# Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers -International Roundtable on Business Survey Frames

# **Country progress report 2015 and future plans**

### Country:

## Bosnia and Herzegovina

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# I. Organisation, Population and Usage of the Statistical Business Register

- 1. Name of the register Statistical Business Register (SBR)
- 2. Name of the organisation responsible for holding the register Agency for Statistic of Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 3. Position of the register unit in the organisation
  The Unit for Business Register and Economic Classifications is a part of Business Statistics Department
- 4. Number of employees in the register unit (Headcount employees)
  3 (together with employees for economic classifications )

#### 5. Primary goal and use of the register The primary goal of the SBR is to be the fram

The primary goal of the SBR is to be the frame for statistical surveys, source of units and their basic characteristics, source of business population and a tool for analysis of business population in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

## 6. Year of establishment of the register

2008

- 7. Year(s) of the main re-engineeering(s) of the register
- 8. Number of active enterprises\* in the register at the end of 2015 \*If it is difficult to use Enterprises, you can use Legal units instead. Enterprises: 59.296 (without entrepreneurs/crafts)

## II. Progress and Developments in the Past Year

Please list main achievements (maximum 3) in the past year (2015) or the problems you have tackled.

1. Short title of work which was done

Further improving the quality of the SBR

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

In the beginning of 2015 the Agreement on the employment data exchange, with the Directorate for Finance in Brcko District of BiH, was signed. According to this Agreement the data on the number of employees for the entrepreneurs of Brcko District, are delivered on a regular basis. This has improved the SBR data quality and the possibility to use data on entrepreneurs from the SBR for the regular statistical surveys.

2. Short title of work which was done

#### Preliminary data on Busines Demography

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Preliminary data for BD on births and deaths is being prepared, even though we are not satisfied with quality of data from administrative sources. Draft Methodology for linking SBR with the compilation of SBS business demography (BD) has been made and will be presented on the next mission on BD. This activity is implemented through IPA 2012 Twinning Project.

3. Short title of work which was done

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

#### III. Future plans

Please list themes/projects (maximum 3) which you plan to tackle in the current (2016) and following year(s).

1. Short title of work planned

Institucional sector codes

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Together with National Account we started to prepare methodology for determining and allocating institutional sector code to all SBR units, according to the NA rules. This activity is carried out with the support of IPA 2012 Twinning Project.

#### 2. Short title of work planned

Preparations for the introduction of enterprise groups

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

Through the IPA, we started to develop the methodology for establishing enterprise groups in SBR: rules for construction, observation and updating of EG characteristics in SBR. Also, we started to analyze data sources for EG.

3. Short title of work planned

Improvement of the SBR application

Description of work (max 4-5 sentences)

According to the two previous activities, we planned to work to improve the SBR data model and application, together with the IT department. SBR data model and the application have not changed since 2009, when common SBR started to use in all three statistical institutions. The changes will be linked with the introduction of new features in the SBR (enterprise groups, business demographics, codes institutional sector, new sources etc.)

## IV. Main challenges

Please list main challenges (maximum 3) with respect to development, maintenance and use of your statistical business register.

1. Main challenge 1

Introduction of enterprise groups

Description of the challenge

Introduction of enterprise groups will be the challenge for us in the next period, because of too many different administrative laws and many different administrative sources with insufficient data quality level.

### 2. Main challenge 2

Description of the challenge

# 3. Main challenge 3

Description of the challenge