



# Why Europe is Breaking

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1. “Hijrah”

2. “Cultural Marxism”

3. And of course, *Russia*

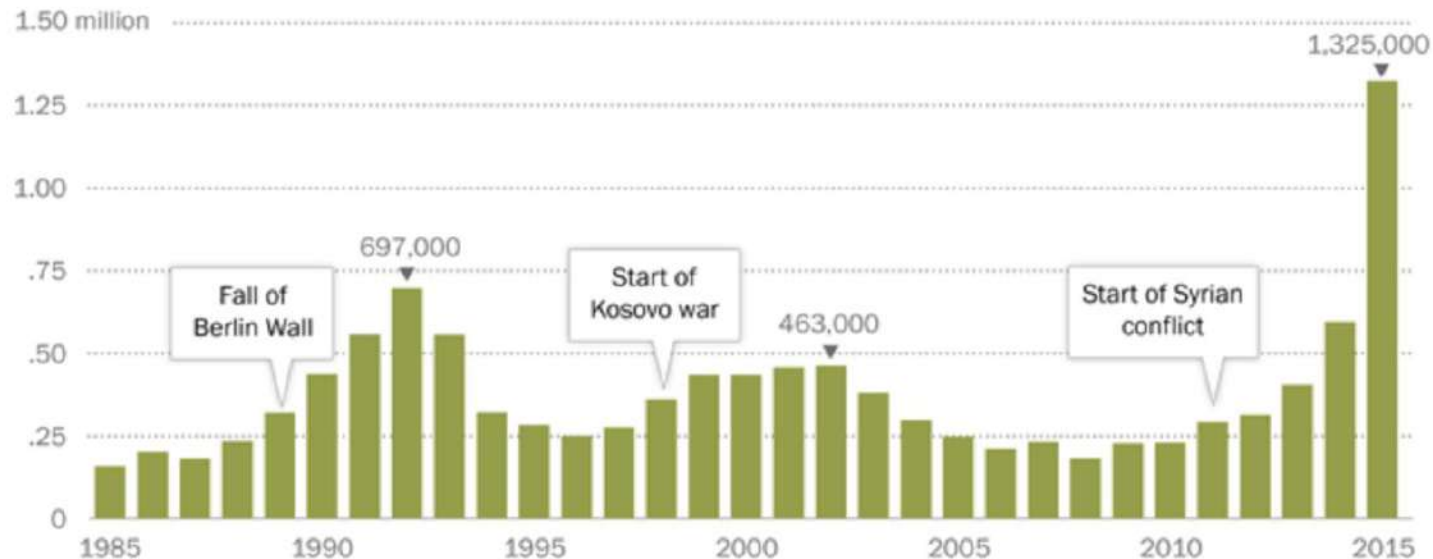
# Hijrah: Migration in Way of Allah



# The “Refugee Crisis”

## Number of asylum seekers in Europe surges to record 1.3 million in 2015

Annual number of asylum applications received by EU-28 countries, Norway and Switzerland, 1985 to 2015



Note: “Europe” consists of the EU-28, Norway and Switzerland. Asylum seeker definitions varied by European country prior to 2008. Numbers for asylum applications since 2008 are based on first-time applicants and do not include appeals or transfer of applications between countries. See [methodology](#) for more details. Data on asylum applications is missing for some countries in some years. See [Appendix A](#) for list of countries with missing data. All countries that are part of the EU today are included in previous years’ data even though several were not part of the European Union in earlier years. Rounded to nearest thousand.

Source: Pew Research Center analysis of Eurostat data, accessed June 22, 2016.

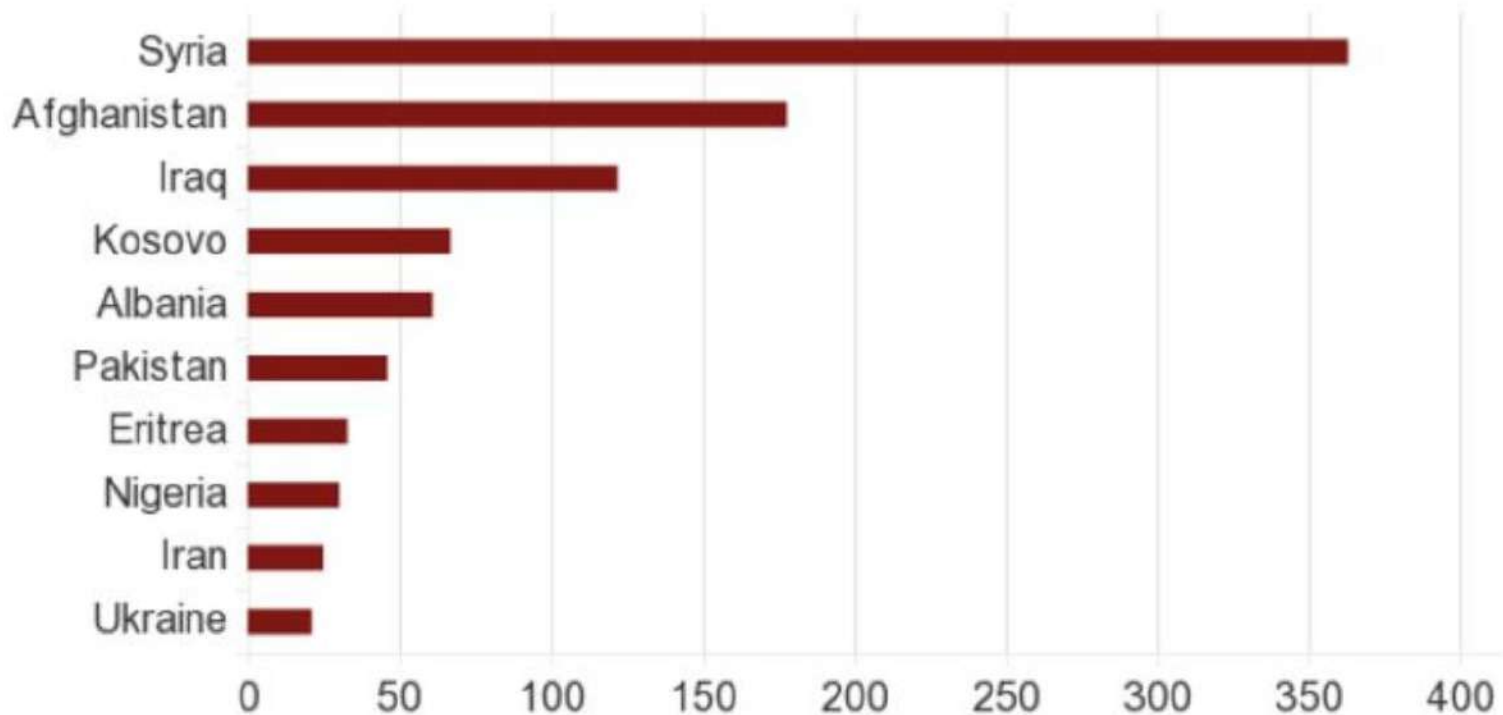
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# Origins of Asylum-Seekers

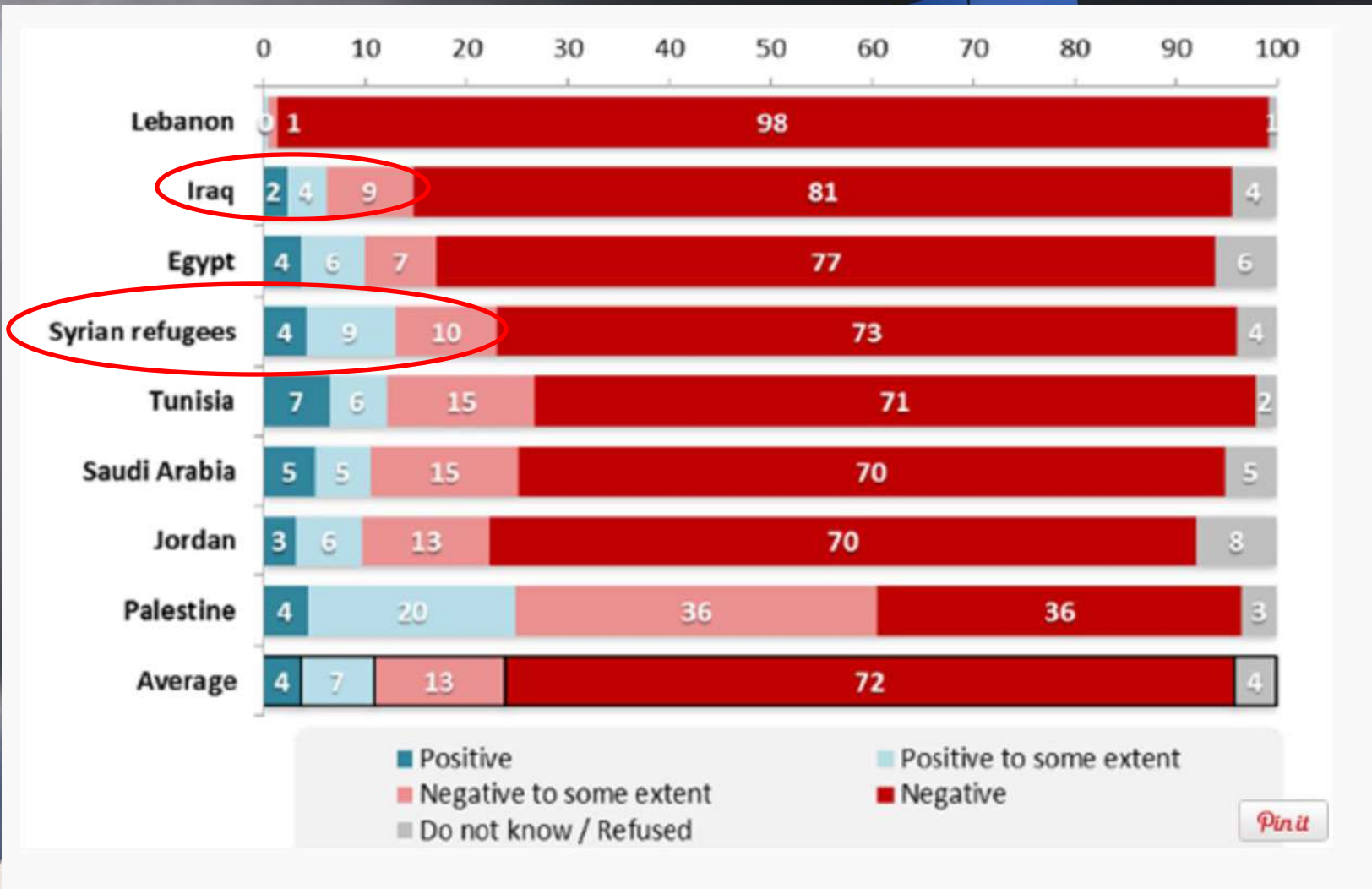
## Top 10 origins of people applying for asylum in the EU

First-time applications in 2015, in thousands



Source: Eurostat

# Asylum-Seekers' View of Islamic State

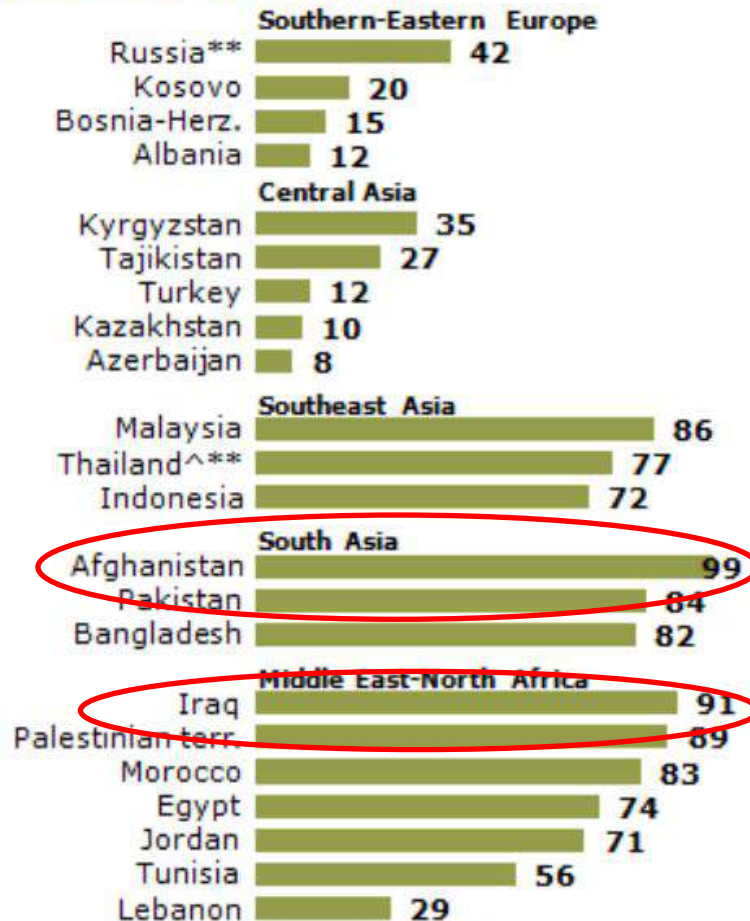


Source: <http://www.aci.org/publication/poll-13-of-syrian-refugees-are-isis-sympathizers/>

# Origin Countries Support for Sharia

## Support for Sharia

*% of Muslims who favor making sharia the official law in their country*



# High-Profile Jihadi Attacks

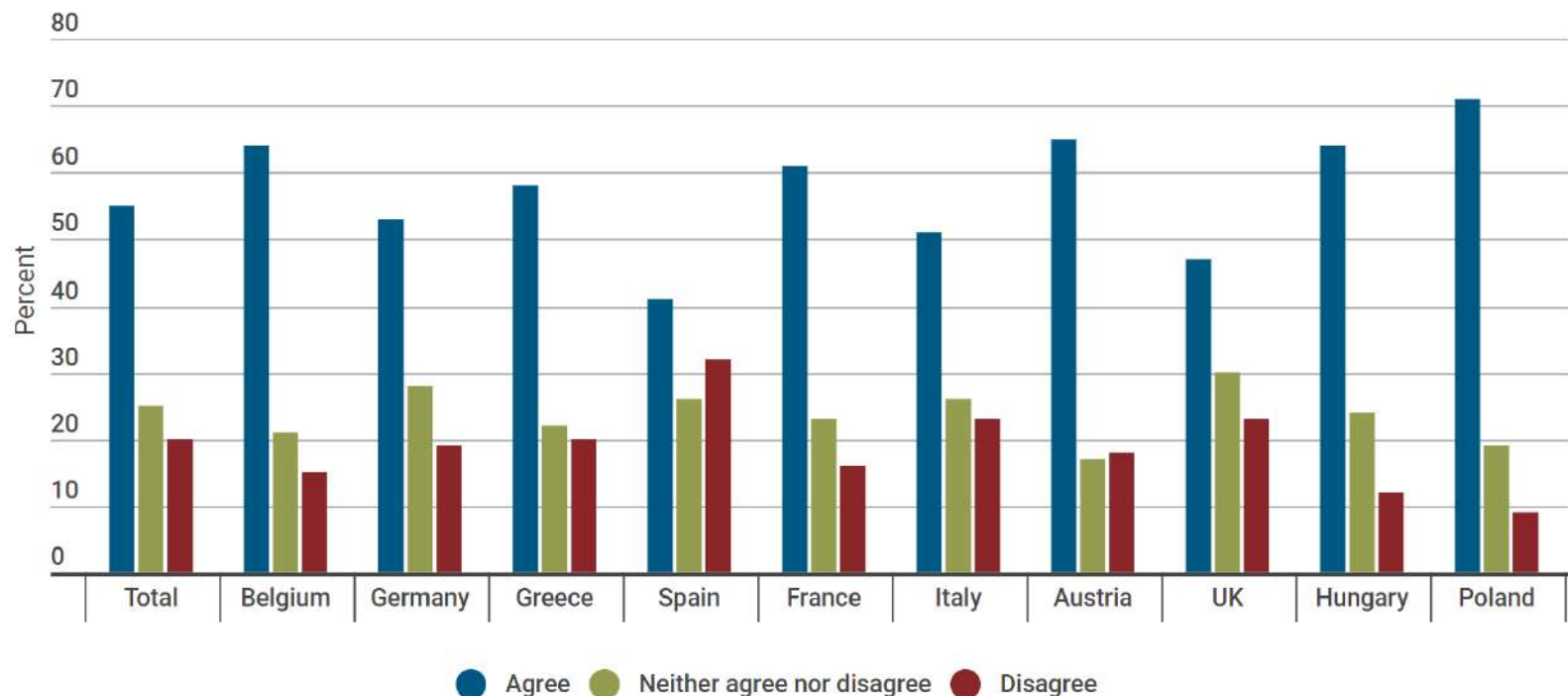


Source: <https://news.cgtn.com/news/3d597a4d3445444e/img/d4f46597-aa28-44bf-87f5-f0832f44f9cf.jpg>

# Plurality European Support for *Actual* Muslim Ban

## 'All further migration from mainly Muslim countries should be stopped'

Source: Chatham House, <https://www.chathamhouse.org/expert/comment/what-do-europeans-think-about-muslim-immigration>

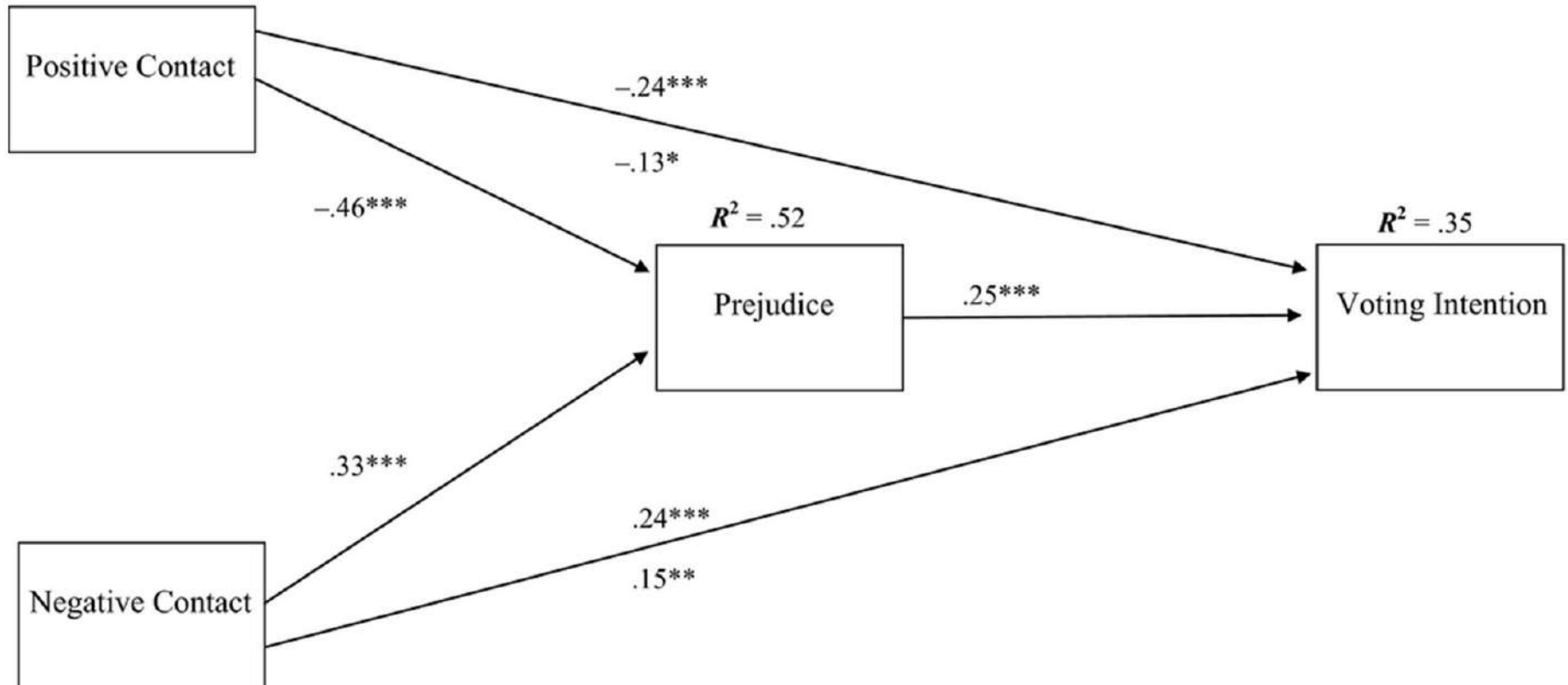


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# Immigration Views Drove Brexit Vote



# Germany's AfD Finishes in Third Place



## **'We Don't Like Islamic Invasion': The Leader of Germany's Rising Right Speaks Out**

Fresh off his election success, Alexander Gauland discusses refugees, German identity, and the legacy of the Nazis.

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Source: <https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2017/10/gauland-afd-germany/541530/>

# Conservative Parties Dominate in Austria



## Austria's leading election candidates target Muslims to score points

Austria's elections are in the homestretch. The topics of immigration, Islamization and refugees are dominating the campaign like never before – it has become a race between the right and the far-right.

# “Cultural Marxism”



# Report from OSCE HDIM 2017



Source: <http://www.dw.com/en/austrias-leading-election-candidates-target-muslims-to-score-points/a-40931812>

# Islamofauxbia

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# The Role of Russia

## IN CATALONIA, IS RUSSIA TRYING TO INFLUENCE ANOTHER VOTE?

### Catalan referendum stokes fears of Russian influence

Online activities designed to cast doubt on Europe's democratic processes, experts warn.

### How Russia Is Playing Catalonia To Get A Reprieve On Crimea

### Russia Accused of Meddling in Catalonia Independence Vote With Fake News

Allegations against Moscow follow similar claims about intervention in elections in the United States, France and Germany



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