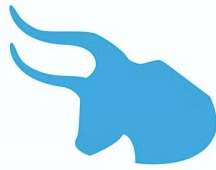
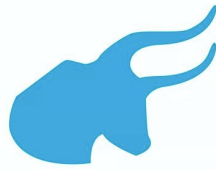


The Bulletin



Armenian journalist Viktorya Muradyan recounts the tragic state of her country in this week's top story.



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ARMENIA LEFT ALONE IN ITS SUFFERING ONCE AGAIN

BY FRYDERYK LACHAISE

AFTER A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK AT MOLDOVAN POLITICS, WE CONTINUE OUR SERIES OF INTERVIEWS ON THE EASTERN PARTNERSHIP WITH A UNIQUE TALK ABOUT THE TRAGIC EVENTS IN ARMENIA. OUR INTERLOCUTOR, VIKTORIYA MURADYAN, IS AN ARMENIAN JOURNALIST AND RESEARCHER.

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EU VACCINE PASSPORTS

BY JAKOB WEIZMAN

Last week, both Sweden and Denmark announced that they would begin developing digital vaccine certificates which can be used for travel, in addition to being able to allow people to attend events.

This course of action follows after Iceland, who became the first EU member state to provide COVID-19 vaccination certificates to citizens that received both doses of the vaccine.

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A STAINED LOVE

By Annika Pietrus

On the 30th of December, China and the European Union concluded negotiations on the Comprehensive Agreement on Investment (CAI). While celebrated as an important step to create a more level playing field for European investors in China, it is highly critiqued by European lawmakers, the international media, human rights groups and the current US administration



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GEORGIA: A EUROPEAN HOPE IN THE CAUCASUS?

By Maria Popczyk

After discussing Armenia's situation, we continue our series of interviews on the Eastern Partnership with a talk on another Caucasian country, Georgia.

We have the pleasure to interview Irina Mugdusi from Tbilisi.



Economy & Trade

EUROPE: THE WORLD'S NEXT BIG SHORT SQUEEZE?



BY DEVIN SEAN MARTIN

GameStop has drawn global headlines in the past month due to its dramatic rise and fall in stock price.

Largely caused by a surge in investments from Reddit users, the video game company's stocks have made armchair investors millions while leaving some of the world's biggest hedge funds out billions. While many are eyeing US stock exchanges for the next opportunity to make a quick profit, a European Commission law may leave European companies particularly vulnerable to the "short squeeze" GameStop experienced.

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Current Affairs



THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ERASMUS: AN OBITUARY

BY FLORIAN BAUER, ISABELLE WALKER

On Christmas Eve 2020, Boris Johnson had a disappointing present for students in the UK and EU: the announcement that the UK would be pulling out of the Erasmus programme. This was a huge shock, as a future of easy mobility between the UK and EU seemed more out of reach than ever.

Johnson's main justification for this decision was financial, saying that the new Turing scheme will provide a better value for money.

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Digital Affairs

REPAIR OR REPLACE? A QUESTION FOR THE DIGITAL ERA

BY STÉPHANIE-FABIENNE LACOMBE

Between unfair wages, heavy mining activities, and important CO2-emissions, the electronic industry is not sustainable in its current practice. In times of home office and digitalisation, almost everyone nowadays possesses an electronic device such as a smartphone or a laptop - and will sooner or later be confronted with some damage and the question of whether to replace or repair the device.

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Newly elected CDU leader Armin Laschet.
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NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS ONLY START TO TAKE SMALL STEPS TO ENSURE THAT HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS ARE BEING RESPECTED ALONG THE SUPPLY CHAIN





View of Yemen's capital Sana'a, 2010, before the crisis.
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YEMEN'S HUMANITARIAN CRISIS AND THE EU

BY SEBASTIANO PUTOTO

“ The Yemeni crisis made it to the news once again last week when US President Joe Biden announced an end to US support for Saudi-led offensive operations in Yemen.

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