AGENDA

ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR EMPLOYMENT IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: LEARNING FROM EU MEMBER STATE REGIONS

ONLINE EVENT

23 March 2021, H. 10:00 – 12:00
OVERVIEW

In its preparations to join the European Union, Bosnia and Herzegovina will increasingly be required to accommodate EU employment policy, including mechanisms and procedures to interface employment developments at entity and state levels with those at EU level.

This project (case study and dissemination seminar), in cooperation with EU Delegation in Sarajevo, aims at supporting BiH policy officials in determining ways forward for establishing regional and country-wide priorities for employment. More specifically, this project focuses on employment policy developments in Belgium and Flanders, one of Belgium’s three regions, as possible learning references for BiH. The case study gives particular attention to the interfaces between regional, national and European institutions in the employment policy-making process. It also covers the monitoring and reporting of employment developments within Flanders and Belgium associated with the European Semester. The Semester is the EU’s annual employment policy monitoring and reporting exercise which BiH employment authorities will increasingly move towards as they build their institutional relationship with the European Union.

Building on the case study, the workshop will allow for BiH public employment officials to hear at first hand how both Belgium and Flanders successfully engage in the EU’s employment policy process, despite a complex governance architecture in the country. The workshop also allows for an exchange amongst BiH stakeholders on issues and options in moving forward with their own employment developments.
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Congress Service Centre                                                |
| 10:00 – 10:10| Welcome and objectives                                   | Nenad Novaković  
Head of Department for Labour & Employment  
Ljiljana Pandžić  
Programme Manager, EU Delegation |
| 10:10 - 10:30| The EU Semester & employment monitoring and reporting of EU Member States | Anthony Gribben  
European Training Foundation                                                 |
| 10:30-10:40 | Questions                                                 |                                                                           |
| 10:40 – 11:00| Employment Governance Arrangements in Belgium and Flanders | Niels de Block  
Human Capital Expert, Brussels.                                           |
| 11:00 - 11:15| Questions                                                 |                                                                           |
| 11:15 – 11:40| Employment developments in the Flanders Region and the European Semester | Niels de Block  
Human Capital Expert Brussels.                                           |
| 11:40 - 11:50| Questions                                                 |                                                                           |
| 11:50 -12.00| Conclusions and next steps                               | Nenad Novaković  
Ministry of Civil Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Ljiljana Pandžić  
Programme Manager, EU Delegation |
| 12.00        | Closure                                                   |                                                                           |