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Thinking about the future of the EU

C4EP analysis on the subject – *Plans or dreams about the future of the EU – by the president of the European Council*

„Charles Michel, the president of the European Council has addressed the participants of the prestigious Bled Strategic Forum. He is responsible for close cooperation with heads of states and governments of the EU member states, thus his ideas are worthy of attention as those presumably well-founded and formulated while understanding the positions of these leaders and their respective states. His speech will be analysed here, trying to draw conclusions about the reality of those ideas and the possibility of implementing those during the time left of Michel’s term, ending in 2025.”

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Speech by President Charles Michel at the Bled Strategic Forum

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Albania sceptical of EU chief’s enlargement push

According to Albanian Prime Minister Edi Rama: “There should not only be reforms and criticism that are necessary, but also the most consistent support, and I’m not talking only from the financial point of view, but also the market access of our enterprises”

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According to first vice-speaker of the Georgian Parliament, Gia Volski: “In the perspective of 2030, they see a real opportunity for the enlargement of the European Union because, as Macron says, there is no synchronization even among the 27 members, which is required by this very important political union”

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Opposition Reacts to EU Enlargement Plan Announced by Charles Michel

According to Georgian MP Salome Samadashvili: “Without a change of government, we will remain behind this wave of enlargement, and Georgia will fall under the influence of Russia once and for all”

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EU readies 'substantial proposal' on enlargement in October, Várhelyi says

According to Enlargement Commissioner Olivér Várhelyi: "I don't think it is a question of dates. It is a question of [political] will and a question of delivery. Delivery on the part of the EU, but also delivery on the part of our partner countries in the Western Balkans or the other three candidate countries"

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