



## ***European Movement***

*Serbia*

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### **PRESS RELEASE OF EUROPEAN MOVEMENT IN SERBIA**

European Movement in Serbia welcomes with true pleasure the decision of the Council of the European Union to authorize the Commission to negotiate a Stabilization and association agreement with Serbia and Montenegro.

This is a historical date and we hope for the successful European agenda in the future that will lead us to the final goal – EU membership.

We are convinced that there is strong political will and the administrative capacity to reconstitute for the previous latency as well as catch up with the countries in the region. European Movement in Serbia underlines that the European integration is a process that engages all the citizens of the country and that its success as well as the speed depend on all of us.

We call upon all the political and social actors to give their full contribution to this complex process in order to fulfil, in timely manner, the European standards and bring in our country in the group of stable and economically strong countries.

European Movement in Serbia also greets the decision of the Council of the European Union to initiate negotiations on the accession with Croatia and Turkey. Thus, we believe, the whole region of the Western Balkans gained significant impetus as well as the confirmation of definite and full membership in the EU. We wish plenty of success to Croatia and Turkey in this process.

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