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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.

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Media freedom and freedom of expression were at the forefront of the newest edition of [EU-Western Balkans Media Conference](#) held in November in Tirana, Albania. Main speakers highlighted in front of 200 participants that free and independent media are a key pillar of democracy in forming a public sphere, shaping public opinion, and holding those in power to account. Read all about the key highlights of the conference where the [EU Investigative Journalism Awards](#) in the Western Balkans were delivered.

Also, we bring back the focus to [EU4Youth Days](#) held in Brussels to celebrate 2022 – the European Year of Youth where our own Young European Ambassadors [attended](#) for the first time. Check out our snap videos of how young people see [the EU](#), [the future](#), [global challenges](#), [connectivity between the regions](#), [strengths](#), as well as the [main take-aways](#) from the [event](#) hosted in October.

Happy reading! The WeBalkans.eu team.

## Featured stories



## **Doubling the workforce at catwalk Sarajevo**

An EU-funded project supported a fashion company from Bosnia and Herzegovina to grow their business. Such boost was given at the most difficult time during the pandemic, helping the company reach new heights home and abroad.

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**Reading throughout the Western Balkans**



**Bringing young people closer to culture and art**

An EU-funded project promotes reading habits and skills, and cultural cooperation.

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Interactive, innovative tools of a youth work programme bring cultural institutions closer to young people.

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## News highlights



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EU-Western Balkans  
Media Conference  
reaffirms the importance  
of media freedom and  
freedom of expression

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Albania joins the EU Civil  
Protection Mechanism

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EU announces €1 billion  
energy support package  
for the Western Balkans

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**Don't miss these opportunities**

- [Job opportunity- European Union Special Representative in Kosovo \(EUSR\) – Legal Adviser](#)
- [Senior Non-Key Expert in the area of Negotiating Ch. 15, Energy, common rules for the internal market for electricity](#)
- [Senior Non-Key Expert, in the area of Negotiating Chapter 11, Agriculture and Rural Development, new CAP 2021-2027](#)
- [Creative Europe publishes call to support literary translations](#)
- [Creative Europe call for cooperation projects](#)

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**YEAs keep engagement high during  
November**

Young European Ambassadors (YEAs) kept their engagement high by showing their talents and inspiring change within their communities in separate activities. A YEA from BiH participated in the [Model European Union Strasbourg Conference](#) in Strasbourg (France) she had a role of one of the Ministers in the Council of Europe. A group of YEAs from Kosovo attended the [Youth Conference](#) where they had a chance to attend panels and ask questions. While YEAs in North Macedonia participated in the fourth edition of the Born2run marathon in Kumanovo in the name of peace, tolerance, inclusiveness, respect, and diversity, once again proudly promoting the motto of the YEA network.

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## Stories

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