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Please find below the collection of latest legal and policy developments in EU external relations from weeks 50-53/2015 (December 7th 2015- January 3rd 2016).

Kind regards,

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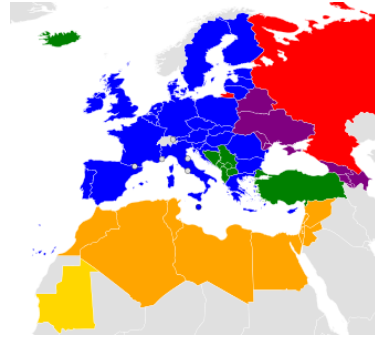
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EU Neighbourhood Policy

21 December

No outcome reached at the final trilateral ministerial meeting on the EU-Ukraine DCFTA

€112 million to support socio-economic reforms and protection of vulnerable groups in EU's Southern Neighbourhood



23 December

EU provides €6.6 million support for Libyan population using the ENI

31 December

The trade part of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement becomes operational on 1 January 2016

Enlargement

16 December

New cross-border cooperation programme for Italy, Montenegro and Albania

18 December

Speech: Commissioner Avramopoulos on the adoption of final Visa Liberalisation Reports for Georgia, Ukraine, and Kosovo

EU Trade and Investment

16 December

EU and WTO partners finalise high tech trade deal



19 December

WTO delivers ground-breaking deal for development

22 December

EU and the Philippines launch negotiations for a free trade agreement

External Dimension of AFSJ

10 December

Implementing the Common European Asylum System:
Commission escalates 8 infringement proceedings



15 December

Commission Recommendation for a Voluntary Humanitarian Admission Scheme with Turkey

Proposal for a Council Decision on temporary suspension of Sweden's relocation obligation

16 December

Commission announces 16 actions to address the root causes of irregular migration

'The Reform of Frontex: Saving Schengen at Refugees' Expense?' (EU Law Analysis Blog entry by S.Peers)

18 December

State of Play: Measures to Address the Refugee Crisis

29 December

'The Slovak Challenge to the Asylum-Seekers' Relocation Decision: A Balancing Act' (EU Law Analysis Blog entry by Z.Vikarska)

30 December

Progress following Western Balkans Route Leaders' Meeting: Tenth Contact Points Video Conference

CFSP & CSDP

15 December

'European Defence: Myth or Reality?' (Verfassungsblog entry by G. De Minico)



EU assistance to third countries

17 December

EU provides €5 million in humanitarian aid for the Burundian crisis

21 December

EU increases humanitarian aid to South Sudan by €20 million

22 December

EU provides €12 million in humanitarian aid to Afghanistan

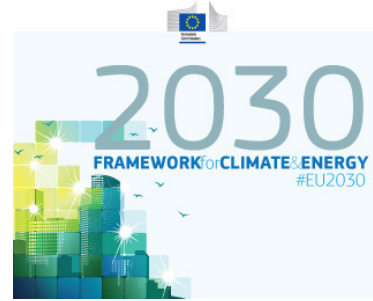
EU Energy and Climate Change

10 December

Commission refers Poland to the Court of Justice of the EU over poor air quality

12 December

Historic climate deal in Paris: EU leads global efforts



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