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* ***WIDER EUROPE***

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| **17 May** | Presidency Conclusions of the Ministerial Dialogue between the Economic and Finance Ministers of the EU and the Candidate Countries [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/11/st09/st09654-re01.en11.pdf) |
| **20 May** | Commission President Barroso’s statement following his meeting with PM Thaçi [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/11/360) |
| **22 May** | HR Ashton opens European Union office in Benghazi [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/122140.pdf) |
| **23 May** | Council Conclusions on Middle East Peace Process [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/servlet/driver?lang=EN&typ=Advanced&cmsid=639&ii_PUBLIC_DOC=%3e0&ff_COTE_DOCUMENT=&ff_COTE_DOSSIER_INST=&ff_TITRE=&ff_FT_TEXT=&ff_SOUS_COTE_MATIERE=&dd_DATE_DOCUMENT=23-05-2011:24-05-2011&dd_DATE_REUNION=&fc=REGAISEN&s) |
| **23 May** | Council conclusions on Syria [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.consilium.europa.eu/uedocs/cms_data/docs/pressdata/EN/foraff/122168.pdf) |
| **23 May** | EU strengthens restrictive measures against Libya [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=PRES/11/149&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
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| **24 May** | Southern Mediterranean: towards a new era of dialogue and partnership [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/330) |
| **25 May** | A new and ambitious ENP [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/world/enp/pdf/com_11_303_en.pdf) |
| **25 May** | Commission President Barroso: a concrete response to the Arab Spring [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/340) |
| **25 May** | Commissioner Füle on ENP review [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/11/383&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **26 May** | HR Ashton’s remarks at press conference with President Tadic [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=SPEECH/11/391&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **27 May** | MFA Martonyi: Croatia’s accession basically settled [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.eu2011.hu/news/martonyi-croatia%E2%80%99s-accession-basically-settled) |

* ***TRADE***

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| **24 May** | EU-Mercosur: Paraguayan President discusses stalled negotiations with MEPs [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/en/pressroom/content/20110523IPR19958/html/EU-Mercosur-Paraguayan-President-discusses-stalled-negotiations-with-MEPs) |
| **EP document** | Reform of Generalised System of Preferences [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/activities/committees/studies/download.do?language=en&file=36475) |

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| **23 May** | Council conclusions: Pooling and Sharing of Military Capabilities [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://register.consilium.europa.eu/pdf/en/11/st10/st10619.en11.pdf) |

* ***DEVELOPMENT AND COOPERATION***

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| **19 May** | Council Conclusions on the mid-term review of the European Consensus on Humanitarian Aid Action Plan [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](file:///C:\Users\e.nadova\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\Word\Council%20Conclusions%20on%20the%20mid-term%20review%20of%20the%20European%20Consensus%20on%20Humanitarian%20Aid%20Action%20Plan%20–%20implementing%20effective,%20principled%20EU%20humanitarian%20action) |
| **23 May** | South Sudan: Commission welcomes the Council's decision to provide €200 million to support a sustainable and peaceful creation of the new state [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/628&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **23 May** | Europe boosts its humanitarian aid in the Libyan crisis [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/11/621&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
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| **25 May** | **Special Report: “The efficiency and effectiveness of EU contributions channelled through United Nations Organisations in conflict-affected countries”** [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://eca.europa.eu/portal/pls/portal/docs/1/7800726.PDF) |
| **26 May** | EIB steps up support for the democratic transition by increasing its financing in the Mediterranean [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=BEI/11/68&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
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* ***EXTERNAL DIMENSION OF AFSJ***

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| **20 May** | Poseidon 2011: Migrants smugglers open fire on border guards[ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.frontex.europa.eu/newsroom/news_releases/art109.html) |
| **24 May** | EU Visa policy: ensuring legal certainty and preventing abuse [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/328) |
| **24 May** | EU migration and asylum policies: main achievements and the way ahead [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/329&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |
| **24 May** | A credible, fair and effective EU migration policy: the way forward [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://ec.europa.eu/home-affairs/news/intro/news_intro_en.htm#20110524) |
| **EP document** | The EU Internal Security Strategy, the EU Policy Cycle and the Role of (AFSJ) Agencies [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.europarl.europa.eu/activities/committees/studies/download.do?language=en&file=36591) |
| **judgment** | C-61/11 PPU, Hassen El Dridi, alias Soufi Karim  (return of illegally staying third-country nationals) [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://curia.europa.eu/jurisp/cgi-bin/form.pl?lang=en&newform=newform&Submit=Submit&alljur=alljur&jurcdj=jurcdj&jurtpi=jurtpi&jurtfp=jurtfp&alldocrec=alldocrec&docj=docj&docor=docor&docdecision=docdecision&docop=docop&docppoag=docppoag&docav=docav&docsom=docsom&docinf=docinf&alldocnorec=alldocnorec&docnoj=docnoj&docnoor=docnoor&radtypeord=on&typeord=ALL&docnodecision=docnodecision&allcommjo=allcommjo&affint=affint&affclose=affclose&numaff=c-61/11&ddatefs=&mdatefs=&ydatefs=&ddatefe=&mdatefe=&ydatefe=&nomusuel=&domaine=&mots=&resmax=100) |

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| **27 May** | G8 Summit in Deauville: Joint statement of European Council President Van Rompuy and European Commission President Barroso [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=MEMO/11/353&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en) |

* ***VACANCIES & EVENTS***

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| **25 June** | STATEWATCHING EUROPE : Civil liberties, the state and the EU. European Conference marking Statewatch’s 20th anniversary in London, UK [ArticlesIcon1.jpg](http://www.statewatch.org/conference/conference.pdf) |

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