



**Regional School of Public Administration (Phase 1)**

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### **1. Steering Committee Activities**

- On the initiative of BiH SC member, the legal procedure for the conclusion of the International Agreement on Institutionalisation of Regional School of Public Administration has already been initiated by the International Legal Aid Department in Ministry of Justice of BiH. The positive opinion on the reasons for the conclusion of this agreement is given by the BiH Ministry of Foreign Affairs; BiH legal and financial experts have decided that there are no legal or financial objections on the text of the agreement. Therefore, we believe that all procedures required by domestic law for the conclusion of this International Agreement will be met shortly.
- BiH SC member and Option B finalised logistical activities for the SC meeting to be held in Sarajevo, on 5 November.

### **2. ReSPA Publications**

- Two BiH contributions for the second regional ReSPA publication are delivered to the coordinator for this task.
- The third contribution for the ReSPA website "Second Regional Conference of the Heads of the Financial Units" is delivered.
- BiH TNA information for the preparation of Regional Training Needs is produced.
- The Coordination activities related to the preparation of the updated version of the Regional Training Needs are finalised. ReSPA TNA methodology was adopted by ReSPA Steering Committee on 10th October and ReSPA members participated in the subsequent TNA survey (data received from all except for Croatia and Kosovo) carried out at the end of October). In order to prepare the BiH coordinator for the production of TNA and to define all questions regarding TNA methodology and on-line survey, Ms. Inga Stefanowicz (Administrator, OECD/ReSPA) and Mr. Harry List (EIPA expert) visited Sarajevo on 9 and 10 October. This meeting helped the BiH coordinator to familiarize with the methodology and the on line survey, as well as to fill in the TNA templates for BiH as an example for the other data collectors (option B resources) in the region.

### **3. ReSPA Events**

- Three (3) BiH representatives participated at the Seminar on Introduction to Public Finance Management organized jointly with the Centre for Excellence in Finance, CEF in Slovenia (13-17 October 2008).
- Two (out of three foreseen, due to last minute objective reasons) participants took part in the Seminar on Law-drafting organized jointly with the German Federal Academy for Public administration – the first week of the training programme in Bonn (20 – 24 October).

### **4. Other Issues**

- Nothing to report.