

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

ON ITS EUROPEAN PATH

TRADE & INVESTMENT

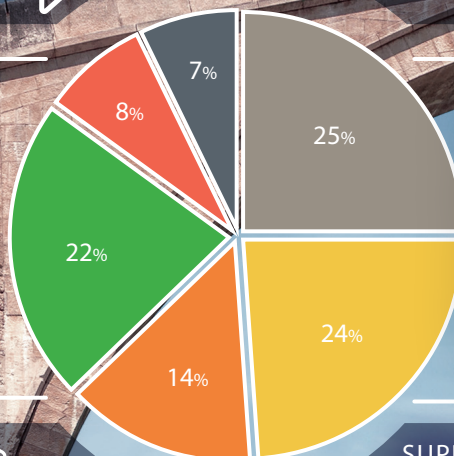
- The EU is Bosnia and Herzegovina's biggest trading partner
- € 228.6 million EU contribution to the total Foreign Direct Investment in 2016
- Volume of trade with the EU was €10.2 billion in 2017



MOBILITY & EMPOWERMENT

- Visa-free travel to the EU since December 2010
- In 2015-2016 over 5160 participants in student, academic and youth exchanges under Erasmus+
- €9.1 million in support to the civil society in 2014 – 2017

SUPPORT FOR KEY SECTORS 2014-2017 (€237.2 MILLION)



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

EU FUNDING

- The EU is the largest provider of financial assistance to Bosnia and Herzegovina
- €690 million in EU pre-accession funds (2007-2017)
 - €2.2 billion provided in European Investment Bank loans since 1999
 - €122 million in Western Balkans Investment Framework grants since 2009, leveraging investments estimated at €2.8 billion
 - €51 million in disaster relief after the 2014 floods
 - €10 million in support to refugees under the Regional Housing Programme

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

Entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Interim Agreement

DECEMBER 2010

Entry into force of visa liberalisation

JUNE 2015

Entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement

FEBRUARY 2016

BiH submits EU-membership application

SEPTEMBER 2016

Council invites the Commission to submit an Opinion on Bosnia and Herzegovina application

