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Please find below a double issue in the Centre's News service, collecting legal and policy developments from EU external policies in week 25-26 (17-30 June 2013).

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8-19 July

[Intensive Seminar on the EU](#) (Organised by College of Europe, Brugge, Belgium)

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