
ENLARGEMENT PACKAGE POSTPONED UNTIL AUTUMN, NEGOTIATION FRAMEWORK TO GO AHEAD IN JUNE

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Enlargement Commissioner Oliver Várhelyi confirmed to EU lawmakers on Tuesday (19 May) that the publication of the European Commissions enlargement package has been postponed until autumn due to the COVID-19 pandemic, but the negotiating framework for Northern Macedonia and Albania will go ahead as planned in June.

We are working day and night with the COVID-19 crisis, and given the fact that it is difficult to predict what the economic situation will look like, it will also be difficult to see how the reforms will be fulfilled, Várhelyi told the European Parliaments Foreign Affairs Committee (AFET).

The European Commissions Enlargement Package includes an annual analysis of the entire enlargement process as well as detailed country-specific reports on the progress of the candidate countries and potential candidates for EU membership.

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