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Dear CLEER Community members,

Please find below the collection of latest legal and policy developments in EU external relations from week 38/2015 (September 13 - September 20, 2015).

Kind regards,

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## EU Enlargement

### 15 September

EU - Bosnia-Herzegovina sign agreement on participation in crisis management operations

### 17 September

Western Balkans and Turkey receive funding for main migration-related activities



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## EU Neighbourhood Policy

### 17 September

EU provides funding of migration-related activities in the Southern Neighbourhood region

European Commission proposes the introduction of emergency autonomous trade measures for the Republic of Tunisia

## EU - Ukraine

### 14 September

EU extends the validity of sanctions over actions against Ukraine's territorial integrity

### 18 September

'Ukraine's other War' (EUISS Brief by J. Kobzova and N. Popescu)

'Saakashvili in Odessa' (EUISS Alert by N. Popescu)



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## EU - Asia

### 15 September

EU and Korean leaders discuss global challenges and bilateral relations at the EU - Republic of Korea Summit

## EU Trade and Investment

### 15 September

Council adopts EU position in WTO regarding preferential treatment of service suppliers from least-developed country members

### 16 September

Commission proposes new Investment Court System for TTIP and other EU trade and investment negotiations

### 18 September

'Unfinished business: the governance of the Economic and Monetary Union' (EPC Compendium by F. Zuleeg (ed.))

'Investment rules in trade agreements - Developments and issues in light of the TTIP debate' (EPRS In-Depth-Analysis by L. Puccio)

## External Dimension of AFSJ

### 14 September

Council agrees on relocation of refugees from Greece and Italy



'Safe countries of origin': Assessing the new proposal' (*EU Law Analysis* Blog entry by S. Peers)

'Moving Beyond the Asylum Muddle' (*EJIL: Talk!* Blog entry by J. Hathaway)

### 15 September

EP concerned with 'failure' of EU ministers to react to the refugee crisis

'Heads buried in the sand: member states block solutions to the refugee crisis' (EPC Commentary by Y. Pascouau)

### 17 September

MEPs give go-ahead to relocate an additional 120,000 asylum seekers in the EU

### 18 September

Asylum in the EU: Over 210 000 first time asylum seekers in the EU in the second quarter of 2015

## EU Energy and Climate Change

### 17 September

'The EU 2030 Climate and Energy Framework: Keeping up the pressure on governance structures' (*Bruegel* Blog entry by S. Tagliapietra and G. Zachmann)

### 18 September

'Post-2020 reform of the EU Emissions Trading System' (EPRS Briefing by G. Erbach)

## EU assistance to third countries

**18 September**

EU increases humanitarian aid to South Sudan



## EU and Human Rights

**18 September**

'European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights' (EPRS Briefing by A. Dobrev)

## Events

### 29 September

'The experience of the Latvian Presidency of the EU Council in the field of external relations' (CLEER Presidency Lecture organized by the Centre for the Law of EU External Relations, The Hague, Netherlands)

### 01-02 October

'The European Union as an Actor in International Economic Law' (Conference organised by the Research Unit in Law of the University of Luxembourg and the Centre for the Law of EU External Relations (CLEER) of the T.M.C. Asser Instituut, Luxembourg)

### 13 October

'The EU comprehensive approach to security: a practitioner's guide' (Meeting organized by CEPS, Brussels, Belgium)

### Deadline for proposal submission: 19 October

'The European Union in International Affairs' (Call for papers and panels: Conference organized by the Institute for European Studies at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel (IES-VUB), the Institut d'Études Européennes at the Université Libre de Bruxelles (IEE-ULB), Egmont – the Royal Institute for International Relations, Brussels, Belgium, and the United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies (UNU-CRIS), Bruges, Belgium)

### 19-20 October

'Liberal Internationalism and European Security: Challenges and Contradictions' (Conference organized by ACCESS EUROPE and the University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, Netherlands)

### 20 October

'The EU's 2015 Enlargement Strategy and Progress Reports' (Meeting organized by CEPS, Brussels, Belgium)

### 22-23 October

'A Guide to the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)' (Seminar organized by the European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, the Netherlands)

### 27-29 October

'EU Presidency Challenges - The Eight Steps to Successfully Manage and Chair Groups during the Rotating Presidency of the Council of the EU' (Seminar organized by the European Institute of Public Administration, Maastricht, the Netherlands)

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