If you consider a Widening Country organisation as a partner or host for your Marie Skłodowska-Curie project, THIS COUNTRY PROFILE IS FOR YOU!

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
### FACTS AND FIGURES

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#### The 5 most successful organisations in Horizon 2020 and MSCA (until June 2019)

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15 organisations in Bosnia and Herzegovina have already signed the Charter & Code: [https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/jobs/charter/declaration-endorsement](https://euraxess.ec.europa.eu/jobs/charter/declaration-endorsement)
MARIE SKŁODOWSKA-CURIE ACTIONS

Conduct research with an institution in Bosnia and Herzegovina!

9 researchers are already in Bosnia and Herzegovina with MSCA, will you become the next one?

Team up with an organisation in Bosnia and Herzegovina – 11 are already participating in MSCA.

MSCA key figures – country profile for Bosnia and Herzegovina:
▶ https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/msca-numbers_en

Check the next MSCA calls on the EC website:
▶ https://ec.europa.eu/research/mariecurieactions/node_en

Excellent MSCA IF proposals with host institutions from Bosnia and Herzegovina also have an automatic chance of getting funding under the Widening Fellowship Programme. Learn more:
▶ https://www.net4mobilityplus.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/N4M__flyer.pdf

Check out the success stories of the Widening countries under MSCA:
▶ https://www.net4mobilityplus.eu/widening-countries-success-stories/

Look for job opportunities and find out practical issues about Bosnia and Herzegovina with EURAXESS:
▶ https://www.euraxess.ba

If you need more information, contact the National Contact Point for Horizon 2020 of Bosnia and Herzegovina:
▶ https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/support/ncp

or the dedicated MSCA NCP: ▶ https://www.net4mobilityplus.eu/contacts/
NATIONAL MEASURES AND EXCELLENT ORGANISATIONS, ATTRACTING RESEARCHERS FROM ABROAD

The academic community in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) consists of more than 30 accredited higher education institutions (HEIs) - 8 public and 18 private universities. According to the Statistics Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in the academic year of 2017/2018 a total of 10,150 full-time teachers and associates were employed at higher education institutions in BiH and the total R&D expenditures (GERD) amounted to 0.26% of the GDP.

In 2008, within the Ministry of Civil Affairs of BiH, for the first time dedicated funds were approved for the field of science with the aim of encouraging the involvement of local research institutions in the international projects within the FP7, COST and EUREKA programmes through financial support. The grant "Programmes for project preparation and potential candidates for EU-H2020 funds" for 2018 amounted to close to €230,000. Complementary to this, there are other grants and awards funded (such as Grants for Innovators, Science awards) by Bosnia and Herzegovina’s Council for Science and entity level Ministries.

The NCP structure in Bosnia and Herzegovina and the EURAXESS network in BiH are very active in providing support to researchers. NCP BiH organises regular infodays, maintains a dedicated website and has also published two books in the local language to help domestic researchers to understand and participate in H2020.

Bosnia and Herzegovina has a network of clinics and hospitals that are connected with the universities. The Clinical Centres in Sarajevo, Banja Luka, Foča and Tuzla have international visibility due to their intensive scientific work and various successes in curing different diseases.
In Bosnia and Herzegovina there are three innovation and technology centres, which very actively provide professional assistance, coworking space and other services to those interested in the development of entrepreneurship and new business ideas through science and technology. These centres are Innovation Centre Banja Luka, INTERA Technology Park in Mostar, and BiT Centre Tuzla.

Bosnia and Herzegovina is a pearl of Europe comprising a variety of cultures, where the historical East meets the West. Due to its pristine nature and natural resources, BiH is one of the most beautiful European countries, hosting 3 of the oldest forests in Europe (Janj, Lom and Perućica) and 6 national parks (Sutjeska, Kozara, Una, Drina, Hutovo blato and Blidinje). Rivers cutting the high mountains create breathtaking landscapes and host sport events on wild waters, such as European and World Championships in Kayak/Canoes or rafting. Bosnia and Herzegovina is well known for its bridges from the Ottoman period: Old Bridge in Mostar, Mehmed-pasha Sokolović Bridge in Višegrad and Arslanagić Bridge in Trebinje.
Moreover, Bosnia and Herzegovina has a rich culture that has influenced other countries and was featured in various fields of human activity. It is the country that has produced two Nobel Prize winners, ▶ Vladimir Prelog (Chemistry, 1975) and ▶ Ivo Andrić (Literature, 1961), and two Oscar winners, ▶ Dušan Vukotić (1961) and ▶ Danis Tanović (2001). The capital city ▶ Sarajevo hosted the ▶ 14th Winter Olympic Games in 1984, which not only gathered young athletes from all over the world but also disseminated culture, peace and friendship.

▶ Sarajevo Film Festival is the leading film festival in the region, with a focus on the region of South-East Europe. Events such as DEMOFEST (demo bands), ▶ FRESH WAVE (World renowned DJs), ▶ MOTO FEST (R’n’R) and the famous ▶ Đurđevdanski festival (Childrens’ festival) are organised in ▶ Banja Luka.

In this country full of surprises, the pleasant and warm-hearted people will always welcome you with a smile and with open arms.

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