EU INTEGRATION OF THE [BALKANS] IS A MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL PROCESS

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The EU can benefit from the Western Balkans**(*)**, which can enable it to become a strong geopolitical actor, provide security and economic cooperation, but also solutions and ideas of its growing business sector, stressed the participants of the event Building Europe Together: WB contribution to the Conference on the Future of Europe.

The purpose of the event, which was organised in Belgrade on Monday and moderated by the Executive Editor of the European Western Balkans Nikola Burazer, was to summarise the previous discussions taking place during the Conference on the Future of Europe, in which the organisations from the region also participated. Donika Emini, Executive Director of the CiviKos Platform and a member of the Balkans in Europe Policy Advisory Group (BiEPAG), emphasised that the EU should not see the integration of the Western Balkans as the process only benefiting that region.

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(*) AVİM considers the term "Western Balkans" to be a politically motivated separatist terminology and persists on the use of the geographical and historical identification "Balkans" regarding the region.

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