

NEWSLETTER

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Launch of the 17th edition of EuropaSecura | New Café Evropa podcast

Welcome to the first newsletter of February!

Over the past 14 days of EUROPEUM Institute's work, our experts have appeared frequently in the media, mostly in response to the surprising outcome of the summit on the approval of financial support for Ukraine. See for example the interview with Vít Havelka for CNN Prima news or Martin Vokálek's commentary on ČT24. Other media mentions relate to the attractiveness of the European elections, the "Orbanization" of Slovakia or ANO's tactics in the European elections.

Applications are now open for the 17th edition of the EuropaSecura competition, which is open to all secondary school students who are interested in current affairs and international events, want to broaden their knowledge and experience something unforgettable.

The eighth episode of the Café Evropa podcast has also been released, this time on the topic of the EU internal market with guest Milena Jabůrková, Vice President of the Confederation of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic. Read more about the podcast later in the newsletter.

Regards,

EUROPEUM Institute team

The EuropaSecura competition is now open!

For all those interested in current affairs and international events who want to expand their knowledge and experience something unforgettable, we have opened the application process for the 17th edition of the **EuropaSecura** competition for high school students. Form a team of three and take part in this unique multi-round competition. Test your knowledge in a test, take on the role of security experts and experience an unforgettable week-long workshop with the Czech Army and experts in international politics.

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Publications



BLOG | Belgium's 2024 elections: Navigating Flemish nationalism amidst European challenges

Belgium is preparing for European elections this year, as well as voting for the federal and regional parliaments. This arrangement is not new in Belgium, but it may make it difficult for voters to distinguish between the different electoral campaigns. Growing Flemish nationalism may also bring complications. Nicolas Rouillard discusses these issues in his new blog.

[Read blog](#)



Policy Paper | Enhancing Governance, Stakeholder Involvement, and Communication in Czech Recovery Planning: Strategic Lessons for Ukraine

Can Ukraine learn lessons from the Czech approach to the recovery plan? Alina Boiko's text focuses on the Czech implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Plan, which could help the Ukrainian authorities improve their ability to implement the new policy principles.

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Café Evropa podcast



#8 - The EU Internal Market - What benefits does it bring to the Czech Republic?

In the eighth episode of the Café Evropa podcast, our guest Milena Jabůrková, Vice President of the Confederation of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic discussed the benefits of the EU internal market for the Czech Republic. Find out what exactly the market entails, why it was created and what challenges await it in the future.

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In the media

- CNN Prima News | Orban backs down, EU to help Ukraine ([Vít Havelka](#))
- ČT24 | European leaders on aid to Ukraine ([Martin Vokálek](#))
- Euractiv | European Council approves financial package for Ukraine as part of its budget ([Žiža Faktor](#))
- deník.cz | PODCAST: Campaigning before the EU elections? ANO's bet on migration makes no sense, says Daněk ([Viktor Daněk](#))
- iDnes.cz | COMMENTARY: Quartet on the European budget - it is useless, isn't it ([Vít Havelka](#))
- E15 | Fico is "orbanising" Slovakia faster than expected. Presidential elections are the hope ([Kristína Chlebáková](#))
- Právo | European Council chief Michel makes a mockery of himself with a U-turn ([Viktor Daněk](#))
- TV Nova | How to make EU elections more attractive in the Czech Republic ([Martin Vokálek](#))



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