



# CONTRIBUTING TO EVIDENCE-BASED LABOUR MIGRATION POLICIES FOR HEALTHCARE AND ICT SECTORS IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA PROJECT FACTSHEET

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Bosnia and Herzegovina has experienced large migration outflows for many decades. Although comprehensive data on this phenomenon is missing, in the recent years, the number of Bosnian citizens emigrating has reached alarming proportions. This trend is particularly evident in the healthcare and information communication and technology (ICT) sectors. In spite of the high unemployment rate, public institutions and the private sector face challenges in finding and retaining adequate personnel, with a consequent loss for the economy and a negative impact on the welfare system.

To fill the data gap, IOM will partner with Bosnia and Herzegovina relevant government authorities and the private sector to gather evidence on the scope of the emigration of healthcare and ICT professionals, assess its impact on the economy and provide recommendations to policy makers on systemic changes needed to address the negative effects of emigration. Through a participatory approach, the project will also identify and provide seed funding to innovative solutions with the potential to mitigate the effects of brain drain and maintain quality healthcare and ICT services in the country.

## **OBJECTIVE:**

Contribute to the BiH Government's efforts to improve migration governance and development of evidence-based policies related to the migration of healthcare and ICT professionals.

## **DURATION:**

December 2019 – November 2021

## **BUDGET:**

USD 200,000

## **DONOR:**

IOM Development Fund

## **TARGET LOCATION:**

Bosnia i Hercegovina

## **BENEFICIARIES:**

Policy makers; labour migrants; citizens prone to labour migration; and the communities from which they originate.

## **PARTNERS:**

State, Entity and District authorities in the field of healthcare, labour and education; public institutions; employment agencies and the private sector.

## **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS:**

