Ukraine and the EU

Relations between the European Union and Ukraine have been improving since the Maidan protests ousted President Viktor Yanukovych in 2014, leading to the election of pro-Western Petro Poroshenko as head of state. At their meeting on 12-13 July, EU and Ukrainian leaders welcomed the completion of the ratification of the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement and the recent entry into force of visa liberalisation for Ukrainian citizens. However, Ukraine’s security situation remains precarious following Russia’s annexation of Crimea and the armed conflict in eastern Ukraine, in which Russia’s role is unclear. The EU is also urging Ukraine to fight corruption with more determination.

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  Atlantic Council, July 2017

- Can Macron reload the Minsk process?
  Carnegie Europe, July 2017

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- The EU’s Association Agreements and DCFTAs with Ukraine, Moldova and Georgia: A Comparative study
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- Getting beyond Minsk: Toward a resolution of the conflict in Ukraine
  Transatlantic Academy, May 2017

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