

The Capitals

The Brief

Ukraine

Agrifood

Economy & Jobs

Energy & Environment

Global Europe

Health

Politics

Technology

Transport

Czechs take over EU presidency braced for 'bad weather' powered by EURACTIV France

[Home](#) / [News](#) / [Politics](#) / [The Capitals](#) / Terminal: inside Europe's summer airport chaos

Terminal: inside Europe's summer airport chaos

By EURACTIV Network | EURACTIV.com

🕒 7:28 (updated: 🕒 7:44)

Advertisement



Travelers are already in the queue at the departure hall at Schiphol airport in Amsterdam, Netherlands, 05 June 2022. [EPA-EFE/Phil Nijhuis]

Print



The Capitals brings you the latest news from across Europe, through on-the-ground reporting by EURACTIV's media network. You can subscribe to the newsletter [here](#).

Before you start reading today's edition of the Capitals, feel free to have a look at the [Editor's take: What direction for EU-UK relations after Johnson's luck runs out?](#) By Benjamin Fox.

The European news you deserve to read. Welcome to [The Capitals](#) by EURACTIV.

In today's news from the Capitals:

Europe's aviation infrastructure is buckling under the strain of the *en masse* return to flying this summer, resulting in chaos at airports, all-too-frequent tales of lost luggage, missed connections, and stranded passengers waiting for hours to speak with frazzled staff. [Read more.](#)

PARIS

EURACTIV Members

ALDE PARTY
 DIE LINKE. im Europaparlament
 LOGOS Public Affairs
 Party of the European Left
 PES Group in the European Committe...
 Renew Europe in the European Com...
 S&D - Socialists and Democrats in th...
 WeMove Europe
 Wilfried Martens Centre for Europea...

Popular articles

- Russia shuts down terminal after Kazakhstan offers to send more oil to the EU **1**
- Bulgarian secret services: Russia pays public figures to spread propaganda **2**
- Shell on cusp of Albanian discovery that could change Europe's energy future, Rama says **3**
- Russia gives ultimatum to Bulgaria, threatens to break diplomatic relations **4**
- Seventy expelled Russian diplomats leave Bulgaria **5**
- Berlin asks anxious heat pump industry to produce 500,000 a year **6**
- Our food security is on shaky ground. The G7 must put that right **7**

French legislative to investigate consultancy overuse in public administration. An investigation is to be launched into the French administration's over-contracting of consulting firms such as McKinsey and Capgemini for policy inputs, especially in the COVID vaccine roll-out strategy, far-left La France Insoumise MP and Finance Committee chairman Eric Coquerel announced on Thursday. [Read more.](#)

///

BERLIN | SARAJEVO

Germany to join military mission in Bosnia amid Russian interference fears. Due to Russia's attempts to destabilise Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Bundestag will vote today on rejoining the EU military mission EUFOR Althea but the mission is currently at risk of having its legal basis stripped. [Read more.](#)

///

VIENNA

Nehammer: Montenegro making 'enormous efforts' on EU path. Montenegrin Prime Minister Dritan Abazović spoke of wishes for his country to join the EU soon, during his first official visit to Vienna on Thursday. [Read more.](#)

///

BRUSSELS

Belgium to reopen Embassy in Kyiv, send new ambassador. The Belgian Embassy in Kyiv will reopen next Monday, Prime Minister Alexander De Croo confirmed on Thursday. [Read more.](#)

UK AND IRELAND**DUBLIN**

Irish PM urges to 'reset' UK relationship after Johnson exit. Irish Taoiseach Micheál Martin urged Boris Johnson, who resigned as UK prime minister on Thursday, to step back from planned unilateral action on the Northern Ireland Protocol before his exit. [Read more.](#)

NORDICS AND BALTICS**HELSINKI**

Social Democrats on the rise in Finland. The Social Democratic Party is increasing its popularity and narrowing the lead of the liberal-conservative National Coalition Party (NCP), according to a new poll commissioned by the Finnish Broadcasting Company (YLE) published on Thursday. [Read more.](#)

EUROPE'S SOUTH**ROME**

Italy's COVID surge is 'real reason for concern', says health foundation. Hospitalisations due to COVID-19 have risen by 33% in the past seven days driving a 36% increase in intensive care ward occupancy, according to the monitoring report by the Gimbe Foundation released on Thursday. [Read more.](#)

///

'Please don't betray us':
Ukrainians call on EU Parliament
to reject green label for gas and
nuclear

8

Three major Finnish companies
announce Russian market exit

9

The Brief – Unpredictable
Bulgaria?

10

Advertisement

MADRID**NGO condemns Sanchez's silence over border deaths in Spanish enclaves.**

Following increased border control between Morocco and the Spanish enclaves of Ceuta and Melilla, the Spanish government is remaining silent on alleged violations of international law, a source from the migration NGO No Name Kitchen told EURACTIV. [Read more.](#)

///

LISBON

Thousands protest for better working, living conditions in Lisbon. Thousands of workers gathered on Wednesday afternoon in Marquês de Pombal, in Lisbon, and set off towards parliament, in a national demonstration for wage and pension increases in the face of escalating inflation. [Read more.](#)

VISEGRAD**WARSAW**

Polish medics fear new COVID wave. Polish experts fear a recurrence of infections and further lockdowns after several months of relative calm concerning coronavirus infections. [Read more.](#)

///

PRAGUE

Czechia backs Croatian quick Schengen entry. Czechia will strive to ensure that, during its presidency, the EU grants Croatia entry into the Schengen Area, Czech Prime Minister Petr Fiala said on Thursday after meeting with his Croatian counterpart in Prague. [Read more.](#)

///

BRATISLAVA

Pesticide reduction law ignores our starting point, says Slovak agriculture ministry. The Slovak Ministry of Agriculture has voiced reservations about the new legal framework for the use of pesticides, which the Commission proposed in June as part of the Nature restoration law. [Read more.](#)

NEWS FROM THE BALKANS**SOFIA**

Bulgaria to introduce quotas for Bulgarian music. The parliament will enforce quotas for Bulgarian music on state television and radio airwaves as per changes in the law proposed by the pro-Russian nationalist party 'Vazrazhdane' and passed with ten votes in favour and none against. [Read more.](#)

///

LJUBLJANA

Slovenia's Geoplin to vie for Italian LNG terminal capacity. Geoplin, Slovenia's largest distributor of natural gas, has confirmed that it will be competing for capacities of the liquefied natural gas (LNG) terminal in Rovigo, near Venice, after not having been awarded a contract for spare capacity at the LNG terminal on

the Croatian island of Krk. [Read more.](#)

///

SKOPJE

North Macedonia fears Russian exploitation as protests continue. EU Rapporteur for Kosovo Viola von Cramon has warned that Russia may exploit current unrest in the Western Balkans, as protests continue in North Macedonia. [Read more.](#)

///

TIRANA

No legal progress in Albania as thousands still missing since communist regime. Progress on finding the remains of some 6,000 people still missing after the fall of Albania's communist regime is still no more tangible due to disagreements between law enforcement institutions, according to the Files Authority, which reported to the Laws Commission on Wednesday. [Read more.](#)

///

Agenda

- **EU:** European Commission President Ursula Von der Leyen leads Commission delegation to United Nations Retreat.
- Commission Vice-President Dubravka Šuica meets with German Minister of State for Europe and Climate Anna Lührmann.
- Vice-President Frans Timmermans holds a High-level Climate and Environment Dialogue with China, via videoconference.
- Equality Commissioner Helena Dalli delivers a keynote speech at Madrid LGBTIQ and Pride March.
- **France:** Airport workers strike at Roissy-Charles De Gaulle airport.
- **Switzerland:** Verdict in trial of ex-UEFA chief Michel Platini and ex-FIFA president Sepp Blatter, accused of fraud.
- **Czech Republic:** Opening concert of Czech Presidency of Council of EU.

[Edited by Sarantis Michalopoulos, Vlad Makszimov, Daniel Eck, Benjamin Fox, Zoran Radosavljevic, Alice Taylor, Eleonora Vasques, Sofia Stuart Leeson]



Topics

Politics /// The Capitals /// The Capitals

Subscribe to our newsletters

Subscribe