimitriou (University of Manchester), Manchester, United Kingdom)

23 March 2015

'The Ukraine crisis and post-post-Cold War Europe' (workshop organized by the Centre for Russian, European and Eurasian Studies (CREES), University of Birmingham, Birmingham, United Kingdom)

26-27 March 2015

'Justifying the European Border Regime and holding it to account: Ideational versus Material Dimensions?' (workshop organized by B/Orders in Motion at the European University Viadrina, Frankfurt/Oder, Germany)

27-28 March 2015

'Europe Inside-Out: Europe and Europeanness Exposed to Plural Observers' (conference organized by Euroacademia, Barcelona, Spain)

23 April 2015

'Better Regulation in the EU revisited. Improving the European Union for the benefit of business and citizens' (European Law Symposium organized by T.M.C. Asser Instituut as a part of T.M.C. Asser Instituut's 50th anniversary celebrations, The Hague, The Netherlands)(registration will open soon)

27-28 April 2015

'The EU and the Emerging Powers 2015: Cooperation and Competition in Knowledge and Technology' (conference organized by Université Catholique de Louvain, KULeuven, University of Liège, Ghent University, Université Libre de Bruxelles, Saint Louis University Brussels, College of Europe, Brussels, Belgium)

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