

# The European Perspective

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## IN FOCUS

### Banja Luka saw largest employment fair yet; hundreds of job offers and thousands of visitors from across BiH



Over 10,000 people had a chance on March 20 to meet with almost 150 exhibitors at the 'Education and Jobs Fair: Learn – Explore – Network' organised in Banja Luka under the auspices of the Office of the European Union Special Representative and the Royal Norwegian Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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### Successful launch of BiH edition of 'The unconscious witness' by renowned Italian author Gianrico Carofiglio at the EU Info Centre

The BiH edition of the book 'The unconscious witness' by one of the bestselling Italian authors, Gianrico Carofiglio, was promoted on March 19 at an event organised by the EU Info Centre in collaboration with the Association for the Promotion of Italian Culture Dante Alighieri and the Italian Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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### Council conclusions on Bosnia and Herzegovina

The Council notes that the necessary conditions contained therein have been met and agrees to proceed with the conclusion and entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement with Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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### EU Floods Recovery Programme expands – educational institutions to be rehabilitated increases from 90 to 109; communal infrastructure projects from 100 to 130

The number of educational institutions (kindergartens and schools) to be rehabilitated by the EU Floods Recovery Programme has been increased from the initially planned 90 to 109, hence allowing more children, teachers and parents to benefit from rehabilitated learning facilities across the flood-affected areas in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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## EU PROJECTS



### Better cooperation and output of government General Secretariats in BiH as a result of EU funded project

The outcomes and results of the two-year project: "Development of central bodies of governments in BiH," including an outline of further steps that need to be taken, were presented on March 23 at the final conference in Hotel Europe in Sarajevo.



### Steering Board of the project „Support to durable solutions of Revised Annex VII Dayton Peace Agreement Implementation Strategy” established

A meeting of the Steering Board of the project "Support to durable solutions of Revised Annex VII Dayton Peace Agreement Implementation Strategy," comprising representatives of the Delegation of the European Union to BiH, UNHCR and the Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees, was held on March 5 in Sarajevo.

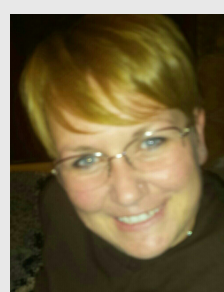


### EU award for investigative journalism in Bosnia and Herzegovina launched

The EU Investigative Journalism Award was presented at the EU Info Centre in Sarajevo on March 24. This is the first regional award for investigative stories that will, with the support of the European Union, be awarded in the Western Balkans and Turkey between 2015 and 2017.

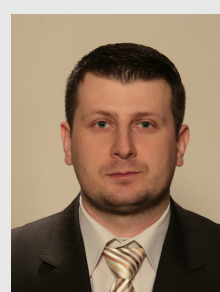
## VOX POPULI

The "Education and Jobs Fair: Learn – Explore – Network" co-organised by the Office of the European Union Special Representative and the Royal Norwegian Embassy in BiH was held in Banja Luka in March. What other actions do you think need to be undertaken, especially by BiH authorities, to help people find the right job for them?



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## EU NEWS



### Applications are open for the Future Leaders Programme

You should apply for the Future Leaders Programme to win an invitation to the 2015 edition of European Development Days (EDD15) and speak about issues you are passionate about, alongside world leaders!



### Photo contest: Our Future is on the Table!

The six talented finalists of the EDD15 Photo Contest will be invited to attend Europe's largest development forum, European Development Days 2015 on 3 & 4 June where their photos will be exhibited and they will have the opportunity to meet key actors in development and share their ideas for our future!

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