WeBER Indicator Summary

AREA: POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION

Bosnia and Herzegovina

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**SIGMA Principle**

5. Regular monitoring of the government’s performance enables public scrutiny and supports the government in achieving its objectives.

**WeBER Indicator**

**PDC_P5_11: Public availability of information on Government performance**

**Indicator approach**

This indicator focuses on the extent of openness and availability of information about the government’s performance to the public. It consists of 7 elements (sub-indicators), which assess relevant government websites and the reports published on these websites. Researchers provide expert opinion on whether the information provision is regular, whether it includes assessment of government performance and gender segregated data, whether the information is understandable, sufficiently detailed, and available in an open data format. The share of reports on government strategies and plans which are available online is also included. Only the most comprehensive pages through which the government communicates its activities are considered for point allocation. For the element on share of reports, only central planning documents for the whole of Government are taken into account, and websites of relevant centre of government institutions analysed.

**Summary of the findings**

The Council of Ministers of BiH regularly publishes written information about its activities. Comprehensive and easily understandable press releases are published on a weekly basis. Annual reports on the performance of the BiH CoM are also regularly produced and published on the CoM website. Reports contain introductory parts, written in an easily understandable way, explaining the key activities of the Council of Ministers. Reports contain detailed information, including both quantitative and qualitative data and assessments. More generally, reports include assessments of the achievement of results, although they do not report on the concrete performance indicators set in the GAWP. However, the BiH CoM does not publish information related to their work in open formats and no gender segregated data is presented in either of the analysed reports.

The share of reports on central planning documents for the last reporting period (2016) which are available online is 80%. The Government Annual Work Plan (GAWP) report for 2016 is published online. Also, report on the implementation of the Budget of the Institutions of BiH and international commitments of BiH for 2016 is available, as well as the report for 2016 on the implementation of measures of structural reforms – ERP 2016-2018, which is given as an annex to the ERP BiH 2017-2019 document. The report that monitors progress in socio-economic development of the country, in line with the strategic goals of the document "Strategic Framework for BiH", is not available for 2016 (although reports for the previous years are available).

**Specific observations**

Within the WEBER project, in BiH only the state level is analysed, while the entities are left out due to limited capacities.

**Indicator score**

14 (out of 20 points)

**Final indicator value**

3 (scale 0-5)

**Measurement period**

13th - 19th October 2017

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1 Conversion of points: 0-4 points = 0; 5-8 points = 1; 9-11 points = 2; 12-14 points = 3; 15-17 points = 4; 18-20 points = 5,