



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### HONG KONG

#### "Speak Dating"

#### European Day of Languages 2015

25 September: 2 - 7pm  
Venue: Festival Walk,  
Kowloon Tong

#### UN Peace Writing Competition 2015

Entry deadline: 4  
September

高級代表訪問馬來西亞以促進歐盟與東南亞國家聯盟的關係

HR/VP visits Malaysia to step up EU engagement with ASEAN



On 5 August, High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Federica Mogherini travelled to Malaysia to attend the ASEAN Regional Forum's annual Ministerial Meeting, and Co-Chair the EU-ASEAN Post Ministerial Conference. The EU aims to improve cooperation with ASEAN not only on trade and economy but also on security. HR/VP also met the Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi to discuss the Iran Deal and other common issues.

- [Press release](#)
- [Joint communication of the EU and ASEAN \(PDF\)](#)
- [Council conclusions on EU-ASEAN relations](#)
- [Factsheet on ARF](#)

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歐洲研究理事會歡迎香港代表團

European Research Council welcomes Hong Kong delegation



On 30 July, the European Research Council (ERC) met with Hong Kong Secretary for Education Mr. Eddie Ng and a delegation from the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, and the Research Grants Council of Hong Kong. ERC President Jean-Pierre Bourguignon gave them a short introduction to the mission and work of the ERC. More detailed presentations and discussions that followed covered a wide range of issues from the overall structure of the ERC, international cooperation, and funding.

- [ERC website](#)

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### [2015春季「歐洲晴雨表」標準調查](#) [Spring 2015 Standard Eurobarometer](#)



The latest Standard Eurobarometer survey was published on 31 July. More Europeans say they have a positive image of the European Union and trust in the EU increased. In addition, citizens see immigration as the major challenge currently facing the EU. On the economy, the expectations of Europeans for the national economic situation are improving and their support for the euro remains stable.

- [Press release](#)
- [Direct download \(PDF\)](#)

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### [2015性別平等指數](#) [Gender Equality Index 2015](#)



The Gender Equality Index 2015 of the European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) measures the progress of gender equality in the EU and its Member States. It shows that men's over-representation in decision-making positions remains prevalent in all Member States. The unequal division of unpaid work between women and men in the private sphere remains the greatest barrier to gender equality.

- [Press release](#)
- [Estimation of girls at risk of female genital mutilation in the EU](#)

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### [2015和平寫作比賽](#) [UN Peace Writing Competition 2015](#)



In the upcoming UN international Day of Peace, celebrating the United Nations 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary, the Peace International Foundation, with the support of the EU Office, is organising a Peace Writing Competition. The competition is open to submissions from all primary and secondary students in Hong Kong. The chosen theme for the 2015 International Day of Peace is "Partnerships for Peace – Dignity for All". The entry deadline for participants is 4 September, 2015.

- [Details of Peace Writing Competition](#)
- [Sign-up form](#)

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### 臉書上的捷克週

### Facebook the Czech Republic week



This week we are presenting the Czech Republic with some holiday fun facts. The Czech Republic is a landlocked country in Central Europe and became a separate state in 1993.

For more details about this country please visit our Facebook page.

- [EUO's Facebook page](#)
- [Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Hong Kong & Macau's Facebook Page](#)
- [Consulate General of the Czech Republic in Hong Kong's Website](#)

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### 刊物Publication: Justice, fundamental rights and equality



If you are interested in knowing more about the EU's justice, fundamental rights and equality, here is a publication for you.

The EU aims to build a European area of justice. The EU strives to strengthen mutual trust between courts and administrations of EU countries, and to harmonise rules across the EU.

- [Publication details](#)
- [Direct download \(PDF\)](#)

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