

Meeting of the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi with the new European Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn

At the premises of the Secretariat for European Affairs, the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi met the Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Johannes Hahn.

At the meeting special emphasis was put on the efforts of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia in order to implement the reforms necessary for successful realisation of the EU integration process of our country, and the status of implementation of IPA. The Deputy Prime Minister Besimi referred to the need of continuation of the High Level Accession Dialogue, in order to maintain the momentum in the reform process and to achieve inclusiveness through political dialogue and involvement of stakeholders, which will contribute to the credibility of the process of European integration of the Republic Macedonia.

February 17, 2015

Besimi in Washington: The Euro-Atlantic integration as a solution for the challenges of the Balkans

During the visit of the USA, the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi attended the Prayer Breakfast, attended by the president of the USA Barack Obama and many other leaders and officials from all around the world.

During the visit, Besimi met Hoyt Brian Yee, Deputy Assistant Secretary for European and Eurasian Affairs, Samantha Smith, director for the Balkans, Black Sea and Caucasus at the White House National Security Council and U.S. Congressman Eliot Engel.

Within the meetings, they exchanged views as regards the efforts and achievements of the Government of the Republic of Macedonia in view of EU integration reform process, as well as the need to accelerate the integration process and to overcome the longstanding name dispute.

During the visit, the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi participated in a discussion on the subject "Macedonia: Can it join the EU?" moderated by U.S. analyst Daniel Serwer, held at Johns Hopkins University.

February 4, 2015

The new Ambassador Jess Baily on a meeting at the Secretariat for European Affairs

During the first meeting with the new U.S. Ambassador to the Republic of Macedonia, H.E.Jess Baily, the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi wished him successful work during his mandate.

The process of European integration of the Republic of Macedonia and the key achievements and challenges the country faces in order to overcome them and achieve further progress in the next period were the topics discussed during the meeting. The bilateral cooperation between the two countries was also discussed, whereby the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi emphasised the importance of the support by the United States of America to the Republic of Macedonia in the process of accession to the European Union.

February 20, 2015

SEA ANNOUNCES DEBATE CYCLE: EU TALKS

"EU remains our priority"

The Youth for the EU

Sixth simulation of the Model European Parliament held

In organisation of the International Schools "Nova", and supported by the EU Info Centre, the City of Skopje and SEA, the final event of the sixth simulation of the Model European Parliament was held in Skopje, where the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi, H.E. Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain, Mr Carranza and the Director of the International Schools "Nova", Mr. Novakovski had their addresses.

The Model European Parliament was attended by 80 students and 20 teachers from 20 secondary schools in the Republic of Macedonia. The best five delegates of the simulation will have the opportunity to participate on the International session "Model European Parliament".

February 23, 2015

Pupils visiting the Secretariat for European Affairs

The Secretariat for European Affairs hosted today a group of pupils from the Quality Schools International at the age of 11 to 17 years coming from different countries, but living together with their families in Macedonia.

The pupils met the Deputy Prime Minister Besimi, where they had the opportunity to discuss the European aspirations of the Republic of Macedonia, the importance and challenges that the country faces in the process of integration and other issues of their interest.

February 27, 2015

IPA Projects

Twinning project "Improvement of services of the Public Revenue Office to taxpayers"

Funded by: European Union, IPA 2010 / I TAIB

Project Goal: Improvement of the administrative and institutional capacities of PRO in providing services to taxpayers and improving the voluntary compliance and payment of taxes.

Duration: 24 months

Total value: 800.000 EUR more

IPA Twinning Project "Support for effective prevention and fight against corruption"

The project is implemented by the Federal Office of Administration of Germany with the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption.

Funded by: European Union, IPA 2010

Project Goal: To achieve effective implementation of the anti-corruption policies and to promote good governance and rule of law in the country.

Duration: 24 months

Total value: EUR 1.42 million more