

# NEWSLETTER

## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

### NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte Visits Sarajevo, Reaffirms Support for Bosnia and Herzegovina

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte paid a visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina on March 10th, 2025, and held high-level meetings with the members of the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Chairwoman of the Council of Ministers, the Minister and Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Minister and Deputy Ministers of Defense, the Acting Minister of Security, the Commander of NATO Headquarters Sarajevo, the High Representative for BiH, and the Commander of the EUFOR mission.

During his visit, Secretary General Rutte called on political leaders to uphold peace, constitutional order, and the integrity of state institutions, reiterating that any attempts to undermine the Dayton Agreement are unacceptable. He stressed that NATO would not allow a security vacuum in Bosnia and Herzegovina and reaffirmed the Alliance's active support to BiH's defense and security structures.

The visit took place shortly after the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina adopted the 2024 Reform Programme at its 72nd session, underscoring the country's continued engagement in NATO's Partnership for Peace framework. The programme demonstrates BiH's institutional commitment to coordinated reforms at all levels of government and was submitted to NATO Headquarters by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Secretary General Rutte welcomed this progress and expressed NATO's readiness to deepen cooperation through the Political Cell, Defense Capacity Building Package, and continued support to a unified BiH Armed Forces.

### Deputy Foreign Minister Josip Brkić Highlights Reform Progress and Strategic Priorities at 13th Session of the Joint Committee on Defense and Security



Deputy Foreign Minister Brkić at the 13th session of the Joint Committee on Defense and Security



Meeting with NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte

Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Chair of the BiH Commission for Cooperation with NATO, Mr. Josip Brkić, participated in the 13th session of the Joint Committee on Defense and Security on March 25, 2025. The session focused on BiH's ongoing cooperation with NATO, the status of the Reform Programme, and future priorities. Brkić underscored the unanimous adoption of the 2024 Reform Programme by the Council of Ministers and confirmed its submission to NATO Headquarters in Brussels. He emphasized the need to initiate self-assessments of the 2023 and 2024 Reform Programmes and to begin drafting the 2025 Reform Programme, reiterating NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte's strong support for BiH's sovereignty and continued engagement with the Alliance.

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## Minister Konaković met with EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Kaja Kallas

Minister Konaković emphasized that Bosnia and Herzegovina's membership in the EU stays a strategic goal and foreign policy priority of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and that Bosnia and Herzegovina continues to fully align its foreign policy with the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy. He emphasized that Bosnia and Herzegovina is currently facing a complex political situation and called on European partners to support the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as peace and stability, which can only be preserved by protecting the constitutional order of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

High Representative Kallas emphasized that Bosnia and Herzegovina shown dedicated work in harmonizing the reform agenda and commitment to the European path in the past two years. Considering the current political circumstances in Bosnia and Herzegovina, she stressed that the European Union will not allow the progress achieved to be compromised.

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**Minister Elmedin Konaković with EU High Representative Kaja Kallas**



**Minister Elmedin Konaković with Chairperson of the OSCE and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Finland Elina Valtonen**

## OSCE Chairperson Valtonen Reaffirms Support for Bosnia and Herzegovina's Sovereignty

OSCE Chairperson-in-Office and Finnish Foreign Minister Elina Valtonen held high-level talks focused on strengthening democratic institutions, regional cooperation, and Bosnia and Herzegovina's European path. Minister Elmedin Konaković welcomed the visit as a reflection of strong bilateral ties between Bosnia and Herzegovina and Finland and underlined the importance of continued OSCE engagement in addressing political challenges. He emphasized Bosnia and Herzegovina's firm commitment to European integration process, rule of law, multilateralism, and the need for sustained economic development for the benefit of its citizens.

Minister Valtonen reiterated Finland's and the OSCE's full support for the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and democratic progress of Bosnia and Herzegovina. She emphasized the importance of constructive political dialogue, the elimination of corruption, and building institutional resilience. Both sides agreed on the need to uphold democratic values, legal norms, and international commitments in order to secure long-term stability and prosperity in the region.

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**Meeting at the MFA**







## The Independence Day of Bosnia and Herzegovina



**Brussels**

Organized by the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Ambassador Erol Avdović hosted an Independence Day reception in Brussels. The event brought together over 200 distinguished guests.



**Stockholm**

On Bosnia and Herzegovina's Independence Day, a reception was held in the Swedish Parliament, where Ambassador Bojan Šošić addressed attendees, emphasizing the importance of agency in upholding the rule of law and democratic values amid global unrest.



**Copenhagen**

The Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Copenhagen, in cooperation with the Ministry of Trade, Tourism and Environmental Protection of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton (HNK), and the Tourist Board of the Herzegovina-Neretva Canton, organized a ceremonial reception to mark the Independence Day of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The ceremony also included a presentation of the tourist and gastronomic offer of the HNK, as well as an exhibition of paintings by BiH photographer Dženad Džino. While welcoming the guests, Ambassador Kundurović Miljak emphasized the significance of Independence Day in the recent history of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the importance of strengthening ties and economic cooperation between BiH and the Kingdom of Denmark.



**Prague**

The Independence Day of Bosnia and Herzegovina was celebrated in Prague, organized by the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Czech Republic, with prominent members of the Bosnian-Herzegovinian community in the Czech Republic, as well as the newly appointed Honorary Consul of BiH, Tarik Altumbabić, and friends from the political life of the Czech Republic. Ambassador Martina Mlinarević addressed the attendees, recalling the importance of the Independence Day of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the great sacrifice that our country paid for freedom and independence.



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## Minister Elmedin Konaković hosted Iftar for the diplomatic corps

This Ramadan, Ministry of Foreign Affairs had the honor of hosting Iftar for the diplomatic corps, uniting heads of diplomatic missions, international organizations at the historic Bosniak Institute in Sarajevo.

A night of unity, dialogue, and mutual respect — reinforcing our shared commitment to cooperation, understanding, and stronger global ties.







## Minister Konaković Meets with Karen Pierce, the UK Special Envoy to the Western Balkans

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Elmedin Konaković, met with Karen Pierce, the UK Special Envoy to the Western Balkans, to discuss the current political situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina. As a longstanding friend and ally, the UK reaffirmed its strong support for Bosnia and Herzegovina's sovereignty and territorial integrity.



**Minister Elmedin Konaković with Karen Pierce, the UK Special Envoy to the Western Balkans**



**Report at the OSCE Permanent Council in Vienna**

## Annual report on Bosnia and Herzegovina presented to OSCE Permanent Council

At the regular session of the OSCE Permanent Council on March 27, 2025, the Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina Ambassador Brian Aggeler presented the annual report on Bosnia and Herzegovina, receiving strong support from numerous participating states. Ambassador Danka Savić, Bosnia and Herzegovina's Permanent Representative, highlighted the importance of the OSCE Mission's role in upholding democratic institutions and thanked member states for their clear stance against efforts to undermine the country's constitutional order. She emphasized the need for continued international engagement in defending BiH's sovereignty, security, and progress toward the European Union.

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## Minister Elmedin Konaković met with representatives of the Service for Foreigners' Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Employers' Association of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Union of Employers' Associations of Republika Srpska

The meeting addressed current labor market challenges in Bosnia and Herzegovina, with a focus on streamlining procedures for the employment of foreign workers. Discussions emphasized the need for administrative efficiency, consular support, and safeguards against procedural misuse.

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**Discussion on labor market needs and facilitation of foreign worker employment in BiH**



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## Strategic NATO Relations in Focus as Minister Konaković Meets Senior Alliance Officials

Minister Elmedin Konaković held a high-level meeting with Brigadier General Matthew Valas and Ambassador Vladimir Vučinić to advance cooperation between Bosnia and Herzegovina and NATO. Discussions focused on the political landscape in BiH and the shared commitment to strengthening democratic institutions, security structures, and defense reforms. Both sides underscored the strategic importance of deepening NATO-BiH partnership in support of long-term stability and integration goals.



**Minister Konaković with Brigadier General Valas and the Head of NATO Department for Political Activities and Support Ambassador Vučinić**

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**Minister Elmedin Konaković with RCC Secretary General Kapetanović**

## Strengthening Regional Cooperation: Minister Konaković Meets with RCC Secretary General Kapetanović

Minister Elmedin Konaković met with Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) Secretary General Amer Kapetanović to highlight Bosnia and Herzegovina's continued dedication to regional cooperation and EU integration. They emphasized the RCC's key role in supporting the Berlin Process and implementing the Common Regional Market 2. The meeting reaffirmed mutual commitment to initiatives that foster economic growth and social progress across the Western Balkans.

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## Bosnia and Herzegovina and IOM Deepen Strategic Dialogue on Migration Governance and EU Integration

Minister Elmedin Konaković and International Organization for Migration (IOM) Regional Director Arthur Erken engaged in a substantive exchange on migration governance, with a focus on aligning future cooperation with Bosnia and Herzegovina's EU integration priorities. The Minister acknowledged IOM's pivotal role in past humanitarian operations and ongoing support to migration management structures, particularly temporary reception centers. Both parties emphasized the importance of expanding trilateral coordination with the EU, especially in relation to Chapters 23 and 24 of the *acquis communautaire*.

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**Minister Konaković with IOM Regional Director Arthur Erken**





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## Ambassador Emin Čohodarević met with the Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif

Prime Minister Sharif said that Pakistan and Bosnia and Herzegovina have a long and enduring history of friendly relations and mutual respect and stressed Pakistan's unreserved support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina. During the talks, a clear intention and importance to maintain close cooperation with Bosnia and Herzegovina were expressed. The meeting discussed topics of mutual interest and proposed modalities for concretizing bilateral cooperation.

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**Ambassador Čohodarević with Prime Minister of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif**



**Ambassador Mlinarević with Martin Dvorak Minister for Europe of the Czech Republic**

## Ambassador Martina Mlinarević met with Martin Dvorak, Minister for Europe of the Czech Republic

Minister Dvorak expressed full support for the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as our country's European path. Ambassador Mlinarević thanked the Czech Army for its support to EUFOR in BiH, which has sent 150 of its soldiers to our country in recent weeks. Interlocutors agreed that preserving peace is a priority for Bosnia and Herzegovina to overcome the current situation and continue fulfilling its tasks with a focus on European integration. Minister Dvorak also confirmed his presence at this year's commemoration of the genocide in Srebrenica.

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## Newly appointed Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the State of Qatar Ahmet Halilović held his final presentation

The Head of the MFA Office for Diplomatic Training Sanja Vidović presented an overview of Ambassador-Designate Ahmet Halilović's distinguished diplomatic career to those in attendance. Ambassador-Designate Ahmet Halilović is a seasoned career diplomat and a long-standing member of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Prior to his appointment as Ambassador, he served for several years as the Assistant Minister for General Affairs within the Ministry. During the presentation, Ambassador-Designate Halilović discussed the current state of foreign relations, including political, economic, and humanitarian cooperation between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the State of Qatar. He also shared his vision and strategic plan for the activities of the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Doha during his forthcoming mandate.



**Ambassador Halilović final presentation at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**





**OSCE Workshop on Gender Considerations in Cyber/ICT Security at the MFA Bosnia and Herzegovina**

## Ministry of Foreign Affairs hosted the OSCE Workshop on Gender Considerations in Cyber/ICT Security

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina hosted a two-day OSCE Workshop on Gender Issues in Cybersecurity on March 25–26, 2025. The event was organized in cooperation with the OSCE and supported by the British Embassy in Sarajevo. Opening remarks were given by British Ambassador Julian Reilly, OSCE Deputy Head of Mission Thomas Bush, and Aida Hodžić, Acting Assistant Minister for Multilateral Affairs.

The workshop focused on gender issues in international relations, emphasizing their importance in foreign policy and cybersecurity. Discussions covered gender equality in cybersecurity, women's role in decision-making, and leadership in international organizations. OSCE's 16 cyber confidence-building measures were presented, along with regional and international initiatives to empower women in the field. A guided practical exercise was also held.

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## Ministry of Foreign Affairs and UNODA Host Workshop on Biological Weapons Convention Implementation

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, in cooperation with the UN Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA), organized a two-day workshop in Sarajevo to strengthen national understanding and implementation of the Biological Weapons Convention (BWC). The event aimed to raise awareness among BiH institutions about obligations under the Convention, encourage regional and international cooperation, and promote the exchange of best practices.

Acting Assistant Minister Aida Hodžić highlighted the growing threat of biological weapons and the importance of building institutional capacity to prevent their misuse. The workshop, supported by the UK Government, featured remarks from international experts and reaffirmed the global commitment to biosafety, non-proliferation, and upholding the prohibition of biological weapons.

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**Workshop on Biological Weapons Convention Implementation**



**Ms. Emina Merdan at the 10th OEWG Session**

## Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the 10th OEWG Session

On February 20, 2025, the EU and Western Balkans representatives met during the 10th OEWG session to strengthen cooperation on cybersecurity and international security. The focus was on enhancing coordination in multilateral negotiations, including within the OEWG on ICTs. Ms. Emina Merdan, Head of Department for European Union at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs participated through the Women in International Security and Cyberspace (WiC) Fellowship, contributing to discussions on threats, confidence-building, and capacity-building.





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## Strengthening political dialogue with the European Union and its institutions

On February 10, 2025, the EU Department of the MFA BIH held a meeting with Heinke Veit, Deputy Head of the Department for Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina (European Commission DG ENEST) and the Delegation of the European Union in Bosnia and Herzegovina. During the meeting EU officials emphasized that the European Union actively supports Bosnia and Herzegovina to the greatest extent possible, reaffirming Bosnia and Herzegovina's place in the EU as undisputable.

The EU's strong active role in Bosnia and Herzegovina with a view to monitoring progress in meeting key priorities, implementing reforms, and aligning the legislation with EU acquis remains unquestionable. In this context, it was underlined that the appointment of the Chief Negotiator and the negotiation team is crucial for the successful start of the negotiation process, with a focus on further aligning legislation with the acquis. It was also pointed out that Bosnia and Herzegovina must seize the current momentum to continue advancing on its European path.



**The Steering Committee Meeting of the Network of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the Western Balkans Region**

## Regional Cooperation in the context of the acceleration of the process of the European Integration

The Steering Committee Meeting of the Network of the Ministries of Foreign Affairs of the Western Balkans Region was held in Skopje, with the support of GIZ Regional Cooperation for EU Integration program (RCEI). The implementation of the activities outlined in the Operational Plan for 2024, planning activities for the Berlin Process 2025 and the involvement of the MFA Network in its preparatory activities, as well as the exchange of views on current issues related to the MFA Network were discussed at the meeting.

Regarding the Berlin Process coordination platform, participants highlighted the importance of establishing collaboration with the new host of the 2025 Berlin Process Summit (UK) to effectively coordinate and plan MFA Network meetings and prepare for the Summit. It was proposed to hold two BP coordination meetings: the first in early April in Sarajevo, in coordination with representatives from the UK, to discuss their priorities and align the future involvement of the MFA Network in BP preparations and second, in Podgorica in cooperation with the BP host. It was also emphasized that the Regional Cooperation Council (RCC) should be invited to participate in these coordination meetings. After the Steering Committee meeting in Skopje, a joint meeting of the MFA-GIZ-RCC was held in Sarajevo, where it was agreed that the first coordination meeting will be held on April 7 at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Steering Committee meeting was concluded with elaboration on the 2025 draft operational plan for the MFA Network.



**MFA Representatives at the Seminar on EU Rapprochement and Integration**

## 6th Executive Seminar on EU Rapprochement and Integration

From March 10 to 28, 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs representatives, Ida Rešidbegović and Ivan Bagarić participated in the 6th Executive Seminar on EU Rapprochement and Integration, organized by the German Federal Foreign Office. The seminar brought together diplomats from the Western Balkans, Moldova, Turkey, and Ukraine to exchange perspectives on EU integration, foreign policy, and regional security. Held in Berlin, Brussels, and Vilnius, the program included visits to key institutions and meetings with senior officials and experts. The seminar also featured training in mediation and public speaking, fostering dialogue and cooperation among candidate countries.

## Workshop on Cyber Diplomacy

On March 17, 2025, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, with strong support from the European Union, hosted a Workshop on Cyber Diplomacy. The event gathered representatives from the MFA and other institutions to exchange insights on international norms, conflict prevention, and digital inclusion in cyberspace. Speakers from the MFA, EU, OSCE, and EEAS emphasized the need for BiH to align its legislation with the EU acquis and highlighted the role of alliances in addressing cyber and hybrid threats. The EU's strategic approach to cyber diplomacy, viewing cyberspace as a key aspect of foreign and security policy, was presented in detail.



**Workshop on Cyber Diplomacy at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs**



**Cyber Diplomacy**

## The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina continues its intensified engagement in cyber diplomacy domain

From February 3–5, 2025, Bosnia and Herzegovina participated in an OSCE-organized study visit to the Netherlands focused on cyber diplomacy and cybersecurity cooperation. Representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Security engaged with peers from the Western Balkans and Eastern Europe, visiting key Dutch institutions and private sector actors to exchange best practices and explore collaboration.

The visit was part of the OSCE's Confidence-Building Measures initiative to enhance digital trust and resilience. On February 6, the MFA of BiH hosted consultations with the European Commission, RCC, and IISG to identify cybersecurity needs in the Western Balkans. The discussions covered governance, legal frameworks, cybercrime, digital education, and institutional capacity-building.







**Francophonie Days in Bosnia and Herzegovina**

## Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Young Diplomats Club Participate in Launch of Francophonie Days in Bosnia and Herzegovina

As part of the opening of Francophonie Days in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs participated in the Francophonie Gastronomic Evening organized by the Embassies of France, Belgium, Switzerland, Romania, and Bulgaria. For the first time, the Ministry's Young Diplomats Club took part in the event with a dedicated stand, promoting domestic companies and locally produced goods, emphasizing Bosnia and Herzegovina's cultural and economic presence within the Francophone community.

Mr. Dražen Gagulić, Head of the Department for Economic Multilateralism and Reconstruction at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, addressed the audience on behalf of the Ministry, alongside the ambassadors of the organizing countries, reaffirming Bosnia and Herzegovina's commitment to multilateralism and international cooperation. The event brought together diplomats, officials, and guests in a spirit of cultural dialogue. It also marked a valuable platform for youth engagement in public diplomacy. The participation of the Young Diplomats Club reflected a forward-looking approach to promoting Bosnia and Herzegovina's values and potential abroad.



**Young Diplomats Club at the Francophonie Days in Sarajevo**



**Ambassador Limo at the Annual diplomatic reception in Singapore**

## Annual diplomatic reception in Singapore

Armin Limo, the Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to Singapore, with residence in Jakarta, participated in the traditional annual diplomatic reception for the diplomatic corps in Singapore and for non-resident ambassadors to Singapore, which was held on March 13, 2025. The hosts of the reception were the President of Singapore Mr. Tharman Shanmugaratnam and the Prime Minister of Singapore Mr. Lawrence Wong. During his stay in Singapore, the Ambassador visited the premises of the future Honorary Consulate of Bosnia and Herzegovina and met with the newly appointed Honorary Consul of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Singapore, Mr. Daniel Cheah Tien, a prominent local businessman. They discussed the possibilities of improvement of bilateral relations between Bosnia and Herzegovina and Singapore.





## Algerian Ambassador Presents copies of Credentials at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina

At the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the newly appointed Ambassador of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mohammed Meraimi, presented copies of credence to the Head of the Department for Diplomatic Protocol, Mirsad Bešić, on Monday, March 17, 2025.



**Ambassador Mohammed Meraimi with Mirsad Bešić, Head of Diplomatic Protocol**



**The American Balkan Chamber of Commerce meeting in New York**

## Inaugural Meeting of the American Balkan Chamber of Commerce

The American Balkan Chamber of Commerce held its launch event in New York on March 27, 2025. The Bosnia and Herzegovina delegation, led by the Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United States of America, Sven Alkalaj, brought together successful business leaders from Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Bosnian diaspora in the United States. At this important event, which aims to strengthen economic and trade cooperation of the entire Region with the United States of America, Ambassador Alkalaj gave a presentation on the panel on the topic 'Connecting Business: Strategies for Cross-Border Success'.

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## Ambassador Vesna Andree Zaimović spoke about women's leadership in BiH at two international conferences

Ambassador Vesna Andree Zaimović participated in two conferences in Madrid and Seville focused on SDG 5.5 and women's equal participation in public life, marking International Women's Day. The events were accompanied by a special issue of *Diplomacia siglo XXI*, featuring her article, "The Path to Stronger Women's Leadership – Let the Circle Not Be Broken." In it, she highlighted positive trends in women's leadership in BiH and the WEDIN BiH network as a model example.

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**Ambassador Vesna Andree Zaimović spoke about women's leadership in BiH**







**Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Prague at the Czechia's Diplomacy Week 2025**

## Bosnia and Herzegovina Strengthens Diplomatic and Academic Engagement During Diplomacy Week in the Czech Republic

In the framework of Czechia's Diplomacy Week 2025, the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Prague held a formal presentation at Mendel University in Brno, hosted by the Faculty of Forestry and Wood Technology. Ms. Adisa Mujkić addressed students and faculty, reflecting on the practice of diplomacy, BiH's foreign policy objectives, and the depth of bilateral relations with the Czech Republic.

Honorary Consul Tarik Altumbabić highlighted opportunities for strengthening economic ties through business cooperation between BiH and Czech entities. The visit included a meeting with the Faculty's leadership, who praised longstanding academic collaboration with forestry faculties in Sarajevo and Banja Luka, and expressed interest in expanding cooperation to include wood technology and applied research.

## The Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Madrid and the Honorary Consulate of Bosnia and Herzegovina for the Canary Islands organized a concert by the Guitar Duo of the Sarajevo Music Academy

Announcing the concert, Honorary Consul Angel Quintero emphasized: "The Honorary Consulate of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Canary Islands, as well as the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Madrid, always keep their doors open to projects that promote cooperation in the fields of culture, economy and tourism. Although we are thousands of kilometers apart, we are united by common interests, projects for the benefit of citizens and the long-standing friendship between the Kingdom of Spain and Bosnia and Herzegovina."



**Chamber ensemble composed of prof. Ćani Šehu - guitar, prof. Adnan Alagić - guitar and prof. Dario Kos - percussion**

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**Faculty of Philosophy Zagreb**

## University of Zagreb Award Ceremony

At the award ceremony of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb in Zagreb, held on 21 February 2025, the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina received a certificate of appreciation for its long-standing support and cooperation in strengthening intercultural and academic ties. The high award was presented by Domagoj Tončinić, Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb. On behalf of the Embassy, the award was received by Ms. Elma Kovačević-Bajtal, Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Republic of Croatia.





## Literary evening with the ambassadors of Bosnia and Herzegovina and North Macedonia

The Lastavica Cultural Center in Prague hosted a book presentation by the Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina Martina Mlinarević and the Ambassador of North Macedonia Emil Krsteski. With a large number of guests present, the ambassadors presented their literary work, spoke about their works and the way they harmonize and coordinate literature with diplomacy. The participants of this event had an opportunity to ask the ambassadors questions about both their literary work and their diplomatic work.



Literary evening with the ambassadors



Ambassador Čolaković at the training workshop

## Specialized training workshop within the implementation of the project "Fighting Illicit Trafficking in Cultural Goods in the Western Balkans"

The Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Republic of Turkey, Mirsada Čolaković, participated in a workshop for specialized training of representatives of ministries of culture, law enforcement and judicial institutions from the Western Balkans, namely from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, North Macedonia and Montenegro, as part of the implementation of the project entitled "Fighting Illicit Trafficking in Cultural Property in the Western Balkans", funded by the European Commission (DG EAC).

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## The exhibition "Dah Crte - Bezier Curve" opened at the Cultural and Information Center of the Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Zagreb

The Ambassador of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the Republic of Croatia, Elma Kovačević-Bajtal, addressed the audience with a message of congratulations to the citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina on Independence Day. The celebration and accompanying exhibition were attended by representatives of Croatian state institutions and the City of Zagreb, religious leaders, prominent figures from Croatia's public and cultural life, as well as members of associations and communities with roots in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

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"Dah crte-Bezierova krivulja"





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### Celebrating 20 Years of UNESCO Recognition and the Legacy of the Old Bridge

The historic city of Mostar, nestled in the valley of the Neretva River, flourished as an Ottoman frontier town in the 15th and 16th centuries and further evolved under Austro-Hungarian rule in the 19th and 20th centuries. Renowned for its distinctive architecture and rich cultural heritage, Mostar derives its name from the iconic Old Bridge, Stari Most, a masterpiece of Ottoman engineering and a timeless symbol of the city. Marking 20 years since its inscription on the UNESCO World Heritage List, the reconstructed Old Bridge and Old City of Mostar continue to stand as powerful symbols of reconciliation, international solidarity, and the enduring coexistence of diverse cultural, ethnic, and religious communities.



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### Tourist potentials of Bosnia and Herzegovina presented in a prestigious Czech magazine

Just before the tourist season, the prestigious Czech magazine Zeme Sveta dedicated its spring edition to Bosnia and Herzegovina. On more than 80 pages of excellent reports and travelogues accompanied by beautiful photographs, Bosnia and Herzegovina is presented in an exceptional way for the Czech market and Czech tourists. The Embassy of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Prague will also organize a special presentation of the magazine for distinguished Czech guests.



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