

Information on National CHM

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

National CHM	
Web address (URL)	http://www.bih-chm-cbd.ba
Title	Biodiversity Clearing-House Mechanism Portal of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Brief description	CHM for BiH was established within the UNEP project. It was created by a consultant company contacted by UNEP. They are still in charge of maintaining the web site.
Responsible organization	CENER 21
Webmaster name	Mr. Edmir Prasovic, CENER 21
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Content management system (CMS)	Not known
Database system	Not known
Search engine	Not known
Available human resources for maintenance and development	To be clarified
Other comments	-

Other national websites on biodiversity		
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www.fmoit.gov.ba	The official web site of the Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism	Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism
www.vladars.net	The official web site of the Ministry	Ministry of Spatial Planning, Civil Engineering and Ecology of Republic of Srpska
www.nasljedje.org	The official web site of the Institute	Republic Institute for Protection of Cultural, Historical and Natural Heritage of RS

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www.fmpvs.gov.ba	The official web site of the Ministry	Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Forestry
www.vladars.net	The official web site of the Ministry	Ministry of Water Management, Agriculture and Forestry of Republic of Srpska
gri.unibl.org	The official web site of the Institute	University of Banja Luka Genetic Resources Institute
www.fzofbih.org.ba	The official web site of the Fund	Environmental Fund of Federation of BiH
ekofondrs.org	The official web site of the Fund	Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund of Republic of Srpska

Major national organizations involved in biodiversity		
Acronym	Full name	Role
	Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of BiH	Responsible for the enforcement of international treaties in the field of environment protection at the state level. The Ministry is competent for carrying out matters and tasks from its jurisdiction which relate to defining policies, basic principles, co-ordinating activities and harmonising plans of the Entity authorities and institutions at the international level in the fields of environmental protection, development and use of natural resources.
	Administration of Bosnia and Herzegovina for Plant Health Protection	Separate administrative organization established within the BiH Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations to determine policy in the area of plant health protection, develop draft regulations and ensure the protection of plant health on the entire BiH territory.
	Food Safety Agency of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Responsible for ensuring the safety of food and feed, perform scientific and expert technical tasks and the implementation of international conventions and agreements in the field of food safety and animal feed.

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	Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism	Responsible for the environmental policy and the use of natural resources - all administrative and expert assignments related to the protection of air, water and soil, monitoring and establishment of environmental standards, drafting of environmental strategy and policy, tourism development and other assignments
	Ministry of Spatial Planning, Civil Engineering and Ecology of Republic of Srpska	Competent for the issues of environmental protection (land, air and water), waste management, legal tasks and biodiversity.
	Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Water Management and Forestry	Competent for agriculture, water management, forestry and veterinary services.
	Ministry of Water Management, Agriculture and Forestry of Republic of Srpska	In charge of the development of waters strategy and policies and especially for the establishment of standards and regulations, issuing of approvals and permits and for monitoring compliance with laws and regulations through issuing of approvals and inspections.
	University of Banja Luka Genetic Resources Institute	Conservation and use of genetic resources
	Faculty of Agriculture and Food Sciences of University of Sarajevo	Teaching and academic research
	Faculty of Science of University of Sarajevo	Teaching and academic research
	Faculty of Science of University of Banja Luka	Teaching and academic research
	Environmental Fund of Federation of BiH	Financing of projects, programs and activities in the field of environmental protection through collected fees.
	Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund of Republic of Srpska	Financing of projects, programs and activities in the field of environmental protection through collected fees.

Comments on national situation

CHM for BiH was established within the UNEP/GEF project. A CHM NFP has not been nominated yet. It is available in 4 languages (Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian and English). The CHM BiH currently provides information on status of biological diversity in BiH, brief review on CBD and the Strategic Plan with Aichi Targets, relevant documents related to biodiversity that exists in BiH, regional cooperation on biodiversity, institutional and legislative framework regarding biodiversity conservation, photos of biodiversity in BiH, important global environmental/biodiversity dates, relevant links, etc.

CHM for BiH has not been regularly updated – it has not been updated since the February 2015.

Strategic Vision

Effective and sustainable CHM.

Roadmap				
Priority	Objective	Activity	Responsible	Requirements
1	Designation of CHM NFP	Officially nomination of CHM NFP	Federal Ministry of Environment and Tourism, CBD NFP	DR CR ARR
2	Expand information services	Updating of the web site - collect and validate information to update website	CHM NFP and CBD NFP	CR ARR

Notes:

- Priority: 1=urgent, 2=high, 3=medium, 4=low; 5=very low
- Objective: challenge, issue, problem to resolve
- Responsible: organization or person in charge
- Requirements: Code + text
 - OK: Can be done with existing resources
 - DR: Decision required
 - CR: Collaboration required
 - ARR: Additional resources required (support, cooperation)

Comments on roadmap

In order to achieve effective and sustainable CHM, it is necessary to appoint a CHM NFP who will be in charge of regularly updating new information and data on biodiversity.

Cooperation opportunities / Type of support needed

Strengthening the cooperation between countries
Information exchange and networking

Thank you!