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### EU Foreign Policy

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#DRC #EU: Statement by the @eu\_eeas Spokesperson on the publication of the election timetable. Call for prompt implementation & measures to ease tensions but nothing on concrete guarantees this will be effectively respected #RDC eeas.europa.eu/delegations/dr ...

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Delegation of the European Union to DR Congo

Statement by the Spokesperson on the publication of the election timetable of the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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The announcement of the election timetable opens the cycle of elections in the Democratic Republic of the Congo that must lead to a democratic transition. The authorities and institutions in charge of organizing the elections are also responsible for the effective implementation of the timetable, through a legitimate and consensual process involving all political and civil actors. Dialogue and the rejection of all use of violence must prevail. In order to establish credible and inclusive election conditions, it is vital that measures necessary to ease political tensions are implemented, in accordance with the Constitution and the agreement of 21 December 2016. In this context, the European Union will work with Congolese actors and their partners, in particular the United Nations, the African Union, the Southern African Development Community and the International Organization for the French-Speaking World, in order to help achieve the goal. The European Union is part of the joint team of experts tasked with supporting the implementation of the electoral process, in accordance with the communiqué of the meeting held in the margins of the General Assembly of the United Nations on 16 September 2017.

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// [Déclaration du porte-parole sur la publication du calendrier électoral en République Démocratique du Congo](#), European External Action Service, 9 November



**Koen Vervaeke**  
@koen\_vervaekeEU

Abonné

Avec Adama Dieng @UN\_GP\_RtoP prévention #genocide. Travail commun pour la justice. Missions en #RCA #RDC #Soudandusud



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## DRC/UK



**Rory Stewart**  
@RoryStewartUK

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In Kasai with displaced communities, struggling to rebuild after violence - supported by @ICRC, @DFID\_UK @UKinDRC

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**John Murton**  
@JohnMurton

Abonné

Entretien très intéressant avec Président Kabila et notre ministre @RoryStewartUK - discussion sur développement, élections. Toujours bon de parler et échanger des points de vue



18:15 - 10 nov. 2017

[Les élections en 2018 sont "réalisables", affirme Rory Stewart](#), politico.cd, 11 Novembre

## BURUNDI/UK



**Simon Mustard**  
@SMustardFCO

Abonné

I support #ICC decision to formally investigate #Burundi human rights abuses. Complements two investigations mandated by @UNHumanRights Council in September into alleged abuses and potential crimes against humanity. Important that victims have #justice [twitter.com/IntlCrimCourt/...](https://twitter.com/IntlCrimCourt/)

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## RWANDA/GERMANY



**Ambassador Woeste**  
@GermanyinRwanda

Abonné

Would be a loss if critical journalist @Etiennebesbesa really decided to leave Rwanda #PressFreedom

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## Central Africa – Great Lakes – African Union & other regional institutions

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**African Union Peace**  
@AU\_PSD

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Joint Communique: The African Union and the @UN welcome the publication of the electoral calendar in the #DRC and urge for consensus on the electoral process

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**Joint Communique - The African Union and the United Nati...**  
Addis Ababa, 9th November, 2017: The African Union Commissioner for Peace and Security Small Chergui, the United Nations Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the Great Lakes ...  
peaceau.org

02:53 - 10 nov. 2017

[The African Union and the United Nations welcome the publication of the electoral calendar in the DRC and urge for consensus on the electoral process](#), African Union, 10 November



**Said Djinnit**  
@djinnitsaid

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With @SRSG\_MONUSCO consulting @MoussaFaki\_M on #DR Congo and #GreatLakes.



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# DRC

## Politics – Elections

**TOP STORY** [RDC: l'envoyé spécial de l'OIF met en garde contre le non-respect du calendrier](#), RFI, 13 Novembre

**TOP STORY** [RDC: la Céni rappelle les conditions pour le respect du calendrier électoral](#), RFI, 10 Novembre

[RDC : USA et UE accordent un sursis à Kabila](#), BBC, 11 Novembre

[U.N. watchdog tells Congo to hold election, clean up human rights](#), Reuters, 9 November

[RDC: l'inquiétude après l'arrestation d'un député à l'aéroport de Kinshasa](#), RFI, 13 Novembre

[RDC: le gouvernement s'explique sur le projet de loi polémique sur les associations](#), RFI, 9 Novembre

[RDC : La Dynamique appelle à une grande manifestation le 15 novembre pour exiger une transition sans Kabila](#), Actualite.cd, 11 Novembre

## Security

[East Congo militiamen go on trial for raping children](#), Reuters, 9 November

[RDC: Women learn martial arts to prevent sexual violence](#), Al Jazeera, 11 November

## Natural resources

**TOP STORY** [Glencore en RDC et au Burkina : ce que révèlent les Paradise Papers](#), Jeune Afrique, 6 Novembre // [The inside story of Glencore's hidden dealings in DRC](#), The Guardian, 5 November

**TOP STORY** [Congo Fails to Account for Infrastructure Loans, Group Says](#), Bloomberg, 9 November

[Congo basin's peaty swamps are new front in climate change battle](#), The Guardian, 12 November

[China urged to ease reliance on DRC for cobalt](#), Reuters, 7 November

## Others

[About 30 killed when train derails, catches fire in Congo](#), Reuters, 13 November

## *Burundi*

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**TOP STORY** [War crimes court backs Burundi investigation](#), Reuters, 9 November

[Burundi: l'enquête de la CPI s'annonce difficile et complexe](#), RFI, 11 Novembre

[Burundi : les présidents ougandais et tanzanien s'opposent à l'enquête de la CPI](#), Jeune Afrique, 12 novembre

## *Rwanda*

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**TOP STORY** [UN Committee against Torture to review Moldova, Cameroon, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Italy, Mauritius, Bulgaria, Timor Leste and Rwanda](#), UNOHCHR, 6 November

**HIGHLIGHT** [This journalist documents forgotten horrors that most news misses](#), PBS News Hour, November 9

[Sénégal : Kagamé et IBK à l'ouverture du Forum de Dakar sur la sécurité](#), Jeune Afrique, 13 Novembre

## Others

[Rwanda : quand le coltan attire Canadiens et Australiens](#), Africa Time, 10 Novembre



## *News from EurAc network and from partner organisations*

- Declaration du FOCODE sur la Disparition forcée de Joseph Nsabimana, 13 novembre

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- Report no 100 SOS Torture Burundi // Rapport no 100 de SOS Torture Burundi, 11 November

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- South Sudan Watch Update, Atrocities Watch Africa, 3-11 November

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## *Interesting statements, research, analysis & campaigns*

**Policy Brief:** Burundi's constitutional amendment: what do we know so far?, Stef Vandeginste, Institute of Development Policy University of Antwerp, November 2017

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**Reportage:** [The Broken Heart of Africa](#), Süddeutsche Zeitung, 5 November

- A power-hungry president, a cunning businessman, an influential ex-minister and the secretive Swiss mining giant Glencore: Why Congo remains dirt poor despite its abundant riches

**Article:** [Resolving the Political Crisis in DR Congo: Testimony at the US House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations](#), Human Rights Watch, 9 November

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