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- **President Juncker and Michel Barnier address the plenary of the European Parliament ahead of the vote on the Resolution on the negotiations with the United Kingdom**

This morning at the plenary session of the European Parliament in Strasbourg, President **Juncker** underlined the importance of the Parliament's role in the upcoming negotiations with the UK, reiterating that it will need to scrutinise the final agreement at the end of the two-year negotiating process. *"You are the checks and the balances during the negotiations themselves"* President **Juncker** told MEPs. On the future of the European Union at 27, President **Juncker** said that the withdrawal of the UK is a sad moment but that it has provided a new impetus for the Union, as already witnessed by the signature of the [Bratislava Declaration and Roadmap](#) by the EU27, the [Malta Summit](#) in February this year and the signature of the [Rome Declaration](#) on 25 March. Thanking the Parliament for its preparatory work ahead of the negotiations with the UK, Chief Negotiator Michel Barnier underlined the conditions necessary for reaching an agreement in the upcoming negotiations. He stressed the importance of unity amongst the Member States of the EU as well as the necessity of removing uncertainty, particularly for European citizens, as soon as possible.

- **Brussels Conference Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region – Day 2**

Day two of the Brussels Conference Supporting the Future of Syria and the Region (#SyriaConf2017) began this morning with a ministerial meeting followed by the session "Supporting the future of Syria", chaired by the High Representative/Vice-President Federica **Mogherini** on behalf of the European Union (arrival doorsteps [here](#) and [here](#), opening statement [here](#)). A [live](#) press conference is foreseen for +/- 13h30 CET. More about yesterday's and this morning's sessions [here](#) and on [EbS](#). For more information on the Conference, visit the [website](#). For more information on EU response to the Syria crisis, see [here](#).

- **European cities shortlisted for the European Green Capital and European Green Leaf Awards for their environmental achievements**

Ghent (Belgium), Lahti (Finland), Lisbon (Portugal), Oslo (Norway) and Tallinn (Estonia) have been shortlisted for the 2019 [European Green Capital Award](#) (for

cities with population larger than 100 000) for their commitment to environmental, social and economic sustainability. Leuven (Belgium), Ludwigsburg (Germany) and Växjö (Sweden) have been nominated for the [European Green Leaf Award](#) 2018 (for smaller cities with population between 20 000 and 100 000) for their environmental achievements. The two awards are an initiative of the [EU policy on Urban Environment](#) to foster environmental improvement, and make the transition to a more circular economy towards green growth. A full press release is available [here](#).

- **Les noms des gagnants de l'édition 2017 du Prix du patrimoine culturel de l'Union européenne / Concours Europa Nostra rendus public**

La Commission européenne et Europa Nostra ont rendu public aujourd'hui les noms des gagnants de l'édition 2017 du Prix du patrimoine culturel de l'Union européenne / Concours Europa Nostra qui récompense des contributions exemplaires dans le domaine de la préservation du patrimoine. Les 29 lauréats, issus de 18 pays, ont été récompensés pour leurs réalisations dans quatre domaines: la conservation, la recherche, les services dédiés et l'éducation, la formation professionnelle et la sensibilisation. Les lauréats recevront les prix lors d'une [cérémonie](#) prévue le 15 mai prochain à Turku (Finlande) et à laquelle assisteront le Commissaire Tibor **Navracsics** et le Président d'Europa Nostra, Maestro Plácido Domingo. Plus d'informations [ici](#).

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