



NEWSLETTER

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Ursula von der Leyen's State of the Union speech and reactions to it

Welcome to the first September newsletter!

On Wednesday, 8 September, the President of the European Commission delivered her closely watched **State of the Union speech**. You can find a record of her talk on the [Café Evropa](#) facebook page. Our analysts assessed Ursula von der Leyen's speech [in media](#) and evaluated her tenure and achievements.

The **DezinfoCzech project** will continue in September, this time bringing the topic of migration and analyzing misinformation associated with refugees from Ukraine and other countries. Every month until December you will find a new topic in the newsletter related to disinformation.

We look forward to seeing you in the next newsletter.

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Report | From Vilnius and Beyond: Unraveling the Strategic Potential of NATO's Nordic and Central Eastern European Allies

Our research fellow Danielle Piatkiewicz has worked with the Global Policy Research Group on a report on the position of the countries of Northern, Central and Eastern Europe within NATO. You can read the full report in English [here](#).



BLOG | Does Türkiye play well-calculated chess moves on the Western board?

In her blog, Nilsu Eledağ describes Turkey's role in Sweden's NATO membership decision and discusses concerns about terrorism and anti-Islamist movements. You can read the complete blog in English [here](#).

Invitation: Parliament for the Future of Europe

The Forum 2000 Foundation cordially invites you to participate in the **Parliament for the Future of Europe** project, which will take place on **October 15, 2023 in Prague**.

Our aim in this project is to bring a diverse group of people interested in European affairs to the center of the debate. With our six partners, we are convening participants from across Europe to discuss and review the proposals of the historic Conference on the Future of Europe and to reshape them to be more inclusive and responsive to the needs of vulnerable communities.

If you are interested in a full day program where you can meet a range of interesting people, discuss the future of the European Union and learn from experts, please feel free to register via this link: <https://forms.gle/5y6Dc1wHUD4XGGeT8> . We will send you more detailed information after registration.

Refreshments will be available during the program. Please note that places are limited and on a first-come, first-served basis. The entire program and communication will be in English.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Veronika Skoupá at veronika.skoupa@forum2000.cz.





Articles and publications

- Report | From Vilnius and Beyond: Unraveling the Strategic Potential of NATO's Nordic and Central Eastern European Allies ([Danielle Piatkiewicz](#))
- BLOG | Does Türkiye play well-calculated chess moves on the Western board? ([Nilsu Eledağ](#))
- BLOG | How can the EU boost the implementation of the Franco-German Proposal? A turning point for Kosovo-Serbia normalisation process ([Costanza Celoria](#))

In the media

- EURACTIV: European cities face heatwaves. How are they combating it and what can the Czech Republic learn? ([Katarína Svitková](#))
- Deník N: More aid to Ukraine, EU enlargement and Chinese electric cars. European Commission chief unveils her plans for next year ([Vít Havelka](#))
- RTVS: Review of Ursula von der Leyen's latest State of the Union speech ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- ČT24: Under Ursula von der Leyen's leadership, the European Commission has succeeded in meeting more than ninety percent of its priorities ([Klára Votavová](#))
- EURACTIV | Sánchez's resigned government will probably manage the EU presidency, betting on small ambitions ([Jana Juzová](#))
- Deník N: Turning East, breaking off cooperation. How Slovakia's elections could change the direction of the country ([Kristína Chlebáková](#))
- ČRo Plus: European Union increases commitment to renewable energy growth ([Kateřina Davidová](#))
- ČT24: How did the European commission under Ursula von der Leyen's leadership manage to overcome crises? ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- ČRo Plus: Proposal for a radical reform of the functioning of the European Union ([Žiga Faktor](#))
- ČRo Plus: Debate on future enlargement stirs Brussels ([Jana Juzová](#))
- ČRo Plus: What outlook does North Macedonia have for joining the European Union? ([Žiga Faktor](#))

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