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Ukraine-EU ratify long awaited Association Agreement Second anniversary of the event that set off 2013 EuroMaidan Revolution

Moscow promised to ban Ukrainian produce starting January 1 if EU trade pact was implemented.
<http://goo.gl/mCZlhw>

Euromaidan started late on November 21, 2013, when up to 2,000 protesters gathered on the city's central Maidan Nezalezhnosti (Independence Square). The movement, sparked by President Viktor Yanukovich's abrupt decision to abandon talks on the EU Association Agreement, started peacefully, but did not end that way. The violence started with the government's crackdown on protesters overnight on November 30. Months later, Yanukovich would flee the country and around 100 protesters would be dead. (photo) <http://goo.gl/uUkqKl>

Maidan and its significance, a historical retrospective.
<http://goo.gl/iK9WHZ>

Poroshenko hails EU Parliaments' ratification of Association Agreement. <http://goo.gl/bP76gC>

Two years ago this week, on a cold November night, a call to action on Facebook by a young journalist sparked a series of events that culminated in Ukraine's

Revolution of Dignity. (video) <https://goo.gl/N7IphF>

Despite new cooperation in wake of Paris attacks, EU said to want to keep pressure on Moscow and on course to renew Russia sanctions. <http://goo.gl/vBYlaL>

Two years after Ukraine's Euromaidan, protesters say 'nothing has changed'. <https://goo.gl/0P9Kqm>

President Poroshenko declares 2016 the Year of English Language. <http://goo.gl/Z5uUGK>

The women who transformed Ukraine's police force. <http://goo.gl/TUSNtP>

StopFake news video episode #61 debunks the most recent false Russian media reports. (video) <https://goo.gl/F4htyZ>

A brief history of online trolling between Western and Russian diplomats (graphics, photos). <http://goo.gl/1WOaHX>



Failing on the Ukrainian battlefield, Russia turns to terrorism Keeping the focus on Ukraine's humanitarian crisis

George Soros: the moment Poroshenko reaffirms "commitment to new Ukraine," it will follow him.
<http://goo.gl/76IS3T>

'Russia eventually benefits from Paris attacks' - Ukrainian former FM, current MP, Borys Tarasyuk.
<http://goo.gl/RG6IsF>

Keeping the focus on Ukraine's humanitarian crisis.
<https://goo.gl/lu9IWc>

Washington Post editorial: Russia opens fire on Ukraine

again as the West stands by. <https://goo.gl/geS4zF>

Failing on the Ukrainian battlefield, Russia turns to terrorism. <http://goo.gl/t6L5OM>

William Taylor and Colin Cleary: Action, not words, needed to improve Ukraine's investment climate.
<http://goo.gl/4tPE5Q>

James Collins: daunting challenges and glimmers of hope in Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/JxktQF>

Baltic leaders call on world not to forget Ukraine after Paris

At least 774 missing persons in eastern Ukraine

Nov 23. Ukrainian positions under intense fire. <http://goo.gl/E5DWRN>; Two Ukrainian soldiers killed, two wounded in 24 hours. <http://goo.gl/VUIMCz>

Nov 21. Russian proxies attack ATO forces in Donetsk sector overnight. <http://goo.gl/YmPn8Q>

Nov.18. Combined Russian/separatist forces continue attacking Ukrainian army positions. <http://goo.gl/rD8DIC>

'Ceasefire exists only on paper' - German military attaché. <http://goo.gl/iWJLeH>

OSCE observes at least 30 trucks with coal on way to Russia. <http://goo.gl/Fd0spD>

774 missing persons in Ukraine conflict, security service says. <http://goo.gl/5bWUeQ>

Russian militants war preparations leave Donetsk drivers with no gas. <http://goo.gl/xqLFVR>

Ukraine gives OSCE evidence of rocket attacks on residential areas (photos). <http://goo.gl/ocq1LL>

The UK will provide nearly £1 million worth of equipment to the Ukraine Armed Forces (UAF) to support them through the colder months. <https://goo.gl/uTPXrd>

Baltic Leaders call on world to not forget Ukraine in wake of Paris attacks. <http://goo.gl/P3wOMU>

US begins special forces training for Ukrainian troops (video). <https://goo.gl/dIb1Dm>

Meet one of Ukraine's most determined pro-Western politicians and Ukrainian patriots and, until recently, a French citizen. <http://goo.gl/L02s43>

Police in Moscow have detained three people after they attached Ukraine's national flag to scaffolding on a Stalin-era skyscraper. <http://goo.gl/OfzS65>

Left: While the world focuses on refugees arriving in Europe from the Middle East, the plight of those fleeing war in Ukraine has been forgotten.

<https://goo.gl/54g5wE>

Right: Nov 21 marked Day of Dignity and Freedom



Jailed Ukrainian director could be traded in prisoner exchange

Blasts cut power to Crimea

Russian authorities threaten to prosecute Savchenko's lawyers. <http://goo.gl/NTEwR1>

Russian-occupied Crimea in total power blackout after blasts damage power pylons. <http://goo.gl/R3FjHV>

Ukrenergo says four days needed to restore power

transmission to Crimea following blasts. <http://goo.gl/jH9m4y>

As sabotage blacks out Crimea, Tatars prevent repairs. (video) <http://goo.gl/eSg7CW>

Jailed Ukrainian director Oleg Sentsov could be traded in prisoner exchange. <http://goo.gl/8bczlf>

Ukraine, Russia face all-out trade war with Crimea at center

Fitch upgrades Ukraine's foreign currency

NASA and Ukraine discuss expansion of bilateral cooperation in space. <http://goo.gl/ifJzSH>

Google executive: Digital transformation to accelerate economic growth in Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/ctfRQM>

Moody's predicts roughly 2% per annum growth in Ukraine from 2016. <http://goo.gl/wJeha2>

Ukraine has technically pulled out of a deep recession after the economy posted a 0.7 per cent real increase in GDP during the third quarter of this year compared to the second quarter. <http://goo.gl/RIUTh1>

Fitch Upgrades Ukraine's Foreign Currency IDR to 'CCC'. <http://goo.gl/sm6C0P>

Digest of reforms, Nov 14-20, highlights new rules and new markets, including state purchases, health care reform, deregulation, privatization, and education reform. <http://goo.gl/yzUt0O>

IMF on possibility of economic growth in Ukraine in 2016. <http://goo.gl/XfQdJl>

Ukraine faces a moment of truth, as the first domestic energy bills to include the large increase in tariffs announced earlier this year reached hard-pressed consumers this month. <http://goo.gl/Z0fxoC>

Ukraine abruptly banned freight traffic to the Crimean peninsula as tensions with Russia over the disputed territory have reignited into threats of a full-blown trade war. <https://goo.gl/AubFgK>

Ukraine can cope without additional supplies of Russian natural gas through the end of the year and sees no need to prepay for more fuel until then, according to its energy minister. <http://goo.gl/HWCK6K>

Experts: War is no excuse for Ukraine's lack of reform. <http://goo.gl/uy2mgq>

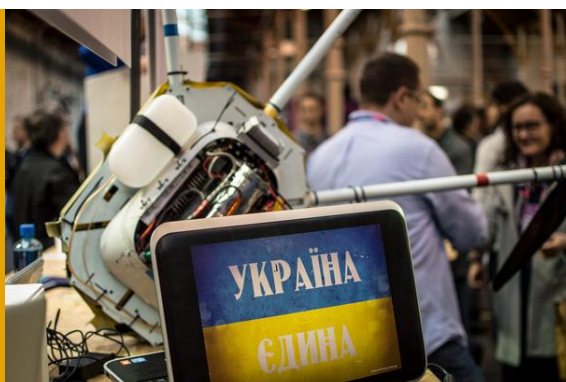
Poroshenko, Saakashvili disagree on state of progress in stamping out corruption. <http://goo.gl/JLJTnQ>

Left: A laptop and a part of a cargo drone at Kray Technologies' stand on the Web Summit Dublin.

<http://goo.gl/TT5U1m>

Right: Destroyed power pylons leading to Crimea, wrapped in Tatar flag.

<http://goo.gl/i1D9Mg>



George Soros "Time to invest to Ukraine has come".

Ukrainian researchers, entrepreneurs break the walls in Berlin

George Soros "Time to invest to Ukraine has come". Billionaire philanthropist George Soros invests in Ukrainian software developer Ciklum and Dragon Capital-sponsored Fund in Ukraine. <http://goo.gl/vM4htC> ; <http://goo.gl/YpavIQ>

Ukrainian researchers, entrepreneurs break the walls in Berlin. <http://goo.gl/luTH2p>

The Washington D.C.-based global startup accelerator and seed funding organization 1776 is staging the Challenge Cup in Kyiv, one of 50 cities selected for the contest. The top prize in the tournament is \$1 million. <http://goo.gl/1Yqomh>

Ukrainian-Polish startup attracts \$5 million in funding from Forum Capital. <http://goo.gl/usNQcj>

Left: British artist
paints mural in
Minsk.
<http://goo.gl/nZBOUv>

Right: Ukraine
qualifies for Euro
Championship
<http://goo.gl/hvFTcT>



Ukraine qualifies for first European football tournament

Kyiv joins “Creative Europe” program

Ukraine qualifies for its first European football tournament in playoff win over Slovenia.
<http://goo.gl/1TolZk>

Ukraine has signed an agreement on joining the "Creative Europe" programme, which is aimed at supporting the cultural and audio-visual sectors.
<http://goo.gl/Sb95Gx>

Uzhhorod is Ukraine's far western getaway.
<http://goo.gl/tGSR21>

Left: 27 Reasons to
never visit Ukraine
<http://goo.gl/uD7kRv>



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