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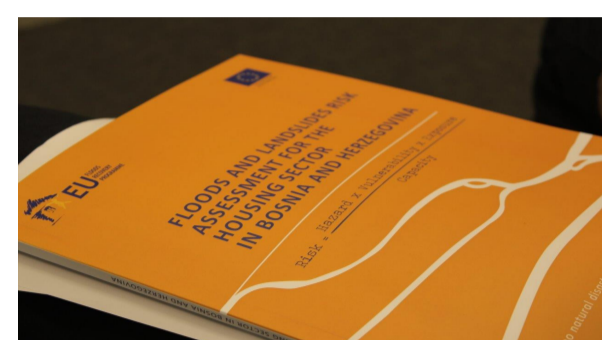


## IN FOCUS

### First meeting of Stabilisation and Association Council between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the EU



The Stabilisation and Association Council (SA Council) between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the European Union held its first meeting on 11 December 2015. The meeting was chaired by Ms Federica MOGHERINI, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs & Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission, in her capacity as President of the Foreign Affairs Council. [More...](#)



### The first study on Floods and Landslides Risk for the Housing Sector in BiH produced by the EU Floods Recovery Programme

This is the first multi-hazard risk assessment done in the country that provides information to all levels of government and enables them to develop future disaster risk reduction policies and decisions. It concludes that harmonisation of legislation and implementation of concrete measures are necessary for future floods and landslides preventions.



### EU facilitates changes to Anti-Discrimination Law in BiH

A conference on the BiH Anti-Discrimination Law was held on 15th December 2015 in Sarajevo. The aim of the conference was to present a gap analysis, and to draw up a list of recommendations as part of the technical support to the reform process. It was organised within a Framework Contract funded by the EU under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance, and implemented by B&S Europe experts.

## EU PROJECTS



### EU provides 149 housing units for vulnerable Roma families in BiH

This project has supported the socio-economic inclusion of Roma in BiH, through housing and socio-economic measures with proactive participation and financial support of local authorities. Total of 149 housing units for vulnerable Roma families were constructed/reconstructed in 14 cities/municipalities across BiH through this project.



### EU provides new equipment for Centre for social work in Šamac

The Centre for Social Work in Šamac, which was completely flooded and destroyed during 2014, received new equipment and furniture through the EU-funded project "Reinforcement of local democracy IV – LOD IV", on 8 December.

## News from the EU Info Centre



### Trebinje hosts exhibition of students' artworks and panel discussion on cultural and natural heritage

The EU Info Centre in BiH, in cooperation with the Academy of Fine Arts in Trebinje, organized an exhibition of students' artworks on the topic of cultural and natural heritage on 26 November. After the opening of the exhibition, visitors had the opportunity to participate in a panel discussion on the EU programmes in the area of cultural and natural heritage.



### Banja Luka hosts exhibition of students' artworks and panel discussion on water and environment

The EU Info Centre in BiH, in cooperation with the Art Academy in Banja Luka, organized a thematic exhibition of students' artworks on water and environment, on 3 December in Banja Luka. After the opening of the exhibition, visitors had the opportunity to participate in a panel discussion on the EU programmes in the area of water and environment.

## EU NEWS

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"Our credibility abroad as a champion of Human Rights depends on what we do here at home. If we don't guarantee the highest standards of Human Rights in Europe, our voice will not be heard"

ACTION PLAN ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY 2013-2019



### Declaration by the High Representative Federica Mogherini on behalf of the EU on Human Rights Day, 10 December 2015

This year, Human Rights Day launches a one-year celebration by the United Nations of the 50th anniversary of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR) and of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR), signed in 1966.



### Historic climate deal in Paris: EU leads global efforts

The deal is the culmination of years of efforts by the international community to bring about a universal multilateral agreement on climate change. Following limited participation in the Kyoto Protocol and the lack of agreement in Copenhagen in 2009, the EU has been building a broad coalition of developed and developing countries in favour of high ambition that shaped the successful outcome of the Paris conference.

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