

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

ON ITS EUROPEAN PATH

TRADE & INVESTMENT



- The EU is Bosnia and Herzegovina's biggest trading partner
- € 275.7 million EU contribution to the total Foreign Direct Investment in 2018
- Volume of trade with the EU was €10.7 billion in 2018

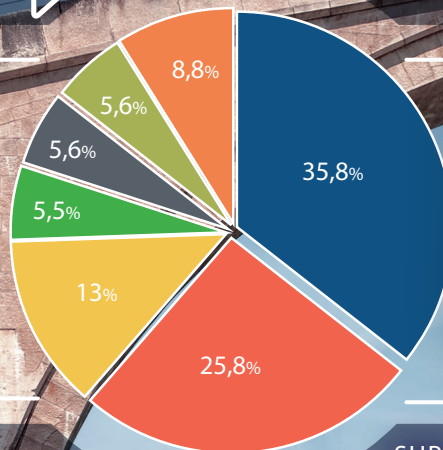


MOBILITY & EMPOWERMENT



- Visa-free travel to the Schengen area since December 2010
- In 2015-2018 over 5880 participants in student, academic and youth exchanges under Erasmus+
- €26 million in support to the civil society in 2014 – 2020

SUPPORT FOR KEY SECTORS 2014-2020 (€530 MILLION)



- Democracy and Governance
- Rule of Law Fundamental Rights
- Competitiveness and Innovation
- Environment (flood recovery)
- Transport
- Agriculture and Rural Development
- Education, Employment and Social Policies

EU FUNDING



- The EU is the largest provider of financial assistance to Bosnia and Herzegovina
- €1.1 billion in EU pre-accession funds (2007-2020), including est. €433 million from regional programmes
 - €2.4 billion in loans from European Investment Bank since 1999
 - €168.3 million in Western Balkans Investment Framework grants from the EU since 2009, leveraging loans for €1.1 billion and investments estimated at €3.3 billion

SUPPORTING TRANSFORMATION



- Strengthening democracy: Rule of Law, Justice and Fundamental rights
- Reforming public administration
- Strengthening competitiveness and supporting business development
- Working towards a cleaner environment and safer food

KEY MILESTONES

JULY 2008

Signature of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement & entry into force of the Interim Agreement on trade

DECEMBER 2010

Visa-free travel to Schengen area

JUNE 2015

Entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement

FEBRUARY 2016

Bosnia and Herzegovina submits EU membership application

MAY 2019

Commission Opinion to the EU Council on the EU membership application of Bosnia and Herzegovina

