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Introduction

Basic information about the Social Inclusion Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (SIF in BiH)

The Social Inclusion Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina is a non-political, non-party, independent and non-profit non-governmental organization established by the Decision on establishment number IBHI/FSU u BiH/10, dated 19 January 2010, according the Law on Associations and Foundations of Bosnia and Herzegovina. The Social Inclusion Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina was officially registered in the Ministry of Justice of BiH on 28 January 2010.

Report on realized activities of the SIF in BiH

The purpose of this Report is to provide more information about the implementation and the completion of the program activities within the project *Civil Society Sustainability Program (CSSP)* in the Human Rights Marginalized Groups Sector funded by USAID, which SIF in BiH implemented in BiH, as well as information about the most important upcoming activities and the beginning of implementation of the program activities within the projects: *"Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina #BuildUp4SIAPinBiH"* and *"The Role of the Marginalized Groups in the Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina"*.

The SIF in BiH operations in BiH in the past period of time (from 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2018) were marked with the activities related to the completion of the four-year USAID project *Civil Society Sustainability Program (CSSP)* in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector. Apart the activities related to the aforementioned project, the SIF in BiH worked on the preparation of tenders for the public invitations application, as well as the activities related to the finalization and the beginning of the implementation of two projects.

5 October 2018 – The SIF in BiH signed the contract with the Embassy of Federal Republic of Germany in Sarajevo to implement the project "The Role of the Marginalized Groups in the Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina" for a period of eight months, from 1 October 2018 to 31 May 2019.

30 October 2018 - The SIF in BiH signed the contract with the European Commission to implement the project "Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina-# BuildUp4SIAPinBiH" for a period of 32 months, from 1 November 2018 to 30 June 2021, within the framework of the Project of European Commission "Civil Society Facility and Media Action for Bosnia and Herzegovina 2016-2017", for Lot 1-Social Inclusion.

USAID "Civil Society Sustainability Program CSSP" project, Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector, July 2014 - June 2018

1. Basic information about I, II and III components of the Civil Society Sustainability project in BiH-CSSP

The SIF in BiH has been selected to be a sectoral partner of the CSSP Program for Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector in April 2014, together with its partner organization IBHI. There is an enormous amount of tasks in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector, which are arising from the EU accession process and the active role that the civil sector needs to take in the context of preparation and implementation of those steps, as well as the necessity of general improvement of the conditions in the sector. By implementation of this project, the SIF in BiH and IBHI took over an important role of a coordinator of these processes. The aim of the implementation of this project was to contribute to the civil sector role profiling, as a partner to the public sector in the processes of development and monitoring of the implementation of public policies in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector.

The process of strategic planning and analysis resulted by adoption of the SIF in BiH Strategic Plan 2015-2020 along with the Sustainability Strategy and Communication Strategy 2015-2020, as well as the IBHI 2015-2020 Strategic Plan along with the Sustainability Strategy and Communication Strategy 2015-2020. The SIF in BiH signed three contracts for three components within the project of Civil Society Sustainability Program (CSSP).

Component 1 – Analysis of sectoral problems and formation of the Coalition of sectoral actors

The first Grant Contract (in the amount of 49,992.60 USD) was signed on 2 July 2014 for a period of 48 months, starting from 1 July 2014 until 30 June 2018. The aim of the first component of the CSSP project was to establish an organizational and functional infrastructure for joined, coordinated and synchronized work of the most relevant actors of the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector in achieving sustainable improvements in the Sector. The expected results are the following: 1) completed analysis of problems in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector resulting in a detailed overview of the current situation in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector and the list of priority sectoral problems, and 2) established coalition of the sectoral actors of an informal character, but with the basic core documents, membership, structure, bodies, regular meetings and newsletter. By co-operation and mutual actions, the coalition empowered the position of the civil sector as a negotiator and a public actor in the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector.

Component 2 - Advocacy campaigns to address priority issues in the Human Rights - Marginalized Groups Sector

The second Grant Contract was signed on 1 October 2014 (in the amount of 249,894.50 USD) for a period of 45 months, from 1 October 2014 until 30 June 2018.

The aim of the project was to make visible moves in the solutions of priority problems in the Human Rights Sector, through the realization of four advocacy campaigns, in particular in the following areas of public policy: 1) minimum social security and equal opportunities, 2) non-institutional support to marginalized groups, 3) improvement of social entrepreneurship and 4) electoral rights of national minorities. Four measures/policies in the Human Rights-Marginalized Group Sector were included in the agenda of executive or legislative bodies, as a direct result of the conducted campaigns. The campaigns contributed to bringing of these acts and their implementation with the aim of solving the problem. Some of the causes of problems in the Human Rights-Marginalized Group Sector have been eliminated by a direct impact on changes of measures and public policies and by monitoring of their implementation.

Component 3 – Realization of Organization Sustainability Strategy

The third Grant Contract was signed on 14 October 2014, whereas the Annex to the Contract was signed on 30 December 2014 (in the amount of 99,790.00 USD) for the period of 42 months, from 1 January 2015 until 30 June 2018.

The aim of the project was to realize a progress in the domain of organizational, institutional and financial sustainability, in other words in the positioning of the SIF in BiH/IBHI in the environment. Concretely, the results of this project (grant) include the following: internal capacity of personnel increase in the field of fundraising, PR and use of online tools, improved human resources management and reputation, formation of the Management Board (in the case of IBHI), commercialization of services with more successful attraction of funds through a higher media presence and awareness in the donor's community about the services and products of organizations and their market placement, as well as strengthening of the IT capacities and management results.

2. Report on realized activities for the period 1 January 2018 – 30 June 2018

By implemented activities a significant progress in the realization of aims outlined in all three project components has been realized.

Component I:

20 February 2018 - A media briefing was held where the representatives of media, authorities and the NGO sector discussed the importance of adoption of the Law on Uniform

Principles and the Framework of Material Support for Persons with Disabilities in FBiH, which is planned in the Operations Program of the Government of the Federation of BiH for 2018. The members of the "KOMA" Coalition have been directly involved in the organization of the mentioned media briefing as active participants in the advocacy for the adoption of the Law on Uniform Principles and the Framework of Material Support for Persons with Disabilities in FBiH.

One of the most significant realized aims in this reporting period is the fact that the law, which is to eliminate discrimination based on causes of disability, *the Law on Uniform Principles and the Framework of Material Support for Persons with Disabilities in FBiH*, was planned in the 2018 Operations Program of the Government of the FBiH from first to fourth quarter of 2018.



Media briefing, Sarajevo, 20 February 2018

Results and impacts achieved

The Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH "KOMA", which exists for more than four years, gained the status of a recognizable coalition, primarily because it is a multisectoral coalition and because it gathers a large number of members. Currently, the sector network "KOMA" consist of 103 members. The complete list of "KOMA" members is available at the following link: <http://koma.ba/clanice-koalicije-koma/>.

The communication with members of the "KOMA" Coalition is getting into higher level each year and it is being done regularly through e-mails, social networks, websites. Apart of the aforesaid, the "KOMA" Coalition has distributed six electronic newsletters from the beginning of the project. Given the active participation of members and bodies of the "KOMA" Coalition in advocacy campaigns, the "KOMA" Coalition has kept the status of a significant actor in the field of human rights of marginalized groups. Also, we emphasize a great interest of the media for the activities of the "KOMA", which contributed in a large extent to the greater engagement of the "KOMA" members and the achievement of the set aims.

In accordance with the external environment, the "KOMA" initiated the process of law change, new strategies development, etc., which is incorporated in the official government policy in BiH. The realization of the aforesaid (by law change), as well as implementation enables sustainable and long-term results in regards to improvement of human rights and social position of marginalized groups.

Component II:

In the capacity of the Secretariat of the "KOMA" Coalition, the SIF in BiH and IBHI continued with the implementation of the activities within the public advocacy campaigns. The focus was on the following campaigns: "Establishment of a minimum of social security and equal opportunities", and "Bringing a new policies and measures in the area of social entrepreneurship", within which 25 advocacy meetings have been held.

26 January 2018 - Participating upon the invitation of the Directorate for Economic Planning of BiH and by suggestions on the draft of the document "Economic Reform Program 2018-2020", the SIF in BiH and IBHI gave a serious suggestions on the parts of the document that refer to calculation and assessment of the poverty in BiH. That was important due to the nature and approach to our advocacy campaign "Minimum of Social Security and Equal Opportunities".

25 February 2018 - The TV show "I choose guests with Žarko Papić" was broadcasted on TV1 station on the topic of the importance of the social entrepreneurship development in BiH. Majda Fetahagić, Assistant Director of the Planning Institute of Sarajevo Canton, Omer Korjenić, Head of the Department for Employment (FZZZ), Mira Jović, Executive Director of the Association of Entrepreneurs and Employers of Žepče (UPIP) and Dušan Marković, Director of the Employment Agency of Disabled Persons PATRIOT, Bijeljina participated the above mentioned show.

https://studio.youtube.com/video/C4H6KreXdw/edit?utm_campaign=upgrade&utm_medium=redirect&utm_source=%2Fmy_videos

7 March 2018 - In the framework of the public advocacy campaign "Establishment of a Minimum of Social Security and Equal Opportunities", in a cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, the SIF in BiH and IBHI organized a focus group and a media briefing on the topic of the importance of adoption of the Law on the Basics of Social Protection of FBiH. The focus group with attendance of a significant number of media representatives was held in the Hotel "Europe in Sarajevo (BHT1, FTV, TV Alfa, Pink BH, Radio Free Europe, BH Radio 1, Radio FBiH and FENA).



Focus group and media briefing, Sarajevo, 7 March 2018

29 March 2018 - Žarko Papić, Director of IBHI, had a consultative meeting with Miroslav Jurešić, Assistant Minister in the Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Policy. They discussed about the course of preparation of the Draft Law on the Basics of Social Protection in FBiH and about the concept of the policy brief "The Law on the Basics of Social Protection in FBiH- the importance of its adoption in 2018". The consent has been reached on all topics and cooperation is to be continued.

30 March 2018 - Prepared and published policy brief - Law on the Basics of Social Protection in FBiH - importance of its adoption in 2018.

8 April 2018 - The show "I choose guests with Ranka Ninković-Papić" was broadcasted on TV1 on the topic "No to the Margins" where the invisibility of marginalized groups in BiH in the public and media was discussed.

https://studio.youtube.com/video/jrjFJnwTbCI/edit?utm_campaign=upgrade&utm_medium=redirect&utm_source=%2Fmy_videos

Results and impacts achieved

18 January 2018 - The FBiH Government adopted the Operations Program of the FBiH Government for 2018 at its 135th session, which was held in Sarajevo, within which the following has been planned:

- **Law on the Basics of Social protection in FBiH** in the 4th quarter, which contains the basics of the social protection reform (a minimum social security, better targeting and labor activation of beneficiaries),
- **Law on Uniform Principles and the Framework of Material Support for Persons with Disabilities in FBiH** from 1st to 4th quarter, which eliminates discrimination based on causes of disability,
- **The Employment Strategy of FBiH 2017-2020**, which contains strategic commitments to the development of social entrepreneurship.

By the aforesaid, the aims set out in the latest quarter period of 2017 have been fulfilled within the SIF in BiH/IBHI/KOMA public advocacy campaigns ("Establishment of a minimum of social security and equal opportunities" and "Adoption of a new policies and measures in the field of social entrepreneurship"). The advocacy activities for inclusion of the above mentioned laws and public policies into the Operations Program of the FBiH Government for 2018 have been implemented within the aforesaid campaigns.

Component III

The progress has been made in the past year in regards to sustainability of the SIF in BiH and IBHI, even though the general climate for the development and operations of non-governmental organizations in BiH remained unfavorable due to limited sources of financing (from foreign and domestic resources) and limited funding opportunities from an alternative resources. Two project proposals have been approved for the SIF in BiH during 2018.

The contract with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany was signed on 5 October 2018 in the amount of 49.795 EUR for a period of eight months, from 1 October 2018 to 31 May 2019.

The contract with the European Commission was signed on October 30, 2018 in the amount of 476,990 EUR for the period of 32 months, from 1 November 2018 to 30 June 2021.

Activities of the SIF in BiH:

11 January 2018 - Ranka Ninković-Papić, Director of the SIF in BiH, and Zvezdana Filipović, Financial Manager of the SIF in BiH, participated in the civil society consultations that were organized by the Delegation of the European Union to BiH. Consultations attended 17 participants (9F/8M). Ranka Ninković-Papić, Director of the SIF in BiH, briefly presented at the meeting the initiative of CCI and ACED to form the Alliance for the EU Integration, upon the request of Mr. Ernst Tonissona from the Delegation of European Union to BiH, as well as the process of establishment of the Working Groups for collection of responses related to the EU Questionnaire, within which the Alliance succeeded to merge civil, private and public sector.



Civil Society consultations, Delegation of the EU to BiH, Sarajevo, 11 January 2018

19 January 2018 - Upon the invitation of the USAID BiH, the SIF in BiH and IBHI registered themselves individually on the Localworks platform online registration.

8 February 2018 - On the basis of the proposal of Mr. Mirsad Salkić, President of the Association of Patients with Diabetes-Bužim and the Decisions of the Management Board reached at the session of the Association of Diabetic Patients-Bužim, which is an active member of the Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH "KOMA", Ranka Ninković-Papić, Director of the SIF in BiH, was proposed for the Award of Acknowledgment for the Contribution to the Achievement of Gender Equality in 2017. This Acknowledgment is awarded by the Committee for Gender Equality of the House of Representatives of the Parliamentary Assembly of BiH, in cooperation with the Agency for Gender Equality of the Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of BiH, with the support of the OSCE Mission to BiH. Also, Ranka Ninković-Papić, Director of the SIF in BiH, was nominated for the recognition of the United Nations Agencies, which invited BiH public in February 2018 to nominate women who inspire them by their work, on the occasion of the International Women's Day. The aim of the campaign is to present various aspects of women's activism, including women from rural areas, sports, prevention of gender-based violence, political participation of women and their role in the development of the peace and security. The Director of the SIF in BiH was selected as one of 10 activists from BiH who are working, advocating and contributing to gender equality. The UN Women BiH recognized that the work of Ranka Ninković-Papić contributes to the achievement of the objective 1 of the sustainable development - A World Without Poverty.

28 February 2018 - After the Presiding of the BiH Presidency, Dragan Čović and the Presiding of the Council of Ministers of BiH, Denis Zvizdić, have handed over the responses to the President of the European Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker referring to the European Commission Questionnaire for the preparation of the Opinion on the BiH request for the European Union membership, during the official ceremony in Sarajevo, the Directorate for European Integration of BiH published the BiH responses to the European Commission Questionnaire on its official website. The responses to the European Commission

Questionnaire are available by clicking the following [link](#). The responses to the European Commission Questionnaire also include the responses of civil society organizations, whereas the SIF in BiH and IBHI contributed to that by responding to a total of 20 questions (the SIF in BiH to 11 questions for "Political Criteria", whereas the IBHI to 9 for Chapter 19 "Social Policy and Employment").

12 March 2018 – 16 March 2018 - Ranka Ninković-Papić, Director of the SIF in BiH, and Žarko Papić, Director of IBHI visited Belgrade within the CSSP project activities of sustainability component-regional cooperation. The aim of the visit and numerous meetings that they held was to establish a possible partnership relations with the CSO from Serbia, particularly in the context of the inter-regional cooperation.

9 March 2018 - The SIF in BiH received a notification that the Concept Note is approved under the title "Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in BiH BuildUp4SIAPinBiH", which was submitted on 2 November 2017 upon the invitations for the projects of the European Commission, under the title "Civil Society Facility and Media Action for Bosnia and Herzegovina 2016-2017", for Lot 1-Social Inclusion. After the receipt of the aforesaid notification, the SIF in BiH/BHI project team commenced with the activities on further elaboration of the project proposal.

31 July 2018 - The SIF in BiH received a notification from the European Commission that the proposal for the project "Build up for the Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina - # BuildUp4SIAPinBiH" was approved.

5 October 2018 - "The Role of the Marginalized Groups in the Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina" project was approved and a contract between the SIF in BiH and the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in BiH was signed.

30 October 2018 - The SIF in BiH signed a contract with the European Commission for the implementation of the project "Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina - # BuildUp4SIAPinBiH".

11 December, 2018 - The 17th regular session of the Management Board of the SIF in BiH was held.

3. Results and impacts achieved

Project I – Establishment and development of sectoral networks

Having into consideration that it was established in November 2014 with 44 initial members, the Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH-"KOMA", obtained a status of the recognizable

and unique coalition in BiH, primarily due to fact that it is a multi-sectoral coalition (gathers members from the NGO sector, representatives of the authorities, business, media, etc.) and it has a large and continuous rising number of members (there are 104 members currently). The "KOMA" Coalition proved to have a potential for sustainability and longevity.

Project II - Campaigns and monitoring

There has been four public advocacy and monitoring campaigns conducted over the past four years within the Human Rights-Marginalized Groups Sector, which encountered a generally positive reception with the decision-makers in BiH. This has been confirmed by a large number of the authority representatives that were present at the events organized by the SIF in BiH/IBHI/KOMA. Also, the advocacy campaigns have been extremely noticeable with the public through the continuous media coverage of the events and activities of the SIF in BiH/IBHI/KOMA.

The NGO's have greater opportunities to increase the legitimacy and effectiveness of their engagements in the field of public policy and gain a significant influence in the advocacy processes by networking and interconnecting. In this regard, the contacts and connections that have been created by the "KOMA" Coalition can be useful as a basis for expanding of the knowledge base about the manners on how to implement the public advocacy campaigns in the field of human rights of marginalized groups, and be a good basis for creation of a new resources and provision of mutual support in the NGO's advocacy efforts.

Project III - Strengthening of capacity and sustainability

When the sustainability of the SIF in BiH and IBHI is concerned, a significant progress has been made in the past year, although the general climate for the development and operations of the non-governmental organizations in BiH yet remains unfavorable due to limited resources of financing (foreign and domestic resources) and limited possibilities of financing from the alternative resources.

ONGOING PROJECTS

„Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina - #BuildUp4SIAPinBiH“ project, November 2018 – June 2021

Basic project information

The Social Inclusion Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (SIF in BiH) signed a Contract with the European Commission and UNICEF (in the amount of 476.990,00 EUR) for the implementation of the project under the title "Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina #BuildUp4SIAPinBiH", in a partnership with the Initiative for Better and Humane Inclusion (IBHI). The duration period of the project is 32 months, from 1 November 2018 to 30 June 2021.

The general aim of the "Build up for Social Inclusion Advocacy Platform in Bosnia and Herzegovina # BuildUp4SIAPinBiH" project is to develop and strengthen the role, capacities and visibility of non-governmental organizations gathered through the "Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH - KOMA", with the aim of participating in the creation of social public policies and advocating the rights of marginalized groups, as a precondition for a more equitable and more open society that supports the process of European integrations in BiH.

The “BuildUp4SIAPinBiH” project has four main components/fields of work:

- 1) Research and analyses of current needs of the marginalized groups in BiH and development of key documents
- 2) Capacity building and strengthening of the cross-sectoral Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH-“KOMA”
- 3) Social inclusion advocacy activities
- 4) Communication activities and increased visibility

Specific objectives

- Improve the access to rights for the marginalized groups through the initiation and drafting of the Social Inclusion Strategies at the Entity and Brcko District levels
- Increase the capacity, efficiency and visibility of the cross-sectoral Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH-“KOMA”, with engagement advocacy in field of social public policy

- Encourage the networking, cooperation and communication amongst the CSO's and related interested actors
- Increase the knowledge and importance of dedications that EU accession process brings in relation to protection of social rights of the BiH citizens and subsequently strengthen the support of the BiH's integration process in the EU, in the light of possible candidacy status of BiH on the European path

Target groups

Decision makers (government bodies/members of the parliaments), political parties, members of the Coalition of Marginalized Groups in BiH-"KOMA", and other relevant NGO networks, such as the "Alliance for EU Integration" network, media, citizens.

Final beneficiaries

Civil society organizations dealing with the issues of the marginalized populations, socially excluded persons and their families, social care providers – organizations/institutions, which are engaged in providing service to the socially excluded persons.

Activities and anticipated results

- Development and publication of two documents/two policy papers/social policy analysis in BiH
- Development and publication of the Study related to the Development of Social Inclusion Strategies at the Entity and Brcko District levels
- Organization of five special trainings/workshops on the topics: 1) Strategic planning and fundraising; 2) Development of project proposals; 3) Use of the ICT and social networks; 4) Creation and implementation of public advocacy and public awareness raising campaigns; and 5) The European Integration Process in BiH focusing on Chapter 19 EU *Acquis Communautaire* and social inclusion of the "KOMA" members
- Social inclusion advocacy activities with the focus on 20-30 advocacy meetings, three round tables and three SWOT-PEST workshops
- Communication activities and increased visibility, as well as wider promotion of the "BuildUp4SIAPinBiH" project through media
- Creation and promotion of a theatre play with the focus on the social inclusion of the marginalized groups
- Creation and promotion of the video and radio drama related to the theatre play
- Development, printing and placement of communication material and promotion with a strong accent on the social inclusion project supported by EU
- Organization of Final Conference - the "KOMA" Convention

"The Role of the Marginalized Groups in the Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina" project, October 2018 – May 2019

Basic project information

The Social Inclusion Foundation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (SIF in BiH) signed a Contract with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in BiH on 5 October 2018 (in the amount of 49.795,00 EUR) for a period of 8 months, from 1 October 2018 to 31 May 2019, for the implementation of the project under the title "The Role of Marginalized Groups in Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina".

The aim of the project is to promote, advocate and directly influence the process of reconciliation in BiH with a bottom-up approach in gathering of the vulnerable and marginalized individuals and groups (persons with disabilities, children, elderly people, women, national/ethnic minorities, LGBT population, etc.) through a mutual support and common aims regardless of their ethnicity.

„The Role of Marginalized Groups in Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina“ project has the following objectives:

Objective 1

Increase the engagement of citizens that belong to marginalized groups and improve understanding of the importance and value of their role in the process of reconciliation in BiH through the establishment of mechanisms for dialogue for the marginalized and jeopardized citizens and groups that enable the reconciliation process in BiH by encouraging of a mutual trust, support and sharing of a mutual values. One of the main goals of the project is the preparation and signing of the “DECLARATION OF MARGINALISED GROUPS – COMPLETE THE RECONCILIATION PROCESS – WE ALREADY HAVE!” by non-governmental organizations members of the Coalition of the Marginalized Groups in BiH- "KOMA".

Objective 2

Strengthen the capacities and enhance the role of civil society organizations, which represent marginalized groups in BiH in resolving a wider discrimination, including gender and social inequalities, as the basic causes and systemic deficiencies that do not allow reconciliation in BiH. The project result is planned to be achieved through the strengthening of civil society organizations that represent marginalized groups in BiH and promote, address and advocate civic, participative and inclusive reconciliation efforts in BiH based on their mutual fight for the protection of human rights and the fundamental freedoms they lack.

Objective 3

Encouraging the networking and cooperation between civil society organizations, which represent marginalized groups in Bosnia and Herzegovina, from both Entities and the Brčko District alternately, in order to promote mutual aims and advocate reconciliation in BiH.

This project aim is to be achieved through the creation of an improved perception of diversity and coexistence, as well as an increased awareness of civil society organizations, which represent marginalized groups in BiH, about the importance of their role in the reconciliation process in BiH.

Expected results

“The Role of Marginalized Groups in Reconciliation Process in Bosnia and Herzegovina” project is one of the communication efforts intended for creation of a meaningful social movement of the marginalized and jeopardized groups in the reconciliation work in BiH. The visibility of project activities is to be achieved through an effective campaign during the complete project period by use of various audio-visual and informational techniques and tools, such as interesting human stories, video story, a TV thematic dialogue format show along with the organization of a series of workshops and "KOMA" Coalition's Convention.

By signing the “DECLARATION OF MARGINALISED GROUPS – COMPLETE THE RECONCILIATION PROCESS – WE ALREADY HAVE!” by the non-governmental organizations in BiH, one of the main project aims is to be accomplished at the same time.

Social media activities, particularly the SIF in BiH Facebook page and YouTube channel, will increase the promotion of all project activities and events. The social media campaign will be focus on increased public awareness about the role of the marginalized groups in the reconciliation process in BiH, and at the same time it will inspire broader audiences how to improve their beliefs in coexistence and trust-building. All realized results-interesting human stories, video story, TV material and photographs/visuals are to be published throughout the project period in order to help the audience gain a deeper understanding of the issue.