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Dear CLEER Community members,

Please find below the latest issue in the Centre's News service, collecting legal and policy developments from EU external policies in week 48 (25 November-1 December 2013).

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## EU Enlargement

### 27 November

EU loan agreements of EUR 273.8 million with Serbia for road rehabilitation and safety

### 29 November

EU Commission's fourth report on the post-visa liberalisation monitoring for the Western Balkan countries

## Eastern Partnership

### 25 November

The road towards the Eastern Partnership Summit in Vilnius (Overview by EP Library)

Joint statement by H. Van Rompuy and J. M. Barroso on Ukraine's decision to suspend preparations for EU association and trade agreement

EU Commission's Staff Working Document - progress report further to the Council's conclusions on customs cooperation with the Eastern Neighbouring countries

### 26 November

EU28 trade surplus with the Eastern Partnership countries up to 3.3 bn euro in the first half of 2013

Key MEPs warn Ukraine authorities not to use force against pro-Europe protestors

### 27 November

EU EGNOS safer landings scheme extended to Ukraine

### 28 November



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EU Commissioner for Enlargement presents in Vilnius Summit the Eastern Partnership challenges on the road ahead

Declaration of the 2nd Eastern Partnership Business Forum

EU-Ukraine Air Services Agreement initialed in Vilnius

### 29 November

Strategic agreements signed during the 3rd Eastern Partnership Summit

Joint Declaration of the 3rd Eastern Partnership Summit in Vilnius

EU-Azerbaijan agreement on facilitating the issuing of visas

## Trade and Investment

### 29 November

EU trade deal with Guatemala becomes operational

## Energy and Transport

### 25 November

Commission lifts ban on Georgian certified seafarers for EU vessels

Draft Council report: Follow-up to the European Council of 22 May 2013 - review of developments on the external dimension of the EU energy policy

## CFSP & CSDP

### 26 November

EP Iran delegation chair on the EU - Iran nuclear deal as a necessary step for cooperation

Council conclusions on Common Security and Defence Policy

'Eurasian Union' (Overview by EP Library)



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### 27 November

EU Police mission (EUPOL) in Afghanistan six-monthly report by the EU Committee for Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management

### 28 November

Summary record of the extraordinary meeting of the EP Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET)

Declaration by the High Representative C. Ashton on the establishment by China of an 'East China Sea Air Defence Identification Zone'

Judgments of the Court of Justice in Cases C-280/12 P and C-348/12 P: Restrictive measures against the Iran with the aim of preventing nuclear proliferation – Freezing of funds

## Development and cooperation

### 27 November

ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly: international aid must be more effective in Great Lakes region

Commissioner Georgieva assesses the first year of AGIR (the Global Alliance for Resilience Initiative) operation in Sahel region

EU Commission's report on EU Development Aid and the Millennium Development Goals



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## External Dimension of AFSJ

### 29 November

EUROSUR becomes operational protecting the Schengen external borders - protecting migrants' lives

European Commission grants € 5.6 million in emergency funding to Bulgaria to address the increased influx of asylum seekers



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## Human Rights

27 November





The EU's response to non-cooperation with the International Criminal Court by third states

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## EU - US

### 27 November

European Commission calls on the US to restore trust in EU-US data flows - Commission's line of action

EU Commission reports on TFTP and PNR agreements between EU and US

EU Parliament Civil Committee MEPs not convinced by positive reports of data exchange deals with the US



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## Events

### 5-7 December

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

### 6 December

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

### 9 December

The 28th Star. Challenges of the Croatian Accession to the EU and the European Future of Western Balkans (Conference organised by European University Institute, Florence, IT)

### 17 December

Incoherent, Ineffective and Unrealistic? Integrating the Western Balkans into the EU (Seminar organised by UACES, Brussels, Belgium)

### Call for Papers: Deadline 8 January 2014

The ENP in a Comparative Perspective: Key Challenges and Major Lessons (International conference organised by College of Europe on 20-21 March, Bruges, BE)

### 30-31 January

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

### 27-28 February

The Rule of Law: A Strategic Priority of the European Union's External Action (ROLA) (Conference organised by Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies, Leuven, BE)

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