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TOPICS IN FOCUS

Trilateral dialogue - motivation for Bosnia and Herzegovina to keep on working

The Second round of the trilateral dialogue between BiH, Croatia and European Commission was completed in Brussels on 15 February, with encouraging news for BiH - but a clear requirement for action on a number of issues.

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50 million macro-financial assistance available to BiH

By adopting its Global Fiscal Framework, BiH received the key that opened the door to 50 million EUR - the first part of the loan obtained from the EU intended to aid budgets in this country. It will be up to the authorities on the state and entity levels to decide whether they direct the 'steering wheel' in the direction of economic growth and achieve greater speed on the road to European integration.

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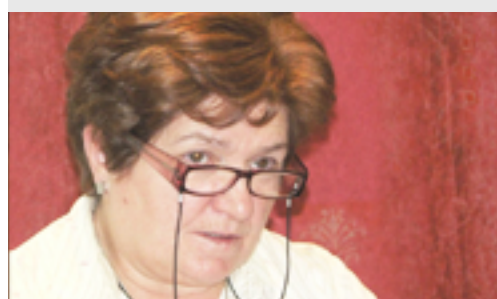
We want Bosnia and Herzegovina to join the European Union

Head of Delegation in BiH and EU Special Representative in BiH, Ambassador Peter Sorensen was a guest on the television station TV1. In his remarks, he said that the EU is involved in resolving implementation issues of the Sejdic-Finci ruling, and that the EU is ready to help political leaders to fulfil their commitments. "We are committed to the future of Bosnia and Herzegovina into the EU. We want Bosnia to join the EU," emphasized Ambassador Sorensen.

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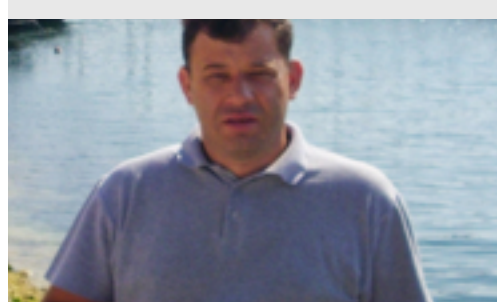
What is your opinion on BiH's EU perspective?



Enisa Rakovic
from Bihac



Murisa Maric
from Prijedor



Cedomir Coric
from Derventa

EU PROJECTS

"This is the EU" public information video-clips started

Mutual co-operation for more effective law enforcement in BiH

European identity in focus in Bojan Breclj's photo exhibition - and interview with the artist

EU NEWS IN FOCUS



Maintaining momentum for EU enlargement

In a joint article of Irish Minister of State for European Affairs Lucinda Creighton and Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy Stefan Fule, read more about the enlargement as a key policy of the EU that can contribute to solving the problems in Europe and the openness of European integration which represent the best perspective for the Western Balkans.

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European Union and United States to launch negotiations for a Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership

The EU and US have decided to take their economic relationship to a higher level by agreeing to launch negotiations for a comprehensive trade and investment agreement. When negotiations are completed, this EU-US agreement will be the biggest bilateral trade deal ever negotiated - and it could add 0.5% to the EU's annual economic output.

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