

# The European Perspective

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## IN FOCUS

### EU disappointment on lack of progress on Sejdic-Finci implementation



European Commissioner for Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy, Štefan Füle, visited Sarajevo on 17 February to continue efforts to help BiH political leaders to find an agreement needed to move BiH forward on its EU integration path. Unfortunately after hours of talks, the meeting with the leaders failed to produce an agreement on the implementation of the judgement in the case 'Sejdic and Finci vs Bosnia and Herzegovina'. [More...](#)

### Regional Co-operation Council is a key supporter of EU enlargement process



The Secretary General of the Regional Cooperation Council, Goran Svilanovic, addressed the ambassadors of EU Member States to BiH and ambassadors from South-East Europe (SEE) Candidate Countries (former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey – which are also RCC participating States) at a Thematic Meeting on Regional Cooperation in SEE, in Sarajevo on 4 February. [More...](#)

### EU Project on education standards: European experts present recommendations



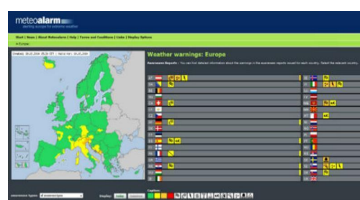
The presentation of recommendations relating to the compliance of quality assurance in education with EU standards and guidelines took place on 26 February. It is the first component of the project "Strengthening Institutional Capacity for Quality Assurance", which represents a twinning partnership between BiH and Austria, funded by the EU under (IPA 2011) with an overall budget of 1 million Euro. [More...](#)

## EU PROJECTS



### Regional conference on the importance of development of innovations in BiH

Regional conference "Institutions and innovation support measures" was held on 14 February in Banja Luka. The conference was organised by the EU funded project "Institutional capacity development of the three innovation centres and research sector in Bosnia and Herzegovina (INOVO)", Ministry of Science and Technology of Republika Srpska and Innovation Centre Banja Luka (ICBL).



### Bosnia and Herzegovina included in the MeteoAlarm system

As of 19 February, Bosnia and Herzegovina is included in the official web page of the MeteoAlarm. MeteoAlarm is a system which gives timely warnings about potentially dangerous weather conditions for 650 regions for 12 different conditions issued by hydro-meteorological services from 34 European countries.

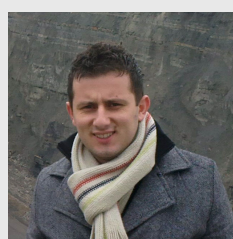


### More news reports to bring more EU information to BiH's citizens

The Office of the European Union Special Representative (EUSR) in partnership with all the public broadcasters in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) and a group of news web portals across the country have launched a special programme of media reports that aims to inform citizens of the country about the impact of the European integration process on issues of topical interest and quality of life, today and in the future.

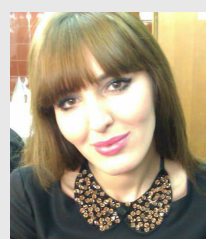
## VOX POPULI

How relevant is the Erasmus Mundus study programme for young people in BiH?



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## EU NEWS



### Progress of FYROM, Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina in 2013

EU leaders must show more commitment to Bosnia and Herzegovina, set a date for starting EU accession talks with the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and continue the talks with Montenegro, provided reforms are sustained, said MEPs in resolutions passed on 6 February.



### Investing in the Western Balkans

The EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development) organised a high-level regional forum on Investing in the West Balkans on Monday 24 February 2014. The event brought together prime ministers, government ministers, political decision-makers and leading entrepreneurs.

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