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* ***EU ENLARGEMENT***

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| **16 May** | Commissioner Füle to launch positive EU-Turkey agenda [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/12/358&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **21 May** | Barroso and Van Rompuy on the election of Nicolić as President of Serbia [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/12/361) Serbia country profile [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/candidate-countries/serbia/index_en.htm) |
| **22 May** | Commission Spring Report on Montenegro’s progress in the implementation of reforms [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/press_corner/whatsnew/news/120522_2_en.htm) |

* ***EUROPEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICY***

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| **14 May** | EU-Ukraine Association Agenda to prepare and facilitate the implementation of the Association Agreement [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st01/st01058.en12.pdf) |
| **15 May** | EU bolsters its support to reformers in its Southern and Eastern neighbourhoods [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/474&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **15 May** | Progress Report on implementation of the European Neighbourhood Policy [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/docs/2012_enp_pack/e_pship_regional_report_en.pdf) |
| **15 May** | Joined Commission/High Representative Communication ‘Delivering a new European Neighbourhood Policy’ [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/docs/2012_enp_pack/delivering_new_enp_en.pdf) |
| **15 May** | Joined Commission/High Representative Communication ‘Eastern Partnership: A Roadmap to the autumn 2013 Summit’ [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=JOIN:2012:0013:FIN:EN:PDF) |
| **21 May** | Commissioner Füle on European Neighbourhood Policy package [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/12/374&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **23 May** | Regional Report for Eastern Europe and Caucasus [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10258.en12.pdf) |
| **24 May** | European Parliament demands an end to selective justice in Ukraine [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/pressroom/content/20120523IPR45694/html/Parliament-demands-an-end-to-selective-justice-in-Ukraine) |

* ***TRADE AND INVESTMENT***

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| **14 May** | Commission Vice President Tajani on fostering economic ties with Mexico [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/12/326&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **14 May** | EU’s first Economic Partnership Agreement with an African region goes live [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/475&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **16 May** | Business cooperation enhancement between SMEs in Colombia and the EU [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/12/349&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **23 May** | MEPs take aim at China’s unfair trade practices [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/pressroom/content/20120523IPR45628/html/MEPs-take-aim-at-China's-unfair-trade-practices) |
| **23 May** | Restrictive measures on trade and investment by Argentina – explanatory note by Spain [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10327.en12.pdf) |
| **24 May** | EP calls for new EU-China partnership based on reciprocity and transparency [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/headlines/content/20120521STO45446/html/EP-calls-for-new-EU-China-partnership-based-on-reciprocity) |
| **24 May** | European Parliament urges Switzerland to cancel ‘discriminatory’ quotas on Eastern Europeans [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/pressroom/content/20120523IPR45697/html/MEPs-urge-Switzerland-to-cancel-discriminatory-quotas-on-Eastern-Europeans) |
| **24 May** | Commission Implementing Decision 2012/275/EU on the inclusion of vine varieties in Appendix IV of the Protocol on wine labeling as referred to in the EC-US Agreement on trade in wine [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:134:0023:0026:EN:PDF) |
| **24 May** | Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 440/2012 amending Implementing Regulation (EU) 439/2012 on Cape Verde exports of certain fisheries products under the scheme of generalised tariff preferences [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:135:0001:0003:EN:PDF) |
| **25 May** | EU challenges Argentina’s import restrictions at the WTO [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](https://webmail.ku.dk/OWA/) Questions and answers on EU’s challenge to Argentina’s import restrictions [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/12/376&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) EU-Argentina trade and investment statistics [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](https://webmail.ku.dk/OWA/) |
| **European Parliament Study** | The extraterritorial effects of legislation and policies in the EU and US by R. Dover, Dover and Jones Ltd, UK, and J. Frosini, Center for Constitutional Studies and Democratic Development, Italy [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/delegations/en/studiesdownload.html?languageDocument=EN&file=73891) |

* ***G8***

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| **18 May** | EU’s five key messages: Growth, open trade markets, food security, green growth and Southern Neighbourhood transitions [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/12/369&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **18 May** | EU supports G8 initiative for a ‘New Alliance’ to improve food security [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](https://webmail.ku.dk/OWA/) |

* ***AVIATION***

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| **15 May** | Decision No 1/2012 of the Joint EU/Switzerland Air Transport Committee replacing the Annex to the Agreement between the European Community and the Swiss Confederation on Air Transport [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:128:0014:0032:EN:PDF) |

* ***INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY***

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| **15 May** | 9th session of the WIPO Committee on Development and Intellectual Property [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10071.en12.pdf) |

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| **14 May** | Myanmar sanctions suspended [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/130188.pdf) Council Regulation (EU) No 409/2012 suspending certain restrictive measures laid down in respect of Myanmar [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:126:0001:0002:EN:PDF) |
| **14 May** | Council strengthens EU’s Syria sanctions once more [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/130205.pdf) Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 410/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:126:0003:0005:EN:PDF) |

* ***CSDP***

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| **16 May** | Political and Security Committee Decision Atalanta/1/2012 on the appointment of an EU force commander for the EU military operation [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st09/st09444.en12.pdf) |
| **21 May** | Commission: Main messages at the NATO summit in Chicago [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](https://webmail.ku.dk/OWA/) |
| **European Defence Agency** | European Defence Matters, Issue 01 May-July 2012 [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.eda.europa.eu/Libraries/Brochures/EDMIssue1.sflb.ashx) |

* ***DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION***

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| **14 May** | Annual Report 2012 on EU development aid targets, Council Conclusions [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/130239.pdf) |
| **14 May** | Council agenda for increasing impact of EU development policy [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/130243.pdf) Council future approach to EU budget support to third countries [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/130241.pdf) |
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| **14 May** | European Parliament on the EU 2011 Report on policy coherence for development [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/RegData/commissions/deve/document_travail/2012/489501/DEVE_DT(2012)489501_EN.pdf) |
| **21 May** | Commission boosts humanitarian help to Yemen with €5 million [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/494&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **21 May** | Association Agreement between the EU and Central America [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/11/st16/st16396.en11.pdf) |
| **21 May** | European Investment Bank to fund key Zambian electricity link [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.eib.org/projects/press/2012/2012-065-european-investment-bank-to-fund-key-zambian-electricity-link.htm?media=rss&language=en) |
| **24 May** | European Parliament: No EU cash for undemocratic neighbours [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/news/en/pressroom/content/20120523IPR45693/html/No-EU-cash-for-undemocratic-neighbours) |
| **European Parliament Study** | ‘A coherent EU strategy for the Sahel’ by L. Simon, A. Mattelaer and A. Hadfield, Institute for European Studies, Vrije Universiteit Brussel [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/delegations/en/studiesdownload.html?languageDocument=EN&file=73859) |
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| **15 May** | Frontex: Western Balkans Annual Risk Analysis 2012 [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.frontex.europa.eu/assets/Publications/Risk_Analysis/WB_ARA_2012.pdf) |
| **16 May** | Frontex annual Risk Assessment 2012 [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10002.en12.pdf) |
| **16 May** | Commission carries out the first Schengen ‘health check’ [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/481&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) Full Commission Report on the functioning of the Schengen area [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=COM:2012:0230:FIN:EN:PDF) |
| **24 May** | Commission Implementing Decision 2012/274/EU determining the second set of regions for the start of operations of the Visa Information System [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:134:0020:0022:EN:PDF) |

* ***EU – UN***

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| **23 May** | EU medium-term priorities at the UN (2012-2015) [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st09/st09820-re01.en12.pdf) |

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| **16 May** | High Representative Ashton appoints 17 new Heads and Deputy Heads of Delegation [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/12/489&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |

* ***Common RELEX Information System (CRIS)***

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| **European Court of Auditors** | Special Report No 5/2012 on the Common External Relations Information System (CRIS) [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st09/st09935.en12.pdf) |

* ***EU – ASIA***

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| **21 May** | Country Report on Iran [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10115.en12.pdf) |
| **22 May** | Regional Report on South East Asia and China [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10179.en12.pdf) |
| **23 May** | Regional Report on Central Asia [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/12/st10/st10291.en12.pdf) |

* ***EU – CHILE***

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| **22 May** | Opinion of the Economic and Social Committee ‘The role of civil society in relations between the EU and Chile’ [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:C:2012:143:0141:0145:EN:PDF) |

* ***EVENTS***

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| **30 May -**  **2 June** | ‘XXV Congress of the International Federation for European Law (FIDE)’, Congress organised by Estonian Association for European Law of the Estonian Lawyers Association, Tallinn, Estonia [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.fide2012.eu/Organising+committee/id/66/) |
| **7 June** | ‘The EU and the BRICs in the Wake of the Eurozone Crisis’, Conference organised by the Aston Centre for Europe, Birmingham, UK [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www1.aston.ac.uk/lss/research/centres-institutes/aston-centre-europe/) |
| **8-9 June** | ‘A Europe of Rights: the EU and the ECHR’, Workshop organised by Surrey School of Law and the Surrey European Law Unit (SELU), Guildford, UK [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.uaces.org/events/calendar/event.php?recordID=578) |
| **11-12 June** | ‘Improving Member States Asylum Systems and Defining Good Practices’, Seminar organised by European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA), Valletta, Malta [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://seminars.eipa.eu/en/activities09/show/&tid=4928) |
| **19 June** | ‘Legal Approximation and Application of EU law in the Eastern Neighbourhood of the European Union: Towards a Common Regulatory Space?’, Conference organised by Ghent University, Ghent, BE [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.asser.nl/events.aspx?id=299) |
| **21-22 June** | ‘Trade liberalisation and standardisation – new directions in the ‘low politics’ of EU foreign relations’, Joint conference by the European University Institute (EUI) and CLEER, Florence, IT [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.asser.nl/events.aspx?id=307) |

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