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The EU executive says that a statement describing the former Cuban leader as a "hero for many" is balanced and suggests that the use of the word dictator by a commissioner doesn't reflect its position.

MEP barred from questioning Oettinger on plane trip

TODAY, 18:56
The Hungarian Green MEP who uncovered EU Commissioner Oettinger’s flight to Budapest on a private plane of a lobbyist was not allowed to ask the German politician on the issue in the EP.

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**Fillon's EU vision: France leading a 'Europe of nations'**

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The centre-right presidential candidate, who just won his party's primary, wants a "more political" EU that would focus on security and the economy.

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**Dieselgate: Bienkowska again promises legal action**

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Russian gas deliveries to EU reach record high

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Russian oil firm manipulated papers in Dutch case

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Inching towards digital single market THIS WEEK

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It will be a “really busy week”, with a focus on making EU rules more fit for the digital century.

Austria's presidential rivals clash over EU and migration

TODAY, 09:25

Austria’s presidential hopefuls, who are in locked in a tight race, disagreed over the future of the EU in a TV debate a week before the election.
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Gaffe-prone Guenther Oettinger faces questions on whether the commission paid for the flight and why the lobbyist meeting was not declared.

Juncker’s time is running out

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EU Commission chief’s defensive media blitz reinforces the very thing he wants to deny: It’s time to leave.
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Why European leaders should learn from Japanese prime minister's failing diplomacy with Russia and not make the same mistakes.

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One year after attacks, French emergency persists

Analysis - Eric Maurice

The Paris killings and the ensuing state of emergency have opened an era of fear and doubt that will have an influence on next year's elections.

Mr Juncker, be Bob the Builder

25. NOV, 09:53

Now is the time for the EU commission president to accept the pact proposed by the European Parliament to uphold democracy and our fundamental rights, write six MEPs from five political groups.

Europeans still blaming women for rape

25. NOV, 09:30

One in four Europeans think rape can be justified in certain circumstances, while one in five say violence against women is often provoked by the victim.
Poland: Russia seeks 'new empire' in Europe

25. NOV, 09:24

Polish minister said Russian military "aggression" in Europe was a threat even to "lucky" states, such as Ireland, which are not on the front line.

Death and riots at EU asylum hotspot in Greece

25. NOV, 09:20

A six-year old child and mother died late Thursday at an asylum detention centre in Moria, on the Greek island of Lesbos.
Fillon keeps momentum after French primary debate

25. NOV, 09:18

Francois Fillon was not unsettled by rival Alain Juppe, ahead of the centre-right primary election on Sunday, despite differences on the pace of reforms, multiculturalism and Russia.

Weber calls for stability after Schulz exit

24. NOV, 19:19

The leader of the parliament's centre-right group Manfred Weber urged pro-European groups to rally behind a joint candidate as the assembly’s next president.

EU mulls new ways to deport rejected migrants

24. NOV, 18:23

EU states, under the new plan, would take asylum seekers from Italy and Greece and send some of them packing to their home countries.
No EU visa waiver for Ukraine this year

24. NOV, 17:56

Ukrainian people are unlikely to get an EU visa waiver by Christmas, but there is still hope for Georgia, diplomats say.

France's Royal blames staff for controversial vote on emissions

24. NOV, 17:54

Environment minister told MEPs that French civil servants voted in Brussels in favour of leniency towards car industry against her will.

Why Slovak PM called journalists 'dirty prostitutes'

24. NOV, 10:32

Robert Fico's outburst comes amid mounting pressure from opposition parties and the media to take action over high-level corruption allegations.
Martin Schulz to quit as EU parliament leader

24. NOV, 09:29

The German politician wasn't sure to secure a third term as EU parliament president. His decision opens up power struggles both in Brussels and Berlin.

Brexit to hike British debt by €69bn

24. NOV, 09:27

Britain’s decision to exit the EU is to prompt €69 billion of extra borrowing, a UK watchdog has said, leaving poorer families less well off.
Commission tightens rules after Barrosogate

24. NOV, 08:45
The European Commission has proposed tighter rules for its members after their term finishes, amid a long-lasting row over Jose Manuel Barroso's job at Goldman Sachs.

OPINION

Requiem for a European dream

23. NOV, 15:04
The solution to the EU's woes could lie in a return to the pre-1992 version of the bloc, rather than creating an inner circle of European integration.

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