

DRAFT AGENDA¹



Small Business Act Assessment for the Western Balkans and Turkey (2016-19)

Reconciliation meeting

Tuesday, 5 June 2018

RS Government Administrative Centre
Conference Room,
Trg Republike Srpske 1, Banja Luka



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RECONCILIATION MEETING

THE SBA ASSESSMENT FOR THE WESTERN BALKANS AND TURKEY (2016-19)

9:00 -15:00

Set-up and objective

The reconciliation meeting will consist of an opening plenary session (9:00 – 09:45), followed by bilateral meetings by policy dimension with the relevant assessors from Republika Srpska (from relevant ministries, agencies and statistical office) and non-government stakeholders (10:00 – 15:00).

The three main objectives of the meeting are to (1) close any remaining information gaps in the SBA questionnaire and the statistical sheet; (2) compare divergences between the government and the independent SBA assessment and align the government and the independent assessment findings and (3) to provide a project update and to outline the next steps.

AGENDA PLENARY OPENING SESSION

09:00 - 09:30 **Opening remarks** **Room TBC**

- **Mr. Zoran Savić**, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining, the RS SBA Co-ordinator
- **Ms. Marzena Kisielewska**, Head of OECD South East Europe Division

09:30 - 09:45 **Overview of SBA assessment process and of qualitative and quantitative data gaps**

- **Mr. Umur Gökçe**, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division

Questions and answers

09:45 - 10:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

DIMENSION-SPECIFIC BILATERAL MEETINGS

For each policy dimension, government representatives, non-government stakeholders, OECD and EBRD experts along with the independent consultant will discuss the remaining information gaps and discrepancies between the government self-assessment and the independent assessment. During each session,

- *The OECD/EBRD analysts will give a short presentation to introduce each main topic of discussion*
- *Each introduction will be followed by a number of questions from the OECD analyst to guide participants in a broader discussion of the main topic.*

10:00 – 12:00 **Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 3: Institutional and regulatory framework for SME policy making** **Room TBC**

- **Ms. Milka Latinčić**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Institutional Framework*)
- **Mr. Jovan Blagojević**, Ministry for Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation (*RIA*)
- **Ms. Nikolina Dorončić Alibabić**, Chamber of Commerce of the Republika Srpska (*PPC*)
- **Mr. Željko Popović**, Crafts and Entrepreneurship Chamber of the Republika Srpska (*PPC*)
- **Ms. Jovana Pavlović**, SME Policy Expert

10:00 - 12:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 2: Bankruptcy and second chance** Room TBC

- **Ms. Jovana Vučković**, Ministry of Justice (*Bankruptcy*)
- **Ms. Jelena Ivošević**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Second Chance*)
- **Mr. Mladen Lazić**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Bankruptcy*)
- **Mr. Ali-Fuad Turgut**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

10:00 - 12:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 5a: Support services for SMEs and start-ups** Room TBC

- **Ms. Marica Berić**, SME Development Agency of the Republika Srpska (*Business Support, Government Initiatives*)
- **Ms. Milka Latinčić**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Business Support, Government Initiatives*)
- **Dr. Anita Šimundža**, Gender center of the Republika Srpska, (*Support for Women Entrepreneurs*)
- **Ms. Višnja Popović**, Director, Miltex d.o.o, Banja Luka
- **Mr. Martin Kohtze**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

10:00 - 12:00 Assessment reconciliation: **Dimension 6: Access to Finance** Room TBC

- **Mr. Jasenko Nedinić and Ms. Jelena Orašanin** Office for geodetic and property affairs (*Cadastral*)
- **Ms. Maja Perić, Ms. Žaklina Tica and Ms. Nataša Atlagić** Ministry of Finance (*Stock Exchange, Credit Bureau, Banking, Microfinance, Leasing, Factoring, Financial Literacy*)
- **Ms. Gordana Stanivuković**, Banking Agency of the RS (*Banking, Microfinance, Leasing, Factoring, Financial Literacy*)
- **Ms. Dragana Tučić**, Investment and Development Bank of the RS (*Bank financing*)
- **Mr. Radivoja Krčmar**, Guarantee fund of the RS (*Bank financing*)
- **Ms. Dragana Lukić**, Ministry of Education and Culture (*Financial Literacy*)
- **Mr. Christian Cronauer**, Associate, EBRD

10:00 - 12:00	Assessment reconciliation: <u>Dimension 8b: Innovation</u>	Room TBC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Goran Goranović, Ministry of Science and Technology (<i>Innovation policy, Technology for SMEs, Intellectual Property</i>) • Ms. Milka Latinčić, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (<i>Innovation policy</i>) • Mr. Drago Gverić, Innovation Center Banja Luka (<i>Innovation policies, support services</i>) • Ms. Jelena Đokić, Statistical Office • Ms. Marica Berić, SME Development Agency of the Republika Srpska (<i>Funds for Innovation, Support services, Institutional cooperation</i>) • Mr. Umur Gökçe, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division 		
12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH	
13:00 - 15:00	Assessment reconciliation: <u>Dimension 4: Operational environment for SMEs</u>	Room TBC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Miroslav Radinković, Agency for IT Society (<i>Digital administration</i>) • Ms. Nataša Blagojević Tax Administration of the Republika Srpska (<i>Digital administration, Procedures for fulfilling tax obligations for SME</i>) • Mr. Jasenko Nedinić and Ms. Jelena Orašanić Office for geodetic and property affairs (<i>Digital administration</i>) • Ms. Jelena Đokić, Statistical Office of the RS (<i>Digital administration</i>) • Mr. Nikola Jovanović, Agency for Intermediary, IT and financial services (<i>Digital administration, Registration</i>) • Mr. Jovan Blagojević, Ministry for Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation (<i>Business Licencing</i>) • Ms. Jovana Vučković, Ministry of Justice (<i>Registration</i>) • Mr. Mladen Lazić, Ministry of industry, energy and mining (Registration) • Ms. Višnja Popović, Director, Miltex d.o.o, Banja Luka • Mr. Ali-Fuad Turgut, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division 		
13:00 - 15:00	Assessment reconciliation: <u>Dimension 7: Standards and Technical Regulations</u>	Room TBC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Jovan Blagojević, Ministry for Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation (Export promotion, Harmonization with the EU acquis) • Ms. Dubravka Pecalj, Institute for Standardization and Metrology of RS (<i>Standardization, Conformity Assessment, Metrology, Access to standardization for SMEs</i>) • Ms. Dijana Vidović, Ministry of industry, energy and mining (<i>Standardization, Metrology, Access to standardization for SMEs</i>) 		

- **Mr. Nebojša Božić**, Office for Inspection Affairs (*Market Supervision*)
- **Ms. Nikolina Dorontić Alibabić**, Chamber of Commerce of the RS (*Access to Standardization for SMEs*)
- **Ms. Jelena Ivošević**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Standardization, Metrology, Access to Standardization for SMEs*)
- **Mr. Umur Gökçe**, Project Manager, OECD South East Europe Division
- **Ms. Claudia Koch**, Standards and Technical Regulations Expert, Technische Universität Berlin
- **Mr. Irhad Puce**, SME Policy Researcher

13:00 - 15:00 Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 9 : SMEs in a green economy

- **Mr. Ozren Laganin**, Ministry of Physical Planning, Construction and Ecology (*Policies*)
- **Ms Nataša Zrilić**, Environmental Protection Fund (*Policies, incentives, instruments*)
- **Ms. Jelena Ivošević**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Policies*)
- **Ms. Jovana Pavlović**, SME Policy Expert

13:00 - 15:00 Assessment reconciliation: Dimension 10: Internationalisation of SMEs Room TBC

- **Mr. Jovan Blagojević**, Ministry for Economic Relations and Regional Cooperation (*Export promotion*)
- **Ms. Marica Berić**, SME Development Agency of the Republika Srpska, (*Global Value Chains*)
- **Ms. Milka Latinčić**, Ministry of Industry, Energy and Mining (*Global Value Chains*)
- **Ms. Irena Kisić Plavšić**, Ministry of Trade and Tourism (*E-commerce*)
- **Mr. Martin Kohtze**, Policy Analyst, OECD South East Europe Division

