



■ WeBER Indicator Summary

AREA: Strategic Framework of PAR

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

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PAR Area	STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK OF PAR	Country	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
SIGMA Principle	1. The government has developed and enacted an effective public administration reform agenda that addresses key challenges		

WeBER Indicator	SFPAR_P1_I1: Use of participatory approaches in the development of key strategic PAR documents.
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Indicator approach

The indicator focuses on the existence and quality of the consultative process in the development of key strategic PAR documents. Key strategic PAR documents will be interpreted to mean: 1 PAR Strategy 2017 - 2022; 2. PFM Reform Strategy in the institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2017-2020

For all elements under this indicator, focus groups with representatives of CSOs who participated in the consultation process were conducted to gain first-hand qualitative data. Focus groups include representatives of not less than 6 different CSOs that regularly follow the PAR policy.

Summary of the findings

Out of the two examined documents, CSOs were consulted only during the development of PAR Strategy 2017 – 2022. Public consultation on Draft PAR Strategy 2017-2022 lasted 16 days and an open call for comments and suggestions was published on the website of PARCO BIH, together with downloadable draft Strategy and statement of the purpose of the Strategy. Public consultations meetings with CSO representatives, business associations and academia were held in Sarajevo and Banja Luka. Invitations were published on the website of PARCO BIH, eKonsultacije portal (BIH Ministry of Justice), and Twitter and Facebook profile of PARCO BIH. Moreover, invitations were sent via email by PARCO BIH. Information on the consultation process is provided in a timely manner and the document was accessible to the public and everyone was invited to submit comments on the eKonsultacije portal. PARCO BIH published only the report on the consultation process from eKonsultacije and it includes information about number of participants, number of comments, number of proposals, and number of accepted proposals. But there were no comments and proposals. The reason could be the decision of no involvement of representatives of CSOs in the working group. At the very beginning of the process of developing of a new PAR Strategy, there was intent to involve the civil society into the working group, but after having applied for participation, it was decided that the document will be produced without the CSO and the process was continued without the involvement of CSOs in the working group. Feedback (report) on the proposals and suggestions during public consultations held in BL and Sarajevo is forwarded to the working group but the report is not publicly available. Although, representatives of CSOs were not involved in the working group for development of the PAR Strategy, they achieved communication with the representatives of PARCO BIH and have had the opportunity through this communication to submit suggestions and to advocate for the better results of the public administration reform in BiH.

Specific observations

No information on the website of BiH MoF; interview with BiH MoF representative - no consultations with a wide range of external stakeholders; focus on institutions; internal communication with the target group of civil society organizations - for suggestions and comments; no official reports from consultations.

Indicator score	10 (out of 30 points)
Final indicator value	1 (scale 0-5) ¹
Measurement period	May-June 2018

¹ Conversion of points: 0-5 points = 0; 6-10 points = 1; 11-15 points = 2; 16-20 points = 3; 21-25 points = 4; 26-30 points = 5.