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Ukraine marks 100th anniversary of People's Republic

Russian misinformation distorts Ukraine's image in Western Europe

European Parliament debates: the <u>effect of Russian propaganda on EU countries</u>.

EP to hold <u>hearings on violation of human rights in</u> Crimea on Jan.24.

Head of the EU Delegation to Ukraine Hugues Mingarelli states that <u>as a result of the Russian misinformation campaign, Ukraine's image in Western Europe has been distorted</u> and does not correspond to reality.

Ukraine marks the <u>100th anniversary of</u> independence of Ukrainian People's Republic.

Swedes being told how to prepare for war.

EU <u>criticizes Poroshenko's Anti-Corruption Court</u> <u>bill</u>, hints at suspending visa-free travel.

Most people in the West continue to make <u>two</u> "fatal" mistakes about the media in Putin's Russia.

They assume that Russians who call themselves journalists are in fact journalists and that Russian propaganda is propaganda in the normal sense.

Fighting fakes: the <u>Finnish journalist working to</u> uncover and expose Vladimir Putin's troll empire.

Ukraine calls on <u>UNESCO</u> to take urgent measures to preserve Khan's Palace in Bakhchisaray.

Crimean factory gets generators from German company MAN in breach of EU sanctions.

Yanukovych treason case: <u>Putin's aide Glazyev led</u> separatist movements in Odesa in 2014.

StopFake #167 with Yuri Polakiwsky. Fakes: Crimean Tatars to support Putin in Russia's March presidential election; Kyiv residents want Russian social media back; Ukrainian train arrives in Russia carrying grenades.



2017 marks beginning of Ukraine's cultural renaissance

Anti-corruption whistleblowers go unprotected

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Ukraine <u>can show that it is serious about corruption</u>, – Andy Hunder (ACC).

A <u>ban on the import into Ukraine of 25 books</u> published in Russia.

Poll on what Ukrainian youth think about Russian aggression in Ukraine.

Ukraine: where watchdogs need safeguards. Whistleblowers go unprotected.

Goodbye, 'Antiterrorist operation.' Hello, 'Russian aggression.'

Ukraine adopts controversial "Donbas reintegration" bill

Jan 20. Ukrainian forces stop militant reconnaissance team near Shyrokyne. Shyrokyne. Defenders dwell on injured Russian saboteur's capture, show operational footage.

OSCE records almost <u>6,500 ceasefire violations</u> over past week.

No longer ATO, not yet a war. Ukraine adopts controversial "Donbas reintegration" bill.

Five projects which will strengthen the Ukrainian Army in the new year.

Ukraine, 'DPR/LPR' representatives <u>swap lists of detained persons</u>.

Birth attendant-turned-spy and the "DPR" jail at the "Izolyatsia" foundation: interview with Halyna Gaieva.

SBU chief: <u>Russian secret services plotted several</u> terrorist attacks in <u>Russia</u> to justify invasion of Ukraine.

Moscow preparing to <u>replace its forces in Donbas</u> with 'private' military, says Kyiv analyst.

FSB detains its own busted agents.

242 Days: <u>Remembering the defenders of the</u> Donetsk Airport 3 years later.

Uniforms for Ukraine: <u>volunteers sew new</u> reconnaissance suits for nation's defenders.

Left: Russian participation in the war in Donbas: evidence from 2017.

Right: Opened in
Parliament: the photo
exhibition to honor the
memory of <u>Ukraine's</u>
<u>freedom and independence</u>
<u>fighter, Armed Forces</u>
<u>Lieutenant Amina Okueva</u>





Remembering the victims of first Euromaidan lethal crackdow

EU not recognizing verdict against activist Balukh

<u>EU calls for release</u> of 'illegally detained' Ukrainians in Crimea, Russia.

Racist grounds given for mass persecution of Crimean Tatars in occupied Crimea.

Crimean <u>court sentences activist Baluch who flew</u>
<u>Ukrainian flag</u> in gravely falsified trial.

EU not recognizing verdict against Balukh.

Russia's <u>imprisonment of gravely ill Crimean</u>
Tatar veteran activists amounts to torture.

Crimean Tatar activist <u>jailed after new armed</u> searches 'for a video posted in 2012'.

Remembering the victims of the first lethal crackdown on Euromaidan

Concerns about Poroshenko's anticorruption court bill

Freedom House ranks Ukraine as partly free country

<u>Week's balance</u>: president selects candidate for top NBU post, Naftogaz says ready to buy gas from Gazprom, and privatization without Russian bidders.

IMF calls on Ukraine to create anti-corruption court based on Venice Commission's feedback.

World Bank slams Poroshenko's anticorruption court bill, \$800 million in the air.

EU becomes largest trading partner of Ukraine.

Freedom House has again included <u>Ukraine in the category of partly free countries</u>, according to the organization's new annual report "Freedom in the World 2018: Democracy in Crisis."

<u>Ukraine's debt to the International Monetary</u> <u>Fund</u> (IMF) totals \$12.1 billion.

Yanukovych's heritage, PACE without Russia,

opinion polling in Ukraine and Russia, and more: Weekly update on Ukraine #42, 8 – 15 January 2018. Ukraine Crisis Media Centre.

Introduction of the Exit Capital Tax: Negative short run fiscal impact necessitates solid budgeting. Estimates and analysis of the consequences of replacing the tax on profit with tax on withdrawn capital.

Significant gold deposits found in Ukraine.

Audit confirms <u>fraud at PrivatBank caused losses</u> <u>of at least \$5.5 bln.</u>

Al Jazeera investigation: why the return of the Yanukovych money was made a state secret in 2017?

Left: From banker to businessman:
Ukrainian entrepreneur starts designer lamp company.

Right: First 3D laboratory in Ukraine opens at Kharkiv Polytechnic Institute.



Ukrainian initiative making ethical business fashionable

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EU and EBRD back <u>10 Ukrainian clean energy projects</u>.

New Ukrainian initiative seeks to fight corruption by <u>making ethical business fashionable</u>.

Ukrainian <u>IT exports increase by 20% in 2017</u> to reach USD 3.6 billion.

<u>US-Ukrainian medtech startup Cardiomo</u> wins Techstars pitch competition.

Ukrainian companies eye India.

Uprooted <u>Crimean Tatar restaurant finds new home</u> in Kyiv.

Why the <u>US outsources its software development</u> to Ukraine.

Left: This is #Ukraine (video). Picturesque, sincere, free, modern. Metropolises and villages - from Kyiv to Sevastopol, Lviv to Donbas.

Right: Photos of Kyiv by roofer Yaroslav Segeda.



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Ukraine's top seeded tennis player and world No. 4 Elina Svitolina has defeated her compatriot,

Marta Kostyuk, in the third round of the

Australian Open 2018.

Feeding forest fauna: Ukrainian rangers set up thirty stations to <u>help animals through winter</u>.

The <u>Norwegian TV series</u> that's enraged the Kremlin.

Ukraine celebrates the <u>Day of Unity</u> with longest flag.



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