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Newsletter

This newsletter brings you the latest news, stories and opportunities – all you need to know about the European Union and the Western Balkans.

#EUandYOU



Are you ready to become a Young European Ambassador (YEA) from the Western Balkans? The new call has just been announced and we are waiting for your application on webalkans.eu!

You will be part of a creative network of young activists from across the Western Balkans. YEAs come from different backgrounds, yet they all share a common vision: the Western Balkans united in diversity. YEAs learn about each other and the EU together, pursue creative projects, acquire new skills, connect via social media and beyond, and organise inspiring events – always driven by the idea that activism in youth is the most powerful force of social change.

[Apply by 30 June](#) for the chance become a YEA.

Spread the word: say #YESTOYEA!

Featured stories



Golden embroidery reloaded

Modern female entrepreneurship and an ancient Montenegrin craft are being interwoven with the support of the EU. There are also efforts to sustain this tradition through workshops and pass the skill on to other women in the community.

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**On the trail of the
endangered Balkan lynx**



**Jazz vibes make cultural
spaces breathe again**

North Macedonian journalists win prestigious EU award for their investigation into risks facing endangered lynx.

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Born during the pandemic, 'Peja Jazz' is now a thriving cultural event in Kosovo thanks to EU support.

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News highlights



18/05/2022

Winners of the 2022 “Most Roma Friendly Mayor” award announced

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10/05/2022

The Western Balkans celebrates Europe Day

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04/05/2022

EU extends additional €45 million in grants for Corridor Vc in BiH

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Don't miss these opportunities

- [A call for support to civil society organisations in Montenegro](#)
- [Call for project proposals within the Serbia – Bosnia and Herzegovina Cross-border Cooperation Programme](#)

- [Call for proposals for supporting investments in agri-food products](#)
- [€1.9 million for greater cooperation between Serbia and North Macedonia](#)

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YEAs mark Europe Day highlighting cultural diversity in events and networking

Several Young European Ambassadors (YEAs) from the Western Balkans celebrated this year's [Europe Day in Brussels](#), joining other ambassadors as part of the 2022 European Year of Youth. YEAs participated in events and celebrations organised by European institutions, including a youth debate, and met their peers from the EU Eastern and Southern Neighbourhoods to discuss challenges, opportunities, and future collaboration between these networks.

Meanwhile, YEAs were also part of [the Balkan Trafik Festival](#) that brought Western Balkans culture to Brussels. The Young European Ambassadors' participation in the festival included as speakers and moderators on a debate about the role of art in peacebuilding, and presenting their cuisine in a food tasting event.

YEAs also participated in the [European Forum of Young Leaders](#), a conference that took place in Katowice, Poland, where they attended panels, gathering useful contacts, and meeting professionals from their fields of work and study.

Stories

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