

9th MAY 2014 EUROPE DAY EUROPE IN THE WORLD



Latin America

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela.

Priorities

EU policy priorities towards Latin America focus on:

- Deepening political dialogue.
- Deepening mutually beneficial trade and investment ties.
- Supporting regional integration, while also furthering closer bilateral relations with individual Latin American countries.
- Supporting the region's efforts to reduce poverty and inequality and to pursue sustainable development, in line with the EU's Agenda for Change.
 - Increased dialogue on macro-economic and financial issues, environment and energy or science and research, intensifying our cooperation in these fields.
 - Adapting cooperation programs to cover innovative areas not addressed by traditional development cooperation.
- Involving civil society in the Strategic Partnership including through the EU-LAC Foundation.

Did you know?

The 26-27 January 2013 took place in Santiago de Chile the 1st EU-CELAC Summit (7th EU-LAC Summit) to address "an Alliance for Sustainable Development to Promote Investments of Social and Environmental Quality".

Despite the economic situation, in 2011, the EU foreign direct investment flows to LAC amounted to more than \$153 billion, 28% more than in 2010, a new historic record and higher than the foreign direct investment of Russia, China and India combined.

Both regions represent more than 1 billion people, 1/3 of the UN countries and ¼ of the world's overall GDP.

Top 3 Facts

The EU is the leading foreign investor in Latin America and the Caribbean accounting €385 billion of FDI stock in 2010, representing 43% of the region's total FDI.

The EU is the second trade partner for the region. EU-Latin America trade in goods more than doubled over the last decade –up to €202 billion– (6.3% of total EU trade and 13% of Latin America trade).

The EU is the leading donor in the region. For the 2007-2013 period, EU assistance has amounted to almost €3 billion and the European Investment Bank is authorized to lend up to €2.8 billion.

EU-Brazil:

President Barroso, President of Brazil Dilma Rousseff & President Van Rompuy, January 2014.



Official visit to Peru:

HRVP Cathy Ashton.



EU - Chile:

Framework Agreement signed by EEAS Secretary General Pierre Vimont and the Chilean Ambassador to the European Union, Carlos Appelgren Balbontin.



Family Picture :

MFAs meeting at EU-CELAC Summit in Santiago de Chile.



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Main links:

Links to sub-regions:

http://eeas.europa.eu/ca/index_en.htm

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http://eeas.europa.eu/mercosur/index_en.htm

Links to the Country & Delegations website pages:

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