

PBF November 2025 Project Progress Report



PROJECT OVERVIEW

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Have all fund recipients for this project contributed to the report?

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☒ Yes

☐ No

Did PBF Secretariat or RCO focal point review the report?

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You should normally ensure that the PBF Secretariat or the PBF focal point have an opportunity to review.

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ Not Applicable

» Project Information and Geographical Scope

Is this a cross-border project?

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☐ Yes ☒ No

Please select the geographical region in which the project is implemented

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| <input type="radio"/> Asia and the Pacific | <input type="radio"/> Central & Southern Africa | <input type="radio"/> East Africa |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Europe and Central Asia | <input type="radio"/> Global | <input type="radio"/> Latin America and the Caribbean |
| <input type="radio"/> Middle East and North Africa | <input type="radio"/> West Africa | |

Country of project implementation *

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| <input type="radio"/> Albania | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Bosnia and Herzegovina | <input type="radio"/> Kosovo (As per UNSCR 1244) |
| <input type="radio"/> Kyrgyzstan | <input type="radio"/> Moldova | <input type="radio"/> Montenegro |
| <input type="radio"/> North Macedonia | <input type="radio"/> Serbia | <input type="radio"/> Tajikistan |
| <input type="radio"/> Uzbekistan | <input type="radio"/> Other, Specify | |

Other, please specify *

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Project Title *

- ☐ 00134115: Sustaining peace and social cohesion in Bosnia and Herzegovina through enhanced inter-municipal and inter-entity cooperation on local services (SPSC)
- ☒ 00140352: Women lead the way towards peace and security in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- ☐ 00140395: Support to a PBF Secretariat in Bosnia and Herzegovina to enhance strategic direction coordination and peacebuilding impact
- ☐ 00140558: A more Equitable Society: Promoting Social Cohesion and Diversity in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Dialogue for Future 3 – DFF3)
- ☐ 00140815: PEACESTORY: Empowering Creative Peacebuilders & Educators
- ☐ 00140937: Building long lasting peace in BiH: Investment in the future
- ☐ Other, Specify

Write the 8 digit MPTFO number and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document *

EXAMPLE: 00118938: Community-based prevention of violence and social cohesion using innovation for young people in displaced and host communities

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Please select the geographical region(s) in which the project is implemented *

If the project you are looking for does not appear in the following question, please make sure that you have selected the correct regions. A limited number of cross border projects span multiple geographic regions. For example, a cross border project between Niger and Chad spans both West Africa and Central & Southern Africa

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Asia and the Pacific | <input type="checkbox"/> Central & Southern Africa | <input type="checkbox"/> East Africa |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Middle East and North Africa | <input type="checkbox"/> West Africa | |

Please select the title of the project for which you are submitting the report *

Write the 8 digit MPTFO numbers and Project Title exactly as it appears in the Project Document *

EXAMPLE: 00129699/700: Supporting Cross-Border Cooperation for Increased Community Resilience and Social Cohesion in The Gambia and Senegal

Please select the countries where this project is being implemented *

Other, Please specify *

Project Start Date (Date of first transfer) *

2023-10-05

Project End Date *

2026-10-04

Has this project received an extension? *

- ☐ YES, Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, No Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, Both Cost and No Cost Extensions
- ☒ NO, No Extensions

Will this project be requesting an extension? *

- ☐ YES, Cost Extension
- ☒ YES, No Cost Extension
- ☐ YES, Both Cost and No Cost Extensions
- ☐ NO, No Extensions

Will this project be submitting a Fund Transfer Request (FTR) in the next six months? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If so, around which month do you expect to submit the request? *

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| <input type="radio"/> January | <input type="radio"/> February | <input type="radio"/> March |
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| <input type="radio"/> October | <input checked="" type="radio"/> November | <input type="radio"/> December |

Is the current project end date within 6 months? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Is funding disbursed either into a national or regional trust fund? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

If yes, please select which *

- ☐ National Trust Fund
- ☐ Regional Trust Fund

Recipients

Is the convening agency a UN agency or a non UN entity? *

- ☒ UN entity
- ☐ Non-UN Entity

Please select the convening agency recipient *

- ☐ UNDP: United Nations Development Programme ☐ IOM: International Organization for Migration
- ☐ UNICEF: United Nations Children's Fund
- ☐ OHCHR: Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
- ☒ UNWOMEN: United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women
- ☐ UNHCR: United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees ☐ UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund
- ☐ FAO: Food and Agriculture Organization ☐ WFP: World Food Programme
- ☐ UNHABITAT: United Nations Human Settlements Programme
- ☐ UNESCO: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
- ☐ UNEP: United Nations Environment Programme ☐ ILO: International Labour Organization
- ☐ WHO: World Health Organization ☐ PAHO/WHO
- ☐ UNCDF: United Nations Capital Development Fund ☐ UNODC: United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- ☐ UNOPS: United Nations Office for Project Services
- ☐ UNIDO: United Nations Industrial Development Organization ☐ ITC: International Trade Centre
- ☐ UNDPO ☐ Other, Specify

Other, Please specify

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Are there other recipients for this project?

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- ☐ No other recipients
- ☒ Yes, other UN recipients only
- ☐ Yes, other non-UN recipients only
- ☐ Yes, both UN and non-UN recipients

Please select other UN recipients

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Select all that apply

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- ☐ UN Department of Peace Operations ☐ Other, Specify

Other, Please specify

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Please select other non-UN recipients

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ACTED | <input type="checkbox"/> Action Aid UK | <input type="checkbox"/> AAITG (ActionAid the Gambia) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AEDE | <input type="checkbox"/> African Centre for the Constructive Resolution of Disputes (ACCORD) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agence de Coopération et de Recherche pour le Développement (ACORD) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) | <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats Sans Frontières | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats Sans Frontières Belgium | <input type="checkbox"/> Avocats sans frontières Canada | <input type="checkbox"/> Ayuda en Accion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BIRN - Balkan Investigative Reporting Network | <input type="checkbox"/> BIOM -Youth Ecological Movemen | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CARE International UK | <input type="checkbox"/> Centre d'étude et de coopération internationale (CECI) - BF | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christian Aid Ireland | <input type="checkbox"/> COIPRODEN | <input type="checkbox"/> Concern Worldwide |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conexion Guatemala | <input type="checkbox"/> COOPI - Cooperazione Internazionale | <input type="checkbox"/> CORD Burundi |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CORDAID | <input type="checkbox"/> Corporacion Sisma Mujer | <input type="checkbox"/> CRS - Catholic Relief Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DanChurchAid | <input type="checkbox"/> Danish Refugee Council | <input type="checkbox"/> EQUITAS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fund for Congolese Women | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundacion Estudios Superior (FESU) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación Mi Sangre (FMS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación Nacional para el Desarrollo de Honduras (FUNADEH) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundación para la Libertad de Prensa (FLIP) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Geneva Centre for Security Sector Governance (DCAF) | <input type="checkbox"/> HELVETAS Swiss Intercooperation | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Humanity & Inclusion (HI) | <input type="checkbox"/> ICTJ (International Center for Transitional Justice) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instituto Holandes para Democracia Multipartidaria (NIMD) | <input type="checkbox"/> Integrity Watch | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> International Alert | <input type="checkbox"/> International Rescue Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Interpeace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation | <input type="checkbox"/> Life and Peace Institute (LPI) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MDG-EISA - Institut Electoral pour une Démocratie Durable en Afrique (EISA), bureau de Madagascar | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mercy Corps | <input type="checkbox"/> MLAL - ProgettoMondo | <input type="checkbox"/> MSIS-TATAO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NIMD (Netherlands Institute for Multiparty Democracy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nonviolent Peaceforce | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nile Sustainable Development Organization - NSDO | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OCNH-Organisation des Citoyens pour une Nouvelle Haïti | <input type="checkbox"/> OIKOS | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ONG Adkoul - ONG Adkoul | <input type="checkbox"/> ONG AZHAR | <input type="checkbox"/> OXFAM |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Peace Direct | <input type="checkbox"/> Plan International | <input type="checkbox"/> PNG UN Country Fund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red de Instituciones por los Derechos de la Niñez | <input type="checkbox"/> ROI - Roza Otunbayeva Initiati | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saferworld | <input type="checkbox"/> Sampan'Asa Momba ny Fampanandrosoana (SAF/FJKM) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Save the Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Search for Common Ground (SFCG) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SIHA (Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa) | <input type="checkbox"/> SismaMujer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SOS Sahel Sudan | <input type="checkbox"/> Stichting Impunity Watch | <input type="checkbox"/> Tearfund |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Carter Center, Inc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Trocaire | <input type="checkbox"/> War Child |
| <input type="checkbox"/> War Childhood Museum (WCM) | <input type="checkbox"/> World Vision International | <input type="checkbox"/> World Vision Myanmar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ZOA | <input type="checkbox"/> blank_placeholder | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, Please specify |

Other, Please specify

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Implementing Partners

To how many implementing partners has the project transferred money **since the project's start** ?

22

To how many implementing partners has the project transferred money **during this calendar period** ?

*(for June reports: January-June;
for November reports: January-December (anticipated);
for final reports: full project duration)*

22

Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each, both since the project's start, and specifically during this calendar period

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner *

- ☐ National youth CSO
- ☐ National women's CSO
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- ☐ International NGO
- ☐ Governmental entity
- ☐ National women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Subnational women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Other

Other, Please specify

Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Obala Art Centar/Sarajevo Film Festival (SFF)

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

Please use a dot (.) as decimal separator, instead of a comma (,)

105140.96

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **since the project's start**? *

Please use a dot (.) as decimal separator, instead of a comma (,)

68797.20

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **during this calendar period?**

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34398.60

Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period

Please limit your response to 1500 characters

As part of the Sarajevo Film Festival's commitment to advancing gender equality and women's leadership in film and peacebuilding, two flagship initiatives were held in partnership with the WPS Project and regional industry partners – the Panel on Women's Voices in Cinema and Peacebuilding and the CineLink Female Voices Award 2025. Both celebrated the power of women's stories in shaping narratives of resilience, justice, and social change through cinema.

The Panel on Women's Voices in Cinema and Peacebuilding, organized under the Dealing with the Past program, featured acclaimed filmmakers from BiH and Serbia. Following screenings of Testimonies of Pain and Hope and Put Your Soul on Your Hand and Walk, the panel explored women's perspectives on memory, activism, and reconciliation. The story of Palestinian photographer Fatima Hassouna, killed shortly before her film's premiere, deeply resonated reminding audiences of the urgency to amplify women's voices in conflict and recovery.

The CineLink Female Voices Award 2025, supported by the WPS Project and the Slovenian Film Center, honored Rain Country (Türkiye) by Zeynep Köprülü and Periferi Film, recognizing its powerful exploration of gender, guilt, and resilience. With a €20,000 grant and broad international media coverage, the award spotlighted women's creative leadership and strengthened cross-regional collaboration for gender equality in cinema.

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Snaga žene

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

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15303.28

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What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **during this calendar period**? *

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period *

Please limit your response to 1500 characters

Partnership with Snaga žene was launched in year 1 and will be reactivated in project year 3 to reflect programme needs; no activities were carried out by the Partner during this calendar period. This area of work thematically covers a broad area of intervention, with their work focused on public-faced activities to promote inclusive narratives on needs of the CRSV population in partnership with communities.

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Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Agency for Gender Equality of Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the Ministry for Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina (AGE BiH)

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

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404152.11

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104083.06

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period *

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In the reporting period, AGE BiH led coordination with the Ministry of Defense (MoD) and Ministry of Security (MoS), finalizing the 2025 Operational Plan through the Coordination Board for UNSCR 1325, ensuring institutional alignment with WPS priorities. Following consultations with women and men in the defense sector, the MoD initiated a review to assess the current needs of women in uniformed services, as the initial plan for container procurement was defined in 2024 during project design. Based on these findings, the MoD proposed revising infrastructure support measures, shifting from container procurement toward solutions that better reflect women's priority needs and promote their effective participation in this sector (equipping the Travnik training center with facilities and specialized equipment to improve working conditions).

Advisors for prevention of SGBV were re-appointed within defense and security institutions, and preparations were initiated for their capacity-building. Development of a new M&E Plan aligned with the Draft 4th Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 was initiated, as well as a gender analysis of the barriers to women's participation in the security sector.

15 municipal focal points were trained with AGE BiH and follow-up actions will be launched to develop local gender and WPS plans. Collaboration with CSOs was renewed through consultative meetings, fostering dialogue on future joint actions and participatory monitoring of WPS commitments.

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- ☐ Other

Other, Please specify

Civic Participation

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Centers for Civic Initiatives (CCI)

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

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The partnership with CCI focused on organizing and facilitating 15 community dialogues (May -July 2025), engaging over 350 participants (85% women). These dialogues served as platforms for citizen engagement in WPS-related processes, generating community-driven ideas, and identifying local partners for implementation. They brought together representatives from public institutions, civil society, local leaders, women, youth, to discuss challenges, opportunities, and concrete steps to strengthen peace and security at the local level. Through a structured dialogue process, participants mapped community needs and priorities, exchanged experiences on localizing the WPS Agenda, assessed local security conditions, and developed shared visions for the future. The dialogues followed IOM Community-Based Planning Manual, a framework that promotes local ownership and inclusive participation in addressing complex challenges.

In cooperation with AGE BiH CCI also organized training on citizen participation, gender equality, and WPS localization for focal points from nine targeted communities.

Separately, CCI developed a methodology to assess the capacities of women-led CSOs, to be rolled out in November 2025. Based on the findings, CCI will implement an eight-month mentorship program and six tailored trainings to strengthen CSOs' operational and programmatic capacities.

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Other, Please specify

Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

History Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina

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53276.50

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period *

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The partnership with the History Museum of BiH aims to document and showcase the role of women in building peace, social trust and cohesion in BiH through historical and contemporary research. Field research and content development started at the beginning of this reporting period, culminating in the opening of the exhibition Our Woman on 31 October.

The exhibition honors women's role in peacebuilding and social reconstruction and explores their presence, contributions, and legacy in BiH during two post-conflict periods, after World War II and following the 1990s war. Through archival documents, historical materials and contemporary art, the exhibition examines women's experiences as spaces of social transformation, political exclusion, and persistent, often silent forms of resistance. It connects historical narratives with modern reflections on gender equality and women's agency in society.

Research covered 24 communities, resulting in 34 interviews with women peacebuilders, historians, museum professionals, and community members. Over 20 oral histories, archival materials and personal artifacts were collected and processed. 22 stories were drafted, highlighting women's contribution to rebuilding communities: through education, healthcare, culture, social protection, activism, and everyday life. 4 women artists were engaged to create works inspired by these themes.

An interactive online platform is under development to amplify these narratives and promote awareness further.

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Media Company

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Al Jazeera Balkans (AJB)

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27675.93

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The cooperation with Al Jazeera Balkans on the AJB Café podcasts focused on producing a series of 10 dialogue-format TV podcasts aligned with the WPS agenda. Relevant topics, locations and guests were identified and impactful episodes showcasing women's leadership and contributions to social cohesion and human security in BiH were produced. The initiative also featured a promotional strategy using traditional and digital media to maximize outreach.

In the reporting period, 5 episodes aired: (1) Women – Builders of Bosnian Society; (2) Equality – A Woman's Right and Personal Stance; (3) Bosnian Champions in Sports and Breaking Stereotypes; (4) Women Who Led the Way During Floods; and (5) Survivors Speak: Breaking the Silence on Wartime Sexual Violence (total reach 70,985).

Guests included representatives from government (AGE BiH), civil society (Foundation LARA Bijeljina, CURE Foundation Sarajevo, Association Snaga žene Tuzla, Most Višegrad, Nera Konjic), the private sector (MAMF Conference), international organizations (UN Women), and independent gender and human rights experts, as well as sports figures, cultural and media professionals, including the 2 organizations supported directly by PBF – War Childhood Museum and Balkan Investigative Reporting Network.

The partnership concluded following the closure of Al Jazeera Balkans in July 2025. Preparatory activities have been undertaken to contract a new service provider for the remaining 5 episodes.

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Other, Please specify

PR & Marketing Agency

What is the name of the Implementing Partner

Prime Communications

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period

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In partnership with Prime, two networking events for women-led and women-focused CSOs were held in December 2024 and February 2025, bringing together 90 participants, 95% of whom were women aged 25 to 71 (14% youth, 2 male) from across BiH, including representatives from government institutions, informal groups, both local and CSOs operating at the entity and state levels.

The thematic areas and issues these organizations address vary, with women's rights being the most prevalent, followed by civic engagement and community development, education, social protection, youth activism, and the environment. These areas may serve as important platforms for advancing peacebuilding efforts and supporting localized implementation of the WPS Agenda.

These events helped recognize potential partners/synergies among CSOs active in this field, as well as institutional and non-traditional stakeholders. In addition, they were utilized for identifying key needs and opportunities for both broader and local CSO coalition building on WPS implementation.

Participants valued the exchange of experiences, engaging discussions, networking opportunities, and practical exercises on mapping local issues. They recommended holding similar events more frequently across different regions and emphasized including voices from small and rural communities.

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Training and Education

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Foundation Systemic Training Institute

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period

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The partnership was established to support the organization of the 7th International Conference on Dialogical Practices, an important event addressing the role of dialogue and mediation in conflict contexts, local communities, intergroup relations, and peacebuilding. Held in Sarajevo in April 2025, the conference gathered 156 participants, 70% women, from across BiH and internationally.

The Conference provided a platform to showcase peacebuilding initiatives, including dialogues among women, war victims, veterans from different ethnic groups, and former foreign peacekeepers. The event highlighted the transformative power of dialogue in overcoming division, fostering social cohesion, and integrating a gender perspective into peace processes.

Insights and approaches from the Conference subsequently informed the design and facilitation of the 15 community dialogues conducted across BiH under the WPS Project, ensuring they were grounded in trauma-sensitive, inclusive, and gender-responsive dialogue practices.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner

Association Ujedinjene žene

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period

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The partnership with Association Ujedinjene žene was established to support the organization of the 5th Networking Conference – United for Peace and Security in Bosanska Krupa which was held in May 2025, bringing together approximately 310 women from across BiH and the diaspora.

The conference focused on peacebuilding and human security from a gender perspective, and the practical implications of WPS agenda within their communities.

The event served as a catalyst for the creation of the first and largest informal coalition of CSOs from BiH and the diaspora dedicated to the localization of WPS agenda. A total of 62 participating associations signed a Memorandum of Cooperation, committing to advance WPS agenda.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Foundation Lara Bijeljina

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Partnership with Foundation Lara from Bijeljina is aimed at strengthening women's leadership and enhancing the capacities of CSOs to promote women's safety and security in selected local communities through learning, networking, and joint action.

In its initial stage of implementation, Foundation Lara focused on the implementation of the Women's Peace Camp in November 2025, gathering 24 CSOs from localities targeted by the WPS Project, to enhance their understanding of the WPS Agenda and means for its localization. The Camp also served as a starting point for a structured mentoring programme through which participants, together with assigned mentors, will conduct participatory research in 17 local communities on key challenges to women's safety and security.

The findings of this research will serve as the basis for the design of a public call for sub-grants supporting women-led local initiatives addressing identified priorities. Through this approach, Foundation Lara contributes to building stronger, better-connected CSOs capable of leading and sustaining gender-responsive peacebuilding efforts at the local level.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Women Police Officer Network of Republika Srpska Ministry of Interior (RS WPON)

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Partnership with RS WPON is aimed at strengthening the capacities of local police to deliver gender-sensitive services to marginalized populations in eight local communities across Republika Srpska.

In its initial stage of implementation, RS WPON started preparatory activities and began developing a comprehensive training manual for police officers in Republika Srpska. The manual focuses on the WPS Agenda and gender-sensitive policing, aiming to strengthen understanding of WPS principles and their practical application within the police sector.

This manual will serve as the foundation for upcoming training sessions for police officers at the local level, with a focus on integrating human security principles, enhancing gender sensitivity, and improving prevention and protection measures in response to contemporary security challenges.

Through this work, RS WPON contributes to institutionalizing gender-responsive policing and advancing women's leadership within the security sector.

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Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner

Center for psychological support Mostar SENSUS

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The UN Women Informal Technical Evaluation Committee (ITEC) has selected Sensus under the Call for Proposals: Strengthening CSO Non-Traditional Actors to Advance Cross-Community Collaboration and the WPS Agenda, with the partnership currently in the finalization stage.

Sensus works with women, youth, displaced persons, and other disadvantaged groups, especially survivors of violence and trauma to promote healing, inclusion, and empowerment. Through this project, Sensus will bring together women from both BiH entities to co-lead creative peacebuilding initiatives, including a street art festival, joint exhibitions, and dialogue sessions in Mostar and Banja Luka. By combining art, storytelling, and advocacy, the Partner will amplify women's voices as peacebuilders and strengthen cross-community trust, advancing the WPS agenda in BiH.

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Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Friends of Art/Sarajevo Photography Festival (SPF)

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Through its project Framing Peace: A Platform for Visual Storytelling and Dialogue, SPF will promote women's leadership and participation in peacebuilding by using photography as a tool for dialogue and inclusion. The initiative addresses the lack of visibility and representation of women photographers in BiH and their limited access to cultural platforms. Key activities include a 10-week digital campaign (#FramingPeace), the Sarajevo Photography Festival 2026 with cross-entity participation, and an open call and award for the best female photography project.

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Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Eternal Flame/WARM Festival (WARM)

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The UN Women Informal Technical Evaluation Committee (ITEC) has selected WARM under the Call for Proposals: Strengthening CSO Non-Traditional Actors to Advance Cross-Community Collaboration and the WPS Agenda, with the partnership currently in the finalization stage.

Based in Sarajevo, WARM is an independent, non-governmental organization that for over a decade has provided a platform for journalists, artists, researchers, and civil society actors to engage in truth-telling, dialogue, and creative storytelling about conflict and recovery. Through its 2025 follow-up activities and the 2026 WARM Festival and Academy, the Partner will advance women's leadership and cross-entity collaboration by using arts, journalism, and public dialogue to promote inclusive peace narratives across BiH.

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Arts and Culture – Non-traditional Actor

What is the name of the Implementing Partner

DIS - Youth Theater Banja Luka

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The UN Women Informal Technical Evaluation Committee (ITEC) has selected DIS under the Call for Proposals: Strengthening CSO Non-Traditional Actors to Advance Cross-Community Collaboration and the WPS Agenda, with the partnership currently in the finalization stage.

Through its Emerging Voices project, DIS will create space for women's leadership and creativity to showcase, especially for those whose work often goes unseen in their local communities. The Partner will bring together women from rural, urban, and ethnically diverse areas of BiH to tell their own stories through theatre, tackling issues such as gender inequality, generational divides, and social taboos. Each participating woman will lead the creation of an original performance, supported by mentorship and local collaboration, after completing an intensive training in Banja Luka focused on art, civic engagement, and communication. These performances will later come together at the Emerging Voices Festival, celebrating women's strength, creativity, and courage to speak up.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Nera, Konjic

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Partnership with the Association Nera, a CSO representing communities that were affected by catastrophic floods and landslides in October 2024 has resulted in the Planeta ŽeNERA 2025 – Festival of Resistance, Creativity and Solidarity in May 2025 in Konjic, gathering over 100 participants from across the country and the region, including activists, artists, students, and women from rural and disadvantaged communities.

The festival offered a rich and diverse program of panel discussions, interactive workshops, artistic performances, and outdoor activities, all designed to foster feminist dialogue, emotional resilience, and collective empowerment. The Festival showcased successful peacebuilding from across BiH, such as the use of a human library in Una-Sana Canton, specifically in Velika Kladuša to address the conflict among other ethnicities, but also the inter-Bosniak conflict.

The festival successfully created a safe and inclusive environment where participants from flooded communities, and the rest of BiH and the region, could openly address sensitive topics such as trauma and mental health, leading to increased motivation for local activism, and immediate application of tools shared during the event. Participants expressed a strong desire for similar gatherings in their communities and proposed the development of an online platform for continued exchange.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association of Prijedor Women Izvor

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period *

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The IOM Implementing Partners' Selection Committee (IPSC) has preselected Association of Prijedor Women Izvor under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The partnership with Izvor aims to empower women by increasing knowledge of the WPS agenda, women's rights, and increasing access to services through informative materials, small-group meetings, and foundational workshops. Safe learning spaces will support personal development and motivation plans, while peer-support groups and monitoring schemes ensure continuity.

To enhance well-being and resilience of women, the project will provide mental health sessions, practical exercises, and group counseling, alongside intergenerational dialogues and storytelling to connect younger women with mentors and foster advocacy. Cooperation and visibility of women's initiatives will be strengthened through joint meetings, exchange visits, and a regional fair, complemented by planning sessions to sustain peace building and collaboration beyond the project.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Local Democracy Agency Mostar (LDA)

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The IOM IPSC has selected Local Democracy Agency Mostar under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The Partner aims to localize the WPS agenda in Mostar, Stolac, Ljubuški, Grude, Široki Brijeg, and Posušje, addressing social fragmentation, gender inequalities and the exclusion of rural, young and disadvantaged women. Building on their previous initiatives, including Mostar's Gender Action Plan (2023-2027), it adopts a community-based approach integrating social, economic and political inclusion. Key activities will include creating 6 women-led circles as safe spaces for dialogue and local initiative planning, supported by mentorship from the implementing partner. These circles will host workshops on governance, WPS principles, and participatory planning, and support women in engaging with local councils and accessing civic education materials. To reduce economic vulnerability, the partner will deliver workshops on entrepreneurship, digital literacy, and financial management, complemented by mentorship from women entrepreneurs.

Public awareness campaigns will challenge stereotypes and highlight women's contributions, culminating in a dissemination conference in Mostar.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Kontrola, Stolac

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The IOM IPSC has selected Association Kontrola from Stolac under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The project aims to strengthen women's participation, visibility and agency in Eastern Herzegovina by combining media storytelling with structured dialogue to advance the WPS agenda. Planned activities include co-producing the Same Strength media series with 8 feature stories and 8 short news pieces published on two portals, and launching the Everyday Heroines digital campaign with videos, quotes, and infographics to reach at least 5,000 beneficiaries and engage audiences through interactive polls and comments. The Partner will also create an online women's support network for over 30 members, offering peer support on employment, education and safety, and distribute service-mapping sheets for easy referrals.

To amplify women's voices in decision-making, two local forums will be held in Stolac and Trebinje to present findings, identify shared priorities, and ensure representation of rural women, youth, and women with disabilities. These inputs will be consolidated into a Manifesto of Women in Eastern Herzegovina, validated by participants, and publicly disseminated through portals and a symbolic handover to municipal councils.

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What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Women from Una

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The IOM IPSC has selected Association Women from Una under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The project promotes social and economic inclusion of rural women in Una-Sana Canton (Cazin, Bihać, Velika Kladuša), addressing barriers such as unemployment, low digital literacy, and limited professional opportunities. Planned activities include four cycles of digital literacy training (Word, Excel, email, internet safety) with practical tasks like CV writing and job applications; entrepreneurship and financial literacy workshops on business planning, marketing and financial management; and networking sessions with local entrepreneurs.

Women will also gain marketable skills through hands-on training in tailoring, food processing, and hospitality, supported by study visits to businesses and cooperatives. Ten women will receive mentorship through individual and group sessions to build confidence and prepare for future opportunities, thereby strengthening economic prospects and fostering greater social cohesion in their communities.

Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each, both since the project's start, and specifically during this calendar period

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner

- ☐ National youth CSO
- ☐ National women's CSO
- ☒ Other National CSO
- ☐ Subnational youth CSO
- ☐ Subnational women's CSO
- ☐ Other subnational CSO
- ☐ Regional CSO
- ☐ Regional Organisation
- ☐ International NGO
- ☐ Governmental entity
- ☐ National women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Subnational women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association Nešto Više

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

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28366.78

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **since the project's start**? *

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What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **during this calendar period**? *

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period *

Please limit your response to 1500 characters

The IOM IPSC has selected Association Nešto Više under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The project aims to empower up to 30 women from rural areas of Mostar and Rogatica, including women living with disabilities, by strengthening their skills, confidence, and participation in socio-economic and community life.

To promote lasting economic empowerment, the project will organize workshops that aim to strengthen participants' capacity to generate income and manage small-scale enterprises. Combining skills development with access to shared production resources will ensure sustainability beyond the project.

Please list all of the project's implementing partners and the amounts (in USD) transferred to each, both since the project's start, and specifically during this calendar period

Please select the type of organisation which best describes the type of implementing partner *

- ☐ National youth CSO
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- ☐ International NGO
- ☐ Governmental entity
- ☐ National women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Subnational women's and youth CSO
- ☐ Other

Other, Please specify

What is the name of the Implementing Partner *

Association for psycho-social support and better future Progress Sarajevo

What is the planned total amount (in USD) for the **overall duration of the project** to be disbursed to this implementing partner? *

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29768.89

What is the total amount (in USD) disbursed to the implementing partner **since the project's start**? *

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Briefly describe the main activities carried out by the Implementing Partner during this calendar period

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The IOM IPSC has selected Association Progress under the Open Call for Expression of Interest for women and women's grass-roots organizations aiming to ensure lasting responses to building and sustaining peace and development in the country, and this partnership is currently in the finalization stage.

The project addresses the limited capacity of local CSOs working with marginalized women, and the lack of opportunities for cross-community collaboration beyond ethno-national divisions. Many CSOs face constraints such as insufficient funding, staffing, and infrastructure, limited access to training and mentorship, and low visibility among decision-makers. The project seeks to address these gaps by creating inclusive spaces where women can discuss challenges, learn about their rights, and promote non-violence within their communities.

Planned activities include gatherings in 6 local communities, each bringing together up to 20 women from diverse backgrounds, such as survivors of violence, women living with disabilities, mothers of children with developmental difficulties, entrepreneurs, and activists. These meetings will focus on women's rights and building non-violent communities that contribute to a safer environment for all, complemented by hands-on craft workshops to foster solidarity. The Partner will also strengthen cooperation among women CSO representatives through 3 online meetings for experience-sharing and joint recommendations and establish an inter-community support group with thematic sessions to overcome ethno-national narratives.

Financial Reporting

» Delivery by Recipient

Please enter the total amounts in full US dollars allocated to each recipient organization

Please enter the original budget amount, amount transferred to date and estimated expenditure by recipient.

*Please make sure you enter the correct amount. All values should be entered in **US Dollars***

For cross-border projects, group the amounts by agency, even if different country offices are involved. You will have the opportunity to share a more detailed budget in the next section.

Recipients	Total Project Budget (in full US \$) <i>Please enter the total budget as is in the project document in US Dollars</i>	Transfers to date (in full US \$) <i>Please enter the total amount transferred to each recipient to date in US Dollars</i>	Expenditure to date (in full US \$) <i>Please enter the approximate amount spent to date in US dollars</i>	Implementati on rate as a percentage of total budget (calculated automatically)

UNWOMEN: United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women	2303500.00	1612450.00	1365979.27	59.3%
				%
IOM: International Organization for Migration	1717900.00	1202530.00	692088.04	40.29%
UNFPA: United Nations Population Fund	978600.00	685020.00	457649.70	46.77%
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TOTAL	5000000	3500000	2515717.01	50.31%

The approximate implementation rate as percentage of total project budget based on the values entered in the above matrix is **50.31%**. Can you confirm that this is correct?

☒ Correct ☐ Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the approximate implementation rate as a %

» Gender-responsive Budgeting

Indicate what **percentage (%)** of the budget contributes to gender equality or women's empowerment (GEWE) as per the project document? *

99.99

The dollar amount of the budget contributing to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE) based on percentage entered above and total project budget is **US \$ 4999500**. Can you confirm that this is correct? *

☐ Correct ☒ Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *budget amount* allocated to GEWE in US Dollars *

5000000

Amount expended to date on efforts contributing to gender equality or women's empowerment is **US \$ 2515465.44**. Is this correct? *

☐ Correct ☒ Incorrect

If it is incorrect, please enter the *expenditure to date* on GEWE in US dollars *

2515717.01

ATTACH PROJECT EXCEL BUDGET SHOWING CURRENT APPROXIMATE EXPENDITURE. *

The templates for the budget are available [here](#)

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Project Markers

Please select the Gender Marker Associated with this project *

- ☐ Score 1 for projects that contribute in some way to gender equality, but not significantly (less than 30% of the total budget for GEWE)
- ☐ Score 2 for projects that have gender equality as a significant objective and allocate between 30 and 79% of the total project budget to GEWE
- ☒ Score 3 for projects that have gender equality as a principal objective and allocate at least 80% of the total project budget to Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment (GEWE)

Please select the Risk Marker Associated with this project *

- ☐ Risk marker 0 = low risk to achieving outcomes
- ☒ Risk marker 1 = medium risk to achieving outcomes
- ☐ Risk marker 2 = high risk to achieving outcomes

Please select the PBF Focus Area associated with this project

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- ☐ (1.1) Security Sector Reform
- ☐ (1.2) Rule of Law
- ☐ (1.3) Demobilisation, Disarmament and Reintegration
- ☐ (1.4) Political Dialogue
- ☐ (2.1) National reconciliation
- ☐ (2.2) Democratic Governance
- ☐ (2.3) Conflict prevention/management
- ☐ (3.1) Employment
- ☐ (3.2) Equitable access to social services
- ☒ (4.1) Strengthening of essential national state capacity
- ☐ (4.2) Extension of state authority/Local Administration
- ☐ (4.3) Governance of peacebuilding resources (including PBF Secretariats)

Is the project part of one or more PBF priority windows?

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Select all that apply

- ☒ Gender promotion initiative
- ☐ Youth promotion initiative
- ☐ Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions
- ☐ Cross-border or regional project
- ☐ None

Steering Committee and Government engagement

Does the project have an active steering committee/ project board? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please indicate how many times the Project Steering Committee has met over the last 6 months?

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The Project Steering Committee (PSC), co-chaired by the UN Resident Coordinator and the Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), convened once in the reporting period, on 29 January 2025 (2nd meeting since the Project started). The PSC includes representatives from relevant national level ministries (Ministry of Human Rights and refugees BiH, Ministry of Defense BiH, Ministry of Security BiH and Ministry of Civil Affairs BiH), entity-level ministries (Ministry of Family, Youth, and Sports of Republika Srpska (RS), Ministry of Health of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (FBiH) and Ministry of European Integration and International Cooperation of RS, civil society organization (CSO) representative (Foundation “Lara” Bijeljina representing women BiH wide CSO’s peace network “Peace with Women’s face”) and UN Women, UNFPA and IOM representatives. In the reporting period, Foundation Lara stepped down from the PSC after being selected as an implementing partner under the WPS Project, and the process of selecting a new representative from the network “Peace with Women’s Face” is underway and to be confirmed in the next PSC meeting.

The PSC reviewed strong progress in implementation, including 77% utilization of first-tranche funds and expanded partnerships with institutions, CSOs, and non-traditional actors. Despite delays linked to floods, local elections, and political crisis in the country, the PSC validated adjustments to the results framework and budget and discussed no-cost extension until March 2027. The 2025 work plan was endorsed, emphasizing localization, service provision, and engagement across sectors and entities. The PSC also agreed to postpone the mid-term evaluation to November 2025 and enhance documentation practices and institutional visibility. The second PSC meeting in the reporting period (third overall) is scheduled for mid-December 2025.

Please provide a brief description of any engagement that the project has had with the government over the last 6 months. Please indicate what level of government the project has been engaging with.

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The Project maintained strong engagement with government institutions at all levels, advancing ownership and coordination of the WPS agenda.

At the state level, collaboration with the BiH Agency for Gender Equality (AGE BiH) under the Ministry for Human Rights and Refugees remained central. AGE BiH led implementation of activities under the partnership agreement, including coordination with sectoral ministries and contributions to the upcoming National Action Plan (NAP) 1325 (2025-2030), which is still pending adoption by the BiH Council of Ministers. The proposed NAP was considered in September 2025 and, despite majority support (8 votes), 1 vote against triggered Article 18(3) – requiring cross-constituent approval – thus delaying adoption until a reconciliation step is completed. Jointly with the WPS Project, AGE BiH co-hosted the first International Conference on WPS in Sarajevo which gathered 150 participants (118 women, 32 men) and the “Women Lead. Peace Follows.” event series reaching 246 participants (186 women, 60 men), strengthening inter-ministerial cooperation and positioning BiH as a regional WPS leader. In October 2025, BiH became the 1st country in the Western Balkans and Europe and Central Asia (ECA) region to join the global WPS-HA Compact, committing to 57 national and institutional actions. The Ministry of Defense of BiH and Armed Forces of BiH initiated dialogue on establishing a gender coordination body and a Women’s Network, while the Ministry of Foreign Affairs highlighted WPS progress at the UNGA High-Level Meeting. AGE BiH’s participation in the WPS Focal Points Network meeting in Tokyo further reinforced BiH’s international leadership.

At the entity level, the project formalized cooperation with the Federal Ministry of Interior through a Memorandum of Understanding in October 2025, integrating WPS principles into police training and operational practices. A Training-of-Trainers program reached 28 police officers (50% women) across 6 cantons, while in Republika Srpska, modular training materials on WPS and gender-sensitive policing were initiated through Women Police Officer Network of Republika Srpska Ministry of Interior. Partnerships with entity-level Ministries of Health advanced survivor-centered service provision, training nearly 200 healthcare professionals and enabling peer-to-peer knowledge sharing. Collaboration with the Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Policy was agreed to strengthen multi-sectoral services for CRSV survivors.

At the local level, 20 municipal governments participated in 15 community dialogues on WPS localization, nominating focal points to coordinate activities with AGE BiH. These dialogues engaged 365 participants (85% women) and generated community-driven ideas for implementation. In October 2025, 9 focal points received training on citizen participation, gender equality and WPS localization, marking the start of a structured capacity-building process.

PART I: OVERALL PROJECT PROGRESS

NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE REPORT:

- Avoid acronyms and UN jargon, use general /common language.
- Report on what has been achieved in the reporting period, not what the project aims to do.
- Be as concrete as possible. Avoid theoretical, vague or conceptual discourse.
- Ensure the analysis and project progress assessment is gender and age sensitive.

Please rate the implementation status of the following preliminary/preparatory activities

Contracting of partners



Not Started



Initiated



Partially Completed



Completed



Not Applicable

Staff Recruitment

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- ☐ Not Started ☐ Initiated ☐ Partially Completed
☒ Completed ☐ Not Applicable

Collection of baselines

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- ☐ Not Started ☐ Initiated ☐ Partially Completed
☒ Completed ☐ Not Applicable

Identification of beneficiaries

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- ☐ Not Started ☐ Initiated ☐ Partially Completed
☒ Completed ☐ Not Applicable

Provide any additional descriptive information relating to the status of the project, including whether preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (i.e. contracting of partners, staff recruitment, etc.)

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Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The project continued strengthening its implementation base through new and ongoing partnerships.

Institutional partnerships were established with the Agency for Gender Equality of BiH to advance state-level leadership on WPS implementation; with Women Police Officer Network of Republika Srpska Ministry of Interior (RS WPON) to enhance gender-sensitive policing; and with the Faculty of Criminal Justice, Criminology and Security Studies to integrate WPS principles into academic curricula and develop new modules. A contract with Lucid Linx was concluded to provide technical expertise and deliver specialized police trainings in the Federation of BiH. All partners completed staffing and coordination processes, and Lucid Linx finalized a baseline across six selected cantons to inform tailored training design. Preparations for RS WPON baselines will be completed in the next period.

A partnership with the History Museum of BiH strengthened institutional engagement through a research initiative that led to an exhibition documenting women's contributions to post-war recovery, featuring 22 newly drafted stories from project-targeted communities. Opened on 31 October 2025, the exhibition drew around 300 visitors and will remain on display until 25 November 2025. The collaboration reinforced the Museum's role as a cultural and knowledge hub and expanded its engagement with women artists and researchers.

Civil society partnerships included cooperation with Foundation Lara to support WPS localization, with plans for the baseline assessment to be completed in the next period. Two coalition-building partnerships were also established: Ujedinjene Žene mobilized a network of 300 women (approx. 60 CSOs from BiH and diaspora) who signed the first formal WPS cooperation memorandum; and Association Nera from Konjic gathered over 100 women from flood-affected communities across BiH and the region, laying the groundwork for a new women's coalition.

Localization and community dialogue partnerships were strengthened through sustained cooperation with the Center for Civic Initiatives (CCI), resulting in 15 community dialogues across 17 communities, training for 9 local focal points, enhanced coordination with the AGE BiH, and a capacity-building program for grassroots women's organizations. A new non-traditional partnership with the International Multireligious Intercultural Center (IMIC) introduced religious actors to the WPS framework, facilitating dialogues between religious leaders and conflict-affected women to promote cohesion and reduce stigma around CRSV.

At the time of reporting, the project was finalizing 11 additional partnerships with women's peacebuilding CSOs and non-traditional stakeholders.

The project finalized its results management framework and collected baseline data for most indicators. Outcome Indicator 2.3 was established through a survey in May-July 2025 across 30 municipalities. Results were reported as an index derived from average scores.

Describe overall progress under each Outcome made during the reporting period (*for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-December (anticipated); for final reports: full project duration*). Do not list individual activities. If the project is starting to make/has made a difference at the outcome level, provide specific evidence for the progress (quantitative and qualitative) and explain how it impacts the broader political and peacebuilding context.

Is the project on track for the timely completion of outputs as indicated in the workplan? *

☐ Yes

☒ No

If no, please provide an explanation *

Please limit your response to 6000 characters

The project remains slightly off track in terms of the timely completion of its outputs, largely due to a highly volatile political environment that has constrained timely engagement with institutions and communities. While significant efforts were undertaken to recover from initial inception delays, a series of political developments in 2024-2025 created conditions that directly and indirectly slowed implementation.

At the state level, the political blockade that began in February 2025 stalled decision-making processes, limited availability of institutional counterparts, and delayed coordination across sectors. The situation further weakened with growing inter-entity tensions and polarization, which deepened following the constitutional and institutional crisis in the Republika Srpska (RS) entity as a result of the CEC's removal of the RS President in August 2025, subsequent court rulings, and the RS National Assembly's rejection of state-level decisions. In addition to a prolonged legitimacy vacuum, a caretaker government with limited mandate and conflicting instructions issued to local authorities, this escalation heightened mistrust between entity and state institutions, disrupted regular communication channels and limited opportunities for coordination across levels of governance. Municipalities and service providers in RS faced legal ambiguity, political pressure, and uncertainty about cooperation with state institutions – all of which slowed planning, authorizations, and coordination under several project outputs.

The announcement of a referendum in RS for October 2025, which was subsequently cancelled, followed by preparations for early presidential elections in November 2025, further intensified political polarization. Local officials, election commissions, and public employees faced contradictory directives from entity and state authorities, making engagement on sensitive issues such as WPS, community cohesion, and gender-responsive policing more time-consuming and risk-sensitive. Civil society partners also operated in a constrained environment marked by increased intimidation of opposition actors, heightened scrutiny over donor-funded activities, and the re-criminalization of defamation, which together created operational hesitancy and delayed community-level programming.

Despite these tensions, the WPS Project succeeded in creating and safeguarding space for inter-entity collaboration, enabling institutions and CSOs from both entities to participate jointly in WPS-related training, coordination, and peacebuilding activities. These exchanges strengthened professional networks, reinforced trust, and demonstrated that the WPS Agenda remains a viable and neutral platform for cooperation even in a polarized environment. At the same time, the project continued to advance evidence-based work, build strategic partnerships, and initiate both institutional and community-level activities. Engagement approaches were adapted for conflict sensitivity, partner safety, and operational continuity, with mitigation measures, including flexible sequencing, closer coordination with local CSOs, and prioritization of activities in stable municipalities, helping to reduce delays and sustain progress toward planned outcomes.

The current political context continues to require careful navigation, but the project is well positioned to accelerate implementation in the upcoming period as conditions allow.

Project progress summary

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Institutional coordination and accountability for WPS advanced significantly. AGE BiH provided strategic leadership through the 2025 Operational Plan, aligning actions of security, defense, justice, and human rights institutions with UNSCR 1325. National mechanisms, including the Coordination Board for UNSCR 1325 and the security-sector Coordination Mechanism in the Ministry of Security, strengthened coherence and mainstreamed WPS into sectoral planning. Institutional accountability improved through the development of a new M&E Plan and an ongoing gender analysis of the security sector, which will serve as key evidence for the 4th National Action Plan. At the local level, 9 municipal focal points received training, and all 15 piloted participatory engagement through 15 community dialogues, reinforcing their readiness for WPS localization.

Institutional capacities in policing and service provision strengthened. 28 police officers (50% women) from 6 cantons completed a TOT programme on gender-sensitive and community-oriented policing, enabling integration of WPS principles into police training systems. In Republika Srpska, RS WPON developed modular training materials and prepared for needs assessments across 7 police units, enhancing institutional preparedness for gender-responsive policing. In the health sector, progress exceeded expectations: 73 professionals from 39 institutions – representing 71% of all RS public health facilities – completed survivor-centered service training that strengthened their capacity to prevent and respond to all forms of violence against women and girls and deliver equitable, trauma-informed care for conflict-affected women, achieving a 69% increase in knowledge and building a stronger response system. Sustainability is reinforced through the TOT model launched in 2024, whose alumni replicated knowledge within their institutions and introduced standardized documentation tools, creating a self-sustaining cycle of quality improvement across service levels.

Civil society leadership and local-level peacebuilding capacities expanded. 20 women's organizations from 17 communities strengthened their leadership through Foundation Lara's Women's Peace Camp in October 2025, initiating a mentoring process to identify local security challenges that will shape sub-grants in the next period. Strong demand for the programme on CSO financial sustainability (24 CSOs, 48 applicants) highlighted the sector's vulnerability amid shrinking civic space and confirmed the relevance of the project's support package. Coalition-building progressed in May 2025 with the establishment of the first informal WPS coalition of 62 CSOs from BiH and the diaspora, and through NERA's regional networking involving over 100 women, laying groundwork for cross-community cooperation in flood-affected municipalities.

Local dialogues and cross-community collaboration advanced. Between May and July, 20 municipalities nominated focal points who facilitated 15 community dialogues with more than 350 participants (85% women). These dialogues identified local WPS priorities, strengthened cooperation between institutions and communities, and will inform a small-grants window for local peace initiatives. The partnership with CCI professionalized this work by training nine local focal points and enhancing coordination with AGE BiH, contributing to more coherent national-local implementation.

Culture, art, media and academia increasingly serve as platforms for transforming narratives and broadening entry points for WPS. Partnerships with the Sarajevo Film Festival, Al Jazeera Balkans and the History Museum of BiH positioned WPS within cultural and media spaces. Five AJB Café podcast episodes reached more than 150,000 viewers, amplifying survivor voices, women's leadership, and gender-sensitive crisis response. The History Museum partnership produced the exhibition *Our Woman*, documenting 22 stories of women's contributions to recovery and modernization after the last two wars, reinforcing the Museum as a knowledge and memory institution. Academic engagement advanced through the WPS Summer School and new WPS module embedded at the Faculty of Criminal Justice, Criminology and Security Studies, strengthening long-term sustainability and creating synergies between the WPS and YPS agendas resulting in opportunities for inter-generational dialogue and knowledge transfer.

Interreligious and non-traditional actors became new allies in peacebuilding. Through collaboration with faith leaders, over 20 women leaders from Islamic, Orthodox, and Catholic communities implemented women-led initiatives in 5 municipalities. The Bratunac dialogue, held in October 2025, one of BiH's most sensitive post-conflict settings, demonstrated the courage of Bosniak and Serb women who jointly confronted stigma surrounding conflict-related sexual violence. In Tuzla, for the first time under this project, leaders of all 3 major religious institutions engaged constructively in a survivor-centered dialogue, signaling a potential shift in interfaith engagement on CRSV stigma. Recognizing the absence of safe public spaces for discussing CRSV, the project introduced theatre as an innovative entry point, with the performance *Kućica za pse* (Dog House) in Banja Luka in October 2025, catalyzing empathy and community reflection in a challenging environment.

Strategic regional and international positioning was strengthened through the Sarajevo Pledge. At the June 2025

international conference marking the 25th anniversary of UNSCR 1325, the Sarajevo Pledge was launched as a global call to revitalize the WPS Agenda across 7 priority areas. By October 2025, it had been endorsed by 47 institutions from 30 countries. The Pledge elevated BiH's profile as a regional leader and provided a unifying platform informing project activities, diplomacy, and global advocacy, with plans in 2026 to further promote it through key intergovernmental processes and global WPS platforms.

Indicate any additional analysis on how Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment and/or Youth Inclusion and Responsiveness has been ensured by the project to date

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

Youth inclusion has been a strategic priority throughout the project, with deliberate mechanisms put in place to ensure that young people, especially young women, can meaningfully participate in and influence peace and security processes at local, national, and global levels. The project's approach moved beyond participation to creating leadership pathways, reducing structural barriers, institutionalizing youth-focused learning, and amplifying youth voices within formal policy spaces.

Expanded access for diverse young people to enter WPS spaces. The Project created a regional youth platform with global reach by expanding access for diverse young people to enter WPS spaces. Through cooperation with the PBF-funded regional Youth 4 Inclusion, Equality & Trust programme, support (travel, accommodation, participation costs) was secured for young women and men, removing barriers related to affordability, mobility and administrative access. This enabled participation of 50 students from 11 countries in the WPS Summer School in September 2025. The 5-day programme combined lectures, exercises, case studies and field visits, equipping participants with practical skills in gender-responsive peacebuilding, conflict analysis, and cross-community collaboration. This model positioned BiH as a regional hub for WPS/YPS education and established a diverse network of young peacebuilders capable of influencing local, regional, and international debates.

Institutionalized youth engagement through higher education reform. The Faculty of Criminal Justice, Criminology and Security Studies of the Sarajevo University (UNSA) successfully introduced the elective course on Women, Peace and Security into the accredited university curriculum, endorsed by the UNSA Senate in May 2025. This ensures long-term integration of WPS and YPS principles into the education of future security professionals in BiH.

Amplified youth leadership in global policymaking. The project supported young peacebuilder and WPS Summer School participant, Nia Abadžić, to brief Member States at the Peacebuilding Commission and participate in the global Peace Circle in October 2025. Her recommendations on leadership, civic space, climate security, and partnerships contributed directly to the 2nd Independent Progress Study on YPS and to UN Women's forthcoming thematic paper on WPS-YPS linkages. Her engagement demonstrates how project-supported youth leadership can shape global norms and inform intergenerational dialogue.

Youth inclusion was mainstreamed across project structures. Young women contributed to community dialogues and emerging coalitions and collaborated with faith and CSO actors in cross-community initiatives. Youth voices influenced the Sarajevo Pledge and the framing of national and regional WPS priorities, reinforcing a model where young women are recognized not as participants, but as co-creators of peacebuilding agendas.

Is the project 1+ year in implementation?

☒ Yes

☐ No

FOR PROJECTS 1+ YEAR IN IMPLEMENTATION ONLY:

Is the project demonstrating outcome-level peacebuilding results?

Outcome-level peacebuilding results entail results achieved at the societal or structural level, including changed attitudes, behaviours or institutions.

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide concrete examples of such peacebuilding results

Please limit your response to 6000 characters

The project is demonstrating clear outcome-level peacebuilding results through measurable institutional change, strengthened cross-community cooperation, and shifts in attitudes and behaviors across BiH. At the national level, institutional coordination on WPS has advanced through the strengthened role of the Agency for Gender Equality (AGE BiH), which is leading the development of a new national M&E framework aligned with the forthcoming 4th NAP 1325. This work is increasing coherence, accountability, and data quality across ministries of security, defense and human rights.

Higher education has also undergone structural change: the University of Sarajevo formally integrated a new accredited course, Women, Peace and Security, into its 2025 curriculum, creating the first institutionalized academic pathway for WPS in BiH. These developments represent durable shifts in systems responsible for planning, reporting, and delivering on WPS commitments.

Local-level institutional responsiveness is also strengthened. Emerging WPS coordination mechanisms in Novo Goražde, Višegrad, and Zavidovići marked the first cross-entity engagement between local governments and women's CSOs on WPS localization. Public service institutions demonstrated behavioral and operational shifts: in the Republika Srpska, 73 health and social workers from 39 institutions (71% of the system at primary level of care) completed specialized training, achieving a 69.44% increase in knowledge and replicating new practices internally through a ToT model. In the Federation, 28 police officers (50% women) improved their skills in gender-sensitive and community-oriented policing, informing future operational practice. Together, these changes indicate growing institutional openness to gender-responsive service delivery for conflict-affected and marginalized women.

Behavioral and attitudinal change is visible across communities. The project supported 15 community dialogues in 17 WPS localities, engaging over 350 participants (85% women) who collectively identified local peace and security priorities and generated a joint advocacy statement presented during SDG Week 2025. This process strengthened women's agency, expanded social ties across entities, and increased institutional willingness to consider women-led priorities. Two major cross-entity coalitions illustrate these shifts: (1) a historic network of 62 women's organizations and diaspora groups formed through Ujedinjene Žene, and (2) a new coalition of women from flood-affected areas linking six municipalities. These coalitions reflect strengthened trust, shared agendas, and sustained collective action beyond individual activities.

The project achieved significant breakthroughs in trust-building and reconciliation in politically sensitive environments. In the wider Srebrenica region, cooperation between IMIC, local CSOs, and women leaders enabled cross-entity collaboration on stigma surrounding conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV). In Bratunac, women from Bosniak and Serb communities jointly led survivor-centered dialogues despite last-minute withdrawal of religious leaders, demonstrating increased confidence and solidarity in addressing long-standing taboos. Conversely, in Tuzla, Islamic, Catholic, and Orthodox faith representatives engaged together for the first time under the WPS framework, publicly affirming responsibility toward survivors and helping shift community attitudes toward dignity and justice. These engagements represent rare and highly consequential forms of inter-faith and inter-community cooperation in post-conflict BiH.

Narratives supporting peace and social cohesion also shifted through cultural and academic institutions. Under the WPS-HA Compact, where BiH is the first committed ECA country, four signatories launched initiatives advancing WPS implementation, including the Historical Museum of BiH, which created an archive and exhibition documenting women's contributions to recovery after the last two wars. Such partnerships anchor WPS principles within public institutions and strengthen societal recognition of women as peacebuilders.

Finally, significant structural change occurred in youth leadership and cross-community engagement. Cooperation with the regional Youth 4 Inclusion, Equality & Trust PBF-funded programme removed barriers to participation for young women and men, enabling broad regional access to the WPS Summer School. The initiative generated unprecedented interest, receiving 5,003 applications worldwide, and enrolling 1% (50 students) from 11 countries, positioning BiH as a regional hub for WPS/YPS education. Participants formed a growing regional network of young peacebuilders, while one participant, Nia Abadžić, represented the voices of youth in BiH at the Peacebuilding Commission and UN Peace Circle, delivering global policy recommendations on women's leadership and civic space. Her engagement illustrates how project-supported youth actors are influencing global WPS/YPS agendas and amplifying women's and youth voices beyond BiH.

Collectively, these institutional reforms, strengthened cross-entity cooperation, expanding women-led coalitions, inter-religious breakthroughs, and global youth engagement demonstrate that the project is generating tangible,

outcome-level peacebuilding change, shifting behaviors, shaping institutions, and rebuilding trust across some of the most divided communities in BiH.

If yes, please provide sources or references (including links) as evidence of peacebuilding results, or submit them as additional attachments.

Evidence may be quantitative or qualitative but needs to demonstrate progress against outcome indicators in the project results framework. Sources may include project surveys (such as perception surveys), monitoring reports, government documents, or other knowledge products that have been developed by the project.

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PART II: PROJECT RESULTS FRAMEWORK

How many OUTCOMES does this project have *

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Please write out the project outcomes as they are in the project results framework found in the project document

Outcome 1:

The Women, Peace and Security agenda is advanced through coherent implementation at national and local levels and shaped by women's participation and leadership, including in enhancing the responsiveness of public service-delivery

Outcome 2:

Women's voices and roles in sustaining peace and social cohesion are amplified through collaboration, transformative narratives and country-wide dialogues on Women, Peace and Security

Outcome 3:

Outcome 4:

Outcome 5:

Outcome 6:

Outcome 7:

Outcome 8:

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Additional Outcomes

If the project has more than 8 outcomes, please enumerate the remaining outcomes here

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INDICATOR BASED PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT

Using the Project Results Framework as per the approved project document or any amendments, provide an update on the achievement of all **outcome** and **output** indicators in the table below.

- Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation.
- Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (500 characters max per entry)

» Outcome 1: The Women, Peace and Security agenda is advanced through coherent implementation at national and local levels and shaped by women's participation and leadership, including in enhancing the responsiveness of public service-delivery

O C 1	Outcome Indicator s	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Indicator progress for reporting period	Indicator progress since project's start	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
1. 1	# of national and local bodies in which gender equality and women-focused CSOs actively participate in the implementation and localization of the WPS agenda	1 body at the national/state, and 0 at the local level	1 at the national/state level, and 10 at the local level	1 at the national/state level, and 3 at the local level	1 at the national/state level, and 3 at the local level	Participation of CSOs in one national and three local structures indicates early progress toward the set target. Formalization of local coordination mechanisms is expected through upcoming AGE BiH-facilitated workshops and development of local gender or WPS action plans (Novo Goražde, Višegrad, Zavidovići)

1. 2	% of addressed gaps identified during the implementation of the WPS Agenda in the country by the project	0%	80%	Initial progress	Initial progress	The mapping exercise was completed through a baseline assessment and community mapping process, supported by community dialogues. Progress has been made in addressing knowledge gaps on the WPS Agenda within local communities and in strengthening their capacities to their ability to apply it in practice. Work has also started on building capacities of police and healthcare service providers to respond to security and peacebuilding needs and supporting activists to cope with pressure and encouraging collaboration through coalitions to address common challenges.
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1. 3	Increased responsiveness of public service-delivery towards women in selected communities	17%	at least 5% increase	0%	0%	The project's results framework underwent significant revisions, with this specific indicator being modified and communicated to PBSO at a later stage of the project, well beyond the end of Project Year I. As a result, it was not possible to establish the baseline or track progress against it earlier in the implementation period.
1. 4	Improved planning, monitoring, and reporting framework for the implementation of the Action Plan on 1325, including at the local level	No	Yes	Moderate progress	Moderate progress	Preparatory and implementation phases of the new M&E Plan are underway, enhancing coordination and accountability mechanisms across institutions. Full achievement of the indicator is expected upon finalization of the M&E Plan and formal adoption of the 4th Action Plan on UNSCR 1325.

1. 5	% of engaged service providers that report increased skills and confidence to provide inclusive services for conflict affected and marginalized women	0	50%	69.4%	69.4%	
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How many outputs does outcome 1 have?

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Please list all outputs for outcome 1

Output 1.1

Institutions' capacities to adopt and implement quality accountability frameworks, and to implement the Women, Peace and Security commitments are strengthened

Output 1.2

The Women, Peace and Security agenda is localized in Bosnia and Herzegovina, through strengthened leadership of women peacebuilders, human rights advocates and women's organizations, enabling the identification of and response to key human security concerns, threats of violence, tension and division

Output 1.3

Public institutions (health care systems, police, social welfare and justice departments), CSOs and associations have strengthened capacities for increased and inclusive services for conflict-affected and marginalized women

Output 1.4

Output 1.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 1 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against all output indicators

» **Output 1.1: Institutions' capacities to adopt and implement quality accountability frameworks, and to implement the Women, Peace and Security commitments are strengthened**

1. 1	Output Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress since project's start <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1. 1. 1	# of CSOs and government/institution representatives who improved skills for the monitoring of implementation of NAP on 1325	0	20	8	8	Progress reflects growing institutional capacity for monitoring the implementation of UNSCR 1325. Full target achievement is expected once formal capacity-building sessions are delivered under AGE BiH's partnership following the finalization of the new M&E Plan.

1. 1. 2	# of CSOs and government/institution representatives who improved skills for planning, monitoring and reporting on localization of WPS Agenda	0	30	9	9	Initial progress recorded through participation of local government representatives in WPS-related planning and monitoring sessions. Further capacity-building workshops under AGE BiH's partnership activities will expand participation to include CSOs and additional municipal actors to reach the full target in 2026.
1. 1. 3	# of women-led CSOs participating in the WPS Agenda structures and processes	0	20	2	2	Most of the CSO activity was planned to start after the community dialogues, which is why they are only now starting participation and advocacy at the local level. The indicator target is expected to be achieved through the upcoming partner agreements and activities.
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» **Output 1.2: The Women, Peace and Security agenda is localized in Bosnia and Herzegovina, through strengthened leadership of women peacebuilders, human rights advocates and women's organizations, enabling the identification of and response to key human security concerns, threats of violence, tension and division**

1. 2	Output Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress since project's start <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
1. 2. 1	# of stakeholders, disaggregated by type, who participated in the design of localization of WPS Agenda	0	100	69 (17 government institutions, 20 local and subnational/national CSOs, 9 community members/activists, 13 educational institutions, 5 private sector stakeholders, 2 media, 3 sports/cultural associations/clubs)	69 (17 government institutions, 20 local and subnational/national CSOs, 9 community members/activists, 13 educational institutions, 5 private sector stakeholders, 2 media, 3 sports/cultural associations/clubs)	

1. 2. 2	# of women-led and women-focused issue-based formal and non-formal coalitions capacitated for advocating for the implementation and localization of the WPS agenda in BiH within and between local communities	0	15	1	1	Progress has been made to setting the foundation for another coalition to be formed by the women in the flooded areas to push for gender responsive crisis relief and recovery. The coalition building will be increased in the upcoming period also through strategic support and a Public Call for CSO coalition forming on local and entity/state level on WPS, enabling the project to reach the target in 2026.
1. 2. 3	# of women-led and women-focused actions initiated for localization of WPS agenda	0	15	7	7	CSO partners are currently in the process of planning actions aimed at localizing the WPS Agenda in the project's targeted communities.
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» **Output 1.3: Public institutions (health care systems, police, social welfare and justice departments), CSOs and associations have strengthened capacities for increased and inclusive services for conflict-affected and marginalized women**

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1. 3. 1	# of public sector and CSO service provider professionals trained to deliver services to conflict-affected and marginalized women who report improved knowledge	0	300	99	205	
1. 3. 2	# of women-led CSOs that established or improved social enterprises to contribute to their financial sustainability	0	2	0	0	Establishing social enterprise is planned for 2026. In 2025, preparatory activities are underway, including training on financial sustainability, visibility, and branding, delivered to over 20 CSO applicants. These training courses are scheduled for completion by mid-December 2025. Following this, the call for social enterprise proposals will be launched.

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» Outcome 2: Women's voices and roles in sustaining peace and social cohesion are amplified through collaboration, transformative narratives and country-wide dialogues on Women, Peace and Security

O C 2	Outcome Indicator s	Indicator Baseline	End of Project Indicator Target	Indicator progress for reporting period	Indicator progress since project's start	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)
2. 1	# of initiatives launched by WPS-HA Compact signatories to advance the WPS agenda	0	5	4	4	
2. 2	% of women active in community life with increased agency for community engagement on WPS (e.g. confidence, participation or leadership in decision-making) as a result of access to social resources (e.g. information, opportunity, social ties)	0%	75%	N/A	N/A	Initial progress has been supported through CSO networking events and community dialogues, which have enhanced women's access to information, opportunities, and social connections. Impact will be assessed at project end by measuring changes in confidence, participation, and leadership in decision-making through community-led initiatives supported by the project.

2.3	Increase in positive attitudes within targeted communities towards the role of women in peace processes	62%	5%	N/A	N/A	Baseline survey conducted May-July 2025, in 30 BiH municipalities; 323 participants (86% women). It utilized an 8-item scale to assess attitudes toward women's roles in peacebuilding and leadership. The results were reported as an index, calculated based on participants' average scores. Progress under this indicator will be assessed during the external mid-term review (currently underway) and final evaluation at the end of the project.
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Output 2.1

Increased cross-entity and cross-community collaboration and trust-building is fostered through the engagement non-traditional actors in the promotion of a culture of peace and advancing the Women, Peace and Security agenda (culture, sports, music, creative industry, private sector, etc.)

Output 2.2

Women's role in peacebuilding and social cohesion narratives is amplified through targeted investment in media, local and country-wide dialogues on addressing Women, Peace and Security

Output 2.3

Output 2.4

Output 2.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 2 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against all output indicators

» **Output 2.1: Increased cross-entity and cross-community collaboration and trust-building is fostered through the engagement non-traditional actors in the promotion of a culture of peace and advancing the Women, Peace and Security agenda (culture, sports, music, creative industry, private sector, etc.)**

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2. 1. 1	# of public, social, or community events organized to promote a culture of peace and the advancement of the WPS agenda (disaggregated by type)	0	30	22 (2 exhibitions, 1 festival, 5 faith-based dialogues, 2 artistic performances, 7 film screenings and related events, 2 academic events, 3 peacebuilding dialogues)	26	
2. 1. 2	# of joint initiatives between women's CSOs and actors from the field of arts, culture and sports that promote women leadership in peacebuilding and social cohesion	0	5	3	3	

2. 1. 3	# of cross-entity WPS-related initiatives that promote inclusive and lasting peacebuilding efforts in the area of arts, culture, sports and activism	0	5	Some progress	Some progress	Initial progress has been made in establishing cooperation with RS cultural institutions to prepare for the first exchange and networking initiative among cultural institutions and artists across BiH, focused on WPS and art/culture. Additionally, the indicator will be reached in the next reporting period by connecting the History Museum exhibition with local level cultural institutions and CSOs across entities in project targeted communities and beyond.
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» **Output 2.2: Women's role in peacebuilding and social cohesion narratives is amplified through targeted investment in media, local and country-wide dialogues on addressing Women, Peace and Security**

2. 2	Output Indicators <i>Describe the indicator</i>	Indicator Baseline <i>State the baseline value of the indicator</i>	End of Project Indicator Target <i>State the target value of the indicator at the end of the project</i>	Indicator progress for reporting period <i>State the current value of the indicator for the reporting period</i>	Indicator progress since project's start <i>State the current cumulative value of the indicator since the start of the project</i>	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any) <i>Explain why the indicator is off track or has changed, where relevant</i>
2. 2. 1	# of journalists and content creators trained who report improved knowledge on reporting on WPS	0	30	0	23	Progress has been made to identify new partners for a comprehensive programme implementation that would include training, e-module to be integrated into academia, and development of documentaries. Expected to launch by January 2026.
2. 2. 2	# of feature stories in the media, including articles, reports, and products on WPS published	0	45	29	35	
2. 2. 3	# of reach to the social media campaign (disaggregated by gender)	0	1,500,000	918,342	975,634	

2. 2. 4	# of WPS-HA Compact signatories to advance the WPS agenda	0	10	5	5	1 signatory anticipated by the end of 2025, out of the 5 listed. The remaining 5 are expected to sign the Compact in 2026.
2. 2. 5	# of dialogues thematizing WPS agenda organized in cooperation and with the support of government stakeholders	0	30	16	16	

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Output 3.1

Output 3.2

Output 3.3

Output 3.4

Output 3.5

Other Outputs

If Outcome 3 has more than 5 outputs, please enumerate the remaining outputs here

For each output, and using the, project results framework, provide an update on the progress made against all output indicators

» Output 3.1:

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Other Outputs

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PART III: Cross-Cutting Issues

Is the project planning any significant events in the next six months? (eg. national dialogues, youth congresses, film screenings, etc.)
If yes, please state how many, and for each, provide the approximate date of the event and a brief description, including its key objectives, target audience and location (if known)

Events	Event Description	Tentative Date	Location	Target Audience	Event Objectives (900 characters)
Event 1	Set of training courses for Gender-Sensitive Policing	November to December 2025	Project targeted communities across Federation of BiH	Police officers from local communities	The training series will strengthen institutional capacity for gender-sensitive policing by equipping selected local police officers with practical skills through a Training-of-Trainers model. Up to 50 officers will be trained and prepared to deliver step-down sessions within their departments, enabling peer learning and wider institutional adoption of gender-responsive practices. The programme will also support community-police dialogue sessions, fostering trust, improving communication, and ensuring that policing approaches reflect the safety needs and priorities of local women and communities.

Event 2	Series of dialogues with faith-based organizations and conflict-affected women	October to December 2025	Bratunac, Vareš, Banja Luka, Sarajevo, Tuzla, Bijeljina	Faith-based organizations and actors, CSOs, survivors	To foster inclusive and non-discriminatory narratives, by supporting strategic partnerships between conflict-affected and marginalized women and non-traditional stakeholders, including faith-based/ community leaders, through a series of 7 structured dialogue and community engagement events aimed at promoting inter-community trust, social cohesion, and recognition of the needs and rights of marginalized groups, reaching approximately 150 people.
Event 3	Bosnia and Herzegovina Joins the Global Women, Peace and Security – Humanitarian Action (WPS-HA) Compact	December 2025	Sarajevo	Government representatives, UN entities, academia, CSOs, women's networks, youth groups, and peacebuilding actors, cultural and artistic institutions, international partners	The event will formally mark BiH's accession to the global WPS-HA Compact and highlight commitments made by government institutions, academia, civil society, and cultural actors. It will serve as a platform to present national actions under the Compact, reinforce shared accountability, and promote coordinated implementation of the next phase of the WPS Agenda, including through the forthcoming NAP. By convening diverse partners - government, UN, CSOs, youth, and the arts - the event will strengthen national visibility and showcase BiH's emerging regional leadership in advancing gender-responsive peace and security.

Event 4	Set of training courses to enhance CSOs knowledge on WPS agenda and its application in practice	November 2025 to February 2026	Project targeted communities across BiH	Local CSOs representatives (young women)	The training programme will strengthen the knowledge and practical skills of young women from local CSOs to apply the WPS Agenda in their communities. It will empower participants to engage in peacebuilding, lead advocacy efforts, and contribute to local dialogue and decision-making processes. Through a structured curriculum and participatory methodology, the programme will equip young women with tools to identify security priorities, mobilize community action, and collaborate with local institutions. The training design is finalized, and 21 participants have been pre-selected.
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Human Impact

This section is about the human impact of the project. Please state key stakeholders (including but not limited to: Civil Society Organizations, Beneficiaries, etc.) of the project, and for each, please briefly describe:

- i. The challenges/problem they faced prior to the project implementation
- ii. The impact of the project in their lives
- iii. Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from a representative of each stakeholder group

This is an optional question. You may leave it unanswered if not relevant

Human Impact	Type of stakeholder	What has been the impact of the project on their lives?	Provide, where possible, a quote or testimonial from the stakeholder

1	Youth beneficiaries/students	<p>Young people in the Western Balkans and neighboring countries often lack access to practical, context-specific education on Women, Peace and Security (WPS) and peacebuilding. Opportunities to engage with lived experiences of conflict, transitional justice, and gender equality are limited, leaving a gap between academic theory and real-world application. The WPS Summer School in Sarajevo provided participants with an engaging learning experience that combined academic expertise with direct engagement in Bosnia and Herzegovina's post-conflict context. Students gained practical tools, critical perspectives, and exposure to survivor voices, strengthening their capacity to contribute to peacebuilding and gender equality in their own communities. The program also fostered regional networking and solidarity among future practitioners.</p>	<p>"Participating in this program in Bosnia was an experience that extended well beyond conventional education. Bosnia itself speaks through its history, its people, and its bravery. Every session felt tied to the nation's history, and knowledge came to life there, rooted in lived reality. Hearing Adisa share her story of surviving unspeakable violence left a mark I can't put into words. This program gave us not only knowledge but the tools and responsibility to contribute to a more just and peaceful future."</p> <p>- Genta Abdiji, Student, North Macedonia</p>
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2	Local women's CSOs and grassroots groups	<p>Local women's organizations and grassroots groups have long faced barriers to influencing peace and security agendas in their communities. Their perspectives were often absent from formal decision-making structures, they lacked platforms for visibility and coalition-building, and their advocacy efforts remained fragmented across municipalities. Limited access to information, networks, and institutional support further constrained their ability to shape local human security priorities or advance gender equality in meaningful ways.</p> <p>The project has shifted this landscape by opening structured, safe, and visible spaces for women's CSOs to participate in WPS localization and peacebuilding processes. Through community mapping, consultations, and capacity-strengthening activities, women's groups are now actively engaged in identifying local security concerns, formulating recommendations, and contributing to emerging community action plans. Their inputs are informing institutional priorities, shaping advocacy agendas, and strengthening accountability at the local level.</p> <p>These processes have strengthened collective agency: women's organizations that previously worked in isolation are now forming cross-entity coalitions, sharing methodologies, and coordinating advocacy efforts. Initiatives such as the Festival of Women's Activism and Creativity "Planeta ŽeNERA" further expanded regional solidarity, enabling CSOs from across BiH and neighboring countries to build networks, exchange strategies, and amplify the visibility of women's contributions to peacebuilding. As a result,</p>	<p>"This festival holds special significance for women from Herzegovina, as it is the only one of its kind in the region. This year's edition brought together women from the Netherlands, Serbia, Montenegro, and all parts of Bosnia and Herzegovina, creating a strong regional network of solidarity, support, and exchange of experiences. I have never attended a better event dedicated to women's empowerment. I was especially moved by the atmosphere of togetherness, perfectly embodied by the festival's slogan, "Moje smo" ("We are mine"), words that powerfully reflected the spirit of solidarity that drives us, as women, in our daily activism."</p> <p>- Edisa Demić, women's CSO Dignitet representative</p>
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		<p>gender equality is increasingly recognized not as an add-on, but as a central component of community-based security and development planning.</p>	
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3	<p>Women's CSOs from BiH participating in a peer-learning exchange with Ukrainian women peacebuilders</p>	<p>Women's CSOs in BiH continue to face challenges in accessing formal peace processes and ensuring that the experiences of conflict-affected women are reflected in policy and recovery efforts. Before the project, their advocacy was often limited by a lack of structured opportunities to exchange lessons with peers from other post-conflict contexts, particularly on issues of displacement, CRSV, and community reconciliation.</p> <p>The study visit with Ukrainian women's CSOs created a meaningful space for mutual learning grounded in shared lived experience. Through dialogue on peace negotiations, transitional justice, and post-conflict recovery, BiH participants articulated how increased visibility, collective voice, and recognition of women's leadership have strengthened their confidence to advocate for rights and accountability at the local level. Discussions on the vulnerabilities of displaced women and CRSV survivors helped deepen understanding of trauma, stigma, and the long-term psychosocial consequences of conflict, equipping participants with knowledge and approaches they can adapt in their own communities.</p> <p>The exchange also reinforced the importance of women's presence in formal and informal peace processes: BiH participants emphasized how community-level dialogue, storytelling, and survivor-centered engagement have been central to changing attitudes and influencing policy in BiH. The experience strengthened solidarity between BiH and Ukrainian women peacebuilders, building transnational networks of support and hope for sustainable peace and gender</p>	<p>"In BiH, peacebuilding often lacked real dialogue at the community level. What we learned is that honest, face-to-face conversations are what shift perspectives – sharing how we lived together during and after the war, what we survived, and how we continue to cope. This is what I want to tell the women from Ukraine: when the moment comes, speak to the women on the other side. You may discover their stories are not so different from yours – and that's where understanding and real change begin."</p> <p>- Local women's CSO representative</p>
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4	<p>Conflict-affected women and CRSV survivors in the Podrinje/Bratunac region</p>	<p>In Bratunac and the wider Podrinje region – areas still profoundly affected by wartime violence – women from Bosniak and Serb communities long lacked safe, inclusive spaces to speak about shared trauma or the stigma surrounding conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV). Dialogue on peace, reconciliation, or coexistence was largely confined to formal political settings, excluding survivors and leaving their experiences unacknowledged. This absence of community-based engagement reinforced silence, deepened mistrust, and left many women isolated within their own pain.</p> <p>The project's facilitated dialogues created the first meaningful cross-community spaces where survivors could share experiences, confront stigma, and recognize one another's suffering beyond ethnic divides. For many participants, this was the first time they were able to speak openly about CRSV in a setting grounded in safety, dignity, and mutual respect. The encounters helped build empathy across communities, challenged narratives that weaponize survivors' experiences, and affirmed women's leadership in rebuilding trust where institutional processes have struggled to make progress.</p> <p>Women emerged from these dialogues as active agents of peace – using their voices to confront silence, support each other, and reshape community attitudes. These conversations strengthened solidarity between Bosniak and Serb women, encouraged survivors to seek justice and support, and began to restore a sense of dignity long denied to them. In a context where political dialogue is polarized, these women-led efforts</p>	<p>"Everyone who has experienced violence carries the same pain. It is not defined by our names or our ethnicity. What matters is that we stand with one another. Peace work requires dialogue, and by empowering the women of our community, we are challenging the deep, transgenerational wounds left by the war. This is how we finally begin to write a better story for Podrinje — together, Bosniaks and Serbs."</p> <p>- Female survivor from Podrinje</p>
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		demonstrated the transformative power of grassroots reconciliation.	
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In addition to the stakeholder specific impact described above, please use this space to describe any additional human impact that the project has had.

Please limit your response to 4000 characters.

Beyond individual stakeholder stories, the WPS Project has generated broader human impact across local communities, institutions, and cross-entity networks in BiH. Through 15 community dialogues in 17 locations, more than 350 women and community members were able to articulate safety concerns, access information, and engage directly with municipal representatives, police, and health workers. For many, this was the first time they felt heard by institutions, contributing to increased confidence, reduced stigma around reporting violence, and strengthened trust in local structures.

The project also enhanced cross-community connection and empathy. Women from Bosniak and Serb communities shared experiences of trauma and recovery, helping dismantle misperceptions and building a sense of collective resilience. These interactions created new social ties between groups that have historically been divided, reinforcing the belief that dialogue and cooperation are possible even in sensitive post-conflict settings.

Young people also experienced a major shift in access and opportunity. The WPS Summer School and international platforms, such as the Peacebuilding Commission Session and UN Peace Circle, opened new pathways for young women to develop leadership skills, gain global exposure, and contribute to policy debates. These experiences increased their confidence, strengthened their networks, and positioned them as visible actors in peace and security processes.

Women-led coalitions expanded substantially, connecting over 60 CSOs across the country and establishing new cross-entity alliances. These networks have enabled faster mobilization, stronger advocacy, and a clearer collective voice for women peacebuilders – many of whom previously felt isolated in their activism.

Institutional actors, particularly police and health professionals, also benefited. Training and engagement improved their understanding of survivor-centered and gender-responsive approaches, contributing to more respectful interactions with conflict-affected women and greater institutional accountability.

Together, these changes reflect meaningful human-level progress: increased trust, stronger agency, improved institutional responsiveness, and growing cross-community solidarity, all essential foundations for long-term peace and social cohesion in BiH.

Attachments:

File 1: More than 320 women from BiH and diaspora singing together for peace and unity during the WPS supported conference in north-western city of Bosanska Krupa. Video from the same conference (statement of the organizer) available, to be shared separately.

File 2: Photos from Bratunac event with conflict-affected women

File 3: Links to specially dedicated website, social media posts featuring tailored visuals, the communication channels, and key takeaways for The “Women, Peace and Security” Summer School was held in Sarajevo on 22-26 September.

You can also upload upto 3 files in various formats (picture files, powerpoint, pdf, video, etc.) to illustrate the human impact of the project

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File 1

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File 2

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Festival ajvara-82-14_12_7.jpg



File 3

OPTIONAL

WPS Summer School with Links-14_9_55.pdf



You can also add upto 3 links to online resources which illustrate the human impact of the project

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Link 1

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<https://www.unsa.ba/novosti/od-sarajeva-do-new-yorka-nia-abadzic-i-univerzitet-u-sarajevu-na-sjednici-komisije>

Link 2

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https://www.instagram.com/reel/DPT_iNxDTkY/

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<https://www.instagram.com/reel/DGnGa-wPvYv/>

Please tick the applicable change based on above narrative.

How we worked:

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Please select up to 3.

- ☐ Enhanced digitization
- ☐ Innovative ways of working
- ☒ Mobilized additional resources
- ☒ Improved or initiated policy frameworks
- ☒ Strengthened capacities
- ☐ Partnered with with local/grassroots Civil Society Organizations
- ☐ Expanding coalitions & galvanizing political will
- ☐ Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- ☐ Strengthened partnerships with UN Agencies

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The project mobilized additional resources from key partners to expand its peacebuilding reach and visibility. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Denmark provided USD 40,000 in regional funding to support the organization of the WPS International Conference “From Gender Justice to Sustainable Peace: A 25-Year Vision” in June 2025. In addition, the United Kingdom contributed USD 125,000 through the Global Justice Platform under the Preventing Sexual Violence in Conflict Initiative (PSVI), strengthening programme components focused on survivor-centered approaches and international advocacy. Additional funds from the Government of the Czech Republic were mobilized to support economic empowerment component of the programme.

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The project supported improvements to national WPS policy frameworks. The new National Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 (2025–2030), developed under the leadership of the Agency for Gender Equality of BiH and informed by project-generated evidence and consultations, was submitted to the Council of Ministers in 2025 and is currently pending formal adoption.

Please explain one of the selected options

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The project significantly strengthened institutional and community-level capacities across BiH. Nine of fifteen municipal focal points were trained in gender equality, WPS localization, BiH’s gender architecture, and citizen-participation mechanisms, preparing them for ongoing collaboration with AGE BiH and for leading local WPS processes. Over 200 public service providers, including healthcare and social-welfare professionals, police officers, and local institutional staff, completed capacity-building programmes delivered with strong engagement from entity ministries and subnational institutions. In parallel, the project enhanced the skills and leadership of CSOs, young students, cultural institutions, journalists, and non-traditional actors, equipping them to advance WPS localization, deliver inclusive services, and promote gender-responsive narratives through education, community initiatives and cultural programming. This expanding network of trained actors forms a sustainable foundation for continued WPS implementation beyond the project’s duration.

Who are we working with

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- ☐ Strengthened partnerships with IFIs
- ☐ Strengthened partnerships between UN Agencies
- ☒ Partnered with local civil society organizations
- ☒ Partnered with local academia
- ☒ Partnered with sub-national entities
- ☒ Partnered with national entities
- ☐ Partnered with local volunteers

Please explain

Please limit your response to 3000 characters

The project partnered with key civil society actors, including the Centers for Civic Initiatives, RS Women Police Officers Network, International Multi-religious Intercultural Center (IMIC), and Foundation Lara, to facilitate community dialogues, strengthen women's leadership, and promote inclusive participation in local peace and security processes. Through mentoring, capacity-building, and joint advocacy, these organizations are enhancing cooperation between local institutions and communities and supporting a coordinated response to WPS priorities. In addition, seven new CSO partners were selected through a public call to further advance WPS localization and address identified gaps, expanding the project's grassroots reach and strengthening the ecosystem of women-led peacebuilding initiatives across BiH.

The project strengthened academic engagement by partnering with the Sarajevo University's Faculty of Criminal Justice, Criminology and Security Studies, which formally integrated a new Women, Peace and Security (WPS) module into its curriculum in 2025. The Faculty co-organized the WPS Summer School and joined the WPS-HA Compact as an institutional signatory, committing to conducting and supporting research in the WPS area (D.1.6) and knowledge exchange and cooperation with experts within the WPS Framework (D.2.5). Through project-supported field visits, students participated in community dialogues and the International WPS Conference, gaining practical experience in gender-responsive peacebuilding. The project also partnered with the Sarajevo University Gender Resource Center and the TPO Foundation through the UNIGEM network to advance research and teaching on gender, peace, and security. Support was provided to the regional conference "Gender and Peace in the Balkans" and its accompanying publication.

The project partnered with entity and cantonal ministries, municipal administrations, and local institutions across BiH to advance WPS localization and strengthen service delivery. Collaboration with sub-national actors, including the Ministries of Health in both entities, the Federal Ministry of Interior (FMUP), and the Federal Ministry of Labor and Social Policy, enabled implementation of gender-sensitive policing, survivor-centered health services, and community-based WPS initiatives. To complete 15 community dialogues across 17 communities, the project worked closely with local administrations, which appointed WPS and gender-equality focal points. These focal points were trained on gender equality, WPS localization, and citizen participation, and will continue supporting community-level WPS processes through ongoing engagement with the Agency for Gender Equality and their respective institutions. This cooperation has strengthened local ownership, improved institutional responsiveness, and laid the groundwork for sustainable WPS implementation.

Leave No one Behind

Select all beneficiaries targeted with the PBF resources as evidenced by the narrative *

Mandatory

- ☐ Unemployed persons
- ☒ Minorities (e.g. race, ethnicity, linguistic, religion, etc.)
- ☐ Indigenous communities
- ☐ Persons with Disabilities
- ☒ Persons affected by violence (including GBV)
- ☒ Women
- ☒ Youth
- ☐ Children
- ☐ Minorities related to sexual orientation and/or gender identity and expression
- ☐ People living in and around border areas
- ☒ Persons affected by natural disasters
- ☒ Persons affected by armed conflicts
- ☒ Internally displaced persons, refugees or migrants

PART IV: Monitoring, Evaluation and Compliance

» Monitoring

Please list key monitoring activities undertaken in the reporting period

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

During the reporting period, the following monitoring activities were undertaken:

Project Team Meetings and maintaining regular communication and feedback between all project partners

- Regular staff meetings were held during 2025, at least one per month, with participation of all relevant staff of UNW, UNFPA, IOM and RCO.

- Regular WPS coordination meetings were held weekly during 2025, with participation of UNW, UNFPA and IOM coordinators.

- Bi-weekly coordination meetings of all PBF-supported projects, organized by the PBF Secretariat, served as a platform to monitor progress and address cross-cutting issues. These meetings covered topics such as implementation status, communication and visibility efforts, and evaluation findings

Project staff conducted 43 field visits. These visits included monitoring the implementation of project activities, as well as providing technical, organizational, and logistical support. Another monitoring visit was conducted by the PBF Secretariat, related to the WPS Summer School.

In addition, a monitoring tool developed and provided by the PBF Secretariat in March 2025 was used on a quarterly basis. This tool enabled systematic data collection and tracking of key project elements, including the types of interventions implemented, the partner organizations involved, the target communities, and the number and profiles of beneficiaries reached.

A three-day WPS Program Team retreat was held in May 2025 to support preparations for upcoming high-level events, including the WPS Conference. The retreat focused on detailed planning for the 2025 Workplan, identifying additional implementation opportunities, and strategizing effective approaches. Special emphasis was placed on the M&E practices and tools.

Tracking project implementation and progress:

The implementation of activities and progress made is monitored monthly by WPS Project coordinators through internally developed Workplans, Activity Charters, Grants Matrix and Results Monitoring Framework. In addition, post-training satisfaction surveys are administered after capacity-building events to capture participant feedback on the relevance and quality of the sessions, supporting continuous improvement of training activities.

Do outcome indicators have baselines?

If only some of the outcome indicators have baselines, select 'yes'

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please provide a brief description. If not, explain why not and when they will be available.

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The baseline for Outcome Indicator 2.3 was established through a survey conducted between May and July 2025, across 30 municipalities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The survey included 323 participants (86% women) and used an eight-item scale to measure attitudes toward women's roles in peacebuilding and leadership. Results were reported as an index, calculated from participants' average scores. The baseline for Outcome Indicator 1.3 was established through a survey conducted between August- November 2025. The survey included 128 responses and focused on responsiveness of service providers towards needs of women.

Elaborate on what sources of evidence have been used to report on indicators (and are available upon request)

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The current progress on indicators is reported based on multiple sources of evidence, including internal project documents such as activity notes, registries, plans, and memos; internal progress and monitoring reports; partners' reports; minutes from coordination and consultation meetings; field visit observations and notes; registries of event participants; and a repository of media posts related to project activities. These sources collectively provide qualitative and quantitative data to support accurate reporting and are available upon request for verification and review.

Has the project launched outcome level data collection initiatives? e.g. perception surveys

Perception survey is a formal collection of information from a randomly selected sample of respondents through their responses to standardized questions. See PBF Guidance Note for more information [link](#)

☒ Yes

☐ No

Please provide a brief description

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

Outcome-level data collection for indicators that incorporate perception as a key measurement dimension has been initiated through the project's internal monitoring processes to track progress toward intended results. These efforts will be complemented by additional data collection during the external Mid-Term Review and final evaluation, providing further insights into outcome achievement and stakeholder perspectives.

Has the project used or established community feedback mechanisms?

Community feedback mechanism, or community-based monitoring, is an organized system for communities of participants to monitor the local effects and impact of an intervention. Ideally, this system empowers the community to express whether their expectations are being met and to provide suggestions to decision-makers for possible (re)focusing. See PBF Guidance Note for more information. [link](#)

☒ Yes

☐ No

Please provide a brief description

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The following feedback mechanisms, already established as internal practices for ongoing projects, are planned to be used during the planning and implementation of community interventions and initiatives within this project: - Community consultations: Community dialogues gather input and feedback on local priorities related to WPS agenda issues. This interactive, participatory communication process involves sharing information between different interest groups to reach a common understanding and workable solutions. It enables community engagement and participation in planning and implementing community-based initiatives. - Direct engagement: Engaging with community members through on-site visits and with CSOs through networking events which provide a platform for expressing feedback and priorities of the women's sector. - Establishing community focal points: Setting up focal points in project targeted communities for ongoing feedback. - Surveys and interviews: Utilizing tools such as post-training satisfaction survey and interviews as part of internal monitoring practices. - Social media platforms: Using social media to collect feedback and engage with the community (e.g., social media outreach and monitoring).

» Evaluation

Is the project on track to conduct its evaluation? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not Applicable

Evaluation budget (in USD) included in the project budget: *

Response required

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If project will end in next six months, is your upcoming evaluation on track?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☒ Not Applicable

Please describe the preparations

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

Contact information	Name	Organization	Job title	Email
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» Catalytic Effect

Catalytic Effect (financial): Has the project mobilized additional non-PBF financial resources since the project's start? *

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

How many funders has the project received additional non-PBF funding from **since the project started**? *

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<p>If yes, please indicate name of all funding agencies and respective amounts of additional non-PBF funding support that has been leveraged by the project since it started, as well as specifically during this reporting period</p> <p><i>Please enter each funding agent and their contributions separately</i></p> <p>.....</p>	*
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Please enter each funding agent and their contributions separately

Name of Funder *

Government of the Republic of Slovenia

Amount mobilized since project's start (USD) *

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Amount mobilized during reporting period (USD) *

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Catalytic Effect (non-financial): Has the project enabled or created a larger or longer-term peacebuilding change to occur, in addition to the direct project changes? Please refer to PBF Catalytic Effect Guidelines for more information. *

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please select the relevant option below: *

☐ Some catalytic effect

☒ Significant catalytic effect

If relevant, please describe how the project has had a (non-financial) catalytic effect, i.e. removed barriers to unblock stalled political, institutional or other peacebuilding processes at different levels in a country, and/or created the conditions to establish new processes to do so

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

1. Institutional and Policy Shifts

- **Continued inter-entity collaboration:** Even in a politically polarized context, joint training, consultations, and dialogue between state, FBiH and RS institutions has continued, reducing any perception that WPS work is politically sensitive.
- **Emergence of “champions” inside institutions:** Gender focal points and trained officers in ministries and police structures are becoming advocates for WPS integration, influencing peers and internal procedures without formal mandates.
- **Shift toward evidence-based policymaking:** Through the new M&E framework and gender analysis, institutions are increasingly relying on data and participatory evidence for planning, moving from ad hoc to systematic WPS integration.

2. Behavioral and social change

- **Reduced stigma around CRSV:** Dialogues involving faith actors and survivors (e.g., in Tuzla and Bratunac) have begun to normalize public discussion of taboo issues, altering social behavior and discourse in conservative spaces.
- **Intergenerational mentoring:** The Women’s Peace Camp and follow-up mentoring schemes are fostering intergenerational learning within the CSO community, ensuring knowledge transfer and continuity beyond the project’s lifespan.
- **Reframing of women’s roles in collective memory:** Cultural outputs (the Our Woman exhibition, podcasts, and SFF panels) are rewriting post-war and contemporary narratives to include women as agents of recovery, subtly reshaping public memory.
- **Academic mainstreaming of WPS:** The University of Sarajevo’s adoption of the WPS course embeds peace and gender concepts into the education of future policymakers and security officials, shaping professional mindsets for decades.
- **Shifting masculine norms in policing and defense:** The creation of gender-sensitive policing curricula and the MoD’s reassessment of infrastructure priorities mark early cognitive shifts within male-dominated institutions.

3. Process and Systemic Innovation

- **Replication mechanisms:** ToT models in health and police sectors create endogenous learning cycles: institutions now train themselves, reducing dependency on external actors.
- **New participatory planning culture:** Community dialogues and local focal points have institutionalized consultative processes at municipal level: municipalities are beginning to expect co-creation rather than top-down directives.
- **Emergent “peace economy” of collaboration:** The project has seeded a network of festivals, awards, and exhibitions that now attract new sponsors and cross-border participation, multiplying impact and attracting catalytic financial effect on top of PBF funds.

Sustainability

Please describe any steps that have been taken to ensure the sustainability of peacebuilding gains, including any mechanisms, platforms, networks and socio-economic initiatives supported, beyond the duration of the project

Please limit your response to 3000 characters.

The project has embedded several mechanisms to ensure that WPS gains continue beyond its duration. At the national level, sustained cooperation with the Agency for Gender Equality of BiH (AGE BiH) strengthens long-term coordination and monitoring of WPS implementation, including through the new NAP 1325 (2025-2030). AGE BiH has also begun direct cooperation with local WPS focal points, ensuring continuity of localization efforts after the project ends.

Cross-entity partnerships in the health, policing, and social protection sectors support institutionalization of survivor-centered services and gender-sensitive policing. Training-of-Trainers models in the health and police sectors ensure ongoing internal replication of knowledge, embedding gender-responsive practices within institutions.

Local sustainability is reinforced through 15 community dialogues and the establishment of trained municipal focal points who will continue working with AGE BiH and local administrations.

Academic sustainability is ensured through collaboration with the University of Sarajevo, including the integration of the WPS module into curricula.

Support to the History Museum of BiH strengthened its role as a long-term cultural and knowledge hub. The digital WPS exhibition and archive will remain publicly accessible, preserving women's peacebuilding narratives beyond the project.

Together, these measures create durable institutional, academic, and community structures that will sustain WPS commitments and peacebuilding gains across BiH.

Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations?

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Project implementation remains on track in terms of strategic direction, but several systemic constraints have affected the pace of delivery. The key partnership with the Agency for Gender Equality of BiH (AGE BiH) continues to be strong and constructive; however, implementation has been slowed by public-sector procurement procedures, multi-level approval chains, and low financial absorption across government institutions. By the end of Q3, only 23.89% of the first tranche had been utilized, reflecting delays in contracting, research initiation, and activities requiring inter-institutional coordination.

AGE BiH has proactively addressed some of these challenges by holding consultations with the Ministry of Security, Ministry of Defense, and State Border Police to resolve procurement bottlenecks and adjust priorities. The Agency is also exploring a revised approach to the Draft 4th Action Plan on UNSCR 1325 – proposing an "Action Plan for the Level of Institutions of BiH" – to maintain continuity in WPS implementation despite the absence of entity-level approval. This proposal is under review by the Coordination Board.

Additional gaps relate to AGE BiH's reporting consistency, documentation of coordination meetings, and alignment between activity-level results and indicators. These are being addressed through closer coordination with the WPS Project, strengthened planning templates, and clearer communication on research and analysis activities.

To mitigate implementation delays, the project has increased technical assistance, introduced more frequent joint planning meetings, and encouraged the partner to revise timelines and targets to reflect institutional capacity and administrative realities. Despite operational constraints, the partner remains committed to advancing WPS implementation, and the project continues to provide strategic support to accelerate delivery in the next period.

Monitoring and Oversight Activities

Please describe any key event related to monitoring and oversight. Please click next if no activities have yet taken place.

Events include Steering Committee meetings, Monitoring visits, Third party monitoring, Community based monitoring, any data collection, Perception or other survey findings, evaluation reports, audit or investigations.

Monitoring and oversight activities	Name of the Event	Summary	Key Findings
Event 1	2nd Steering Committee meeting	<p>The Project Steering Committee (PSC), co-chaired by the UN Resident Coordinator and the Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), convened once during the reporting period, on 29 January 2025 (2nd meeting since the Project started). The PSC includes representatives from relevant state level ministries (Ministry of Human Rights and refugees BiH, Ministry of Defense BiH, Ministry of Security BiH and Ministry of Civil Affairs BiH), entity-level ministries (Ministry of Family, Youth, and Sports of Republika Srpska (RS), Ministry of Health of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (FBiH) and Ministry of European Integration and International Cooperation of RS, civil society organization (CSO) representative (Foundation "Lara" Bijeljina representing women BiH wide CSO's peace network "Peace with Women's face") and UN Women, UNFPA and IOM representatives.</p>	<p>The PSC reviewed the project's strong implementation progress, including 77% utilization of first-tranche funds and expanded partnerships with institutions, CSOs, and non-traditional actors. Despite delays linked to floods, local elections, and coordination challenges, the PSC approved adjustments to the results framework and budget. A no-cost extension until March 2027 was also discussed. The 2025 work plan was endorsed, with a focus on: localization, strengthening service provision, and cross-sectoral and inter-entity engagement. Additionally, the PSC agreed to postpone the mid-term evaluation to November 2025, enhance documentation practices and increase institutional visibility. The next PSC meeting is scheduled for December 2025.</p>

<p>Event 2</p>	<p>2nd WPS Program Team Retreat</p>	<p>The second WPS Program Team Retreat was held from 6 to 8 May 2025 and fully attended by all team members. Over the course of three days, the retreat facilitated strategic discussions, collaborative planning, and reflection on program progress. Several key sessions led to important conclusions and directions for the program's continued development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The retreat opened with a review of progress since the previous retreat, and the team reaffirmed achievements to date and identified opportunities for deeper collaboration and improved internal communication. - The M&E session provided a platform to review the evaluability assessment findings and consolidate team feedback, in collaboration with the external evaluator leading the evaluability, midterm, and endline assessments. 	<p>Key conclusions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The need for more consistent and harmonized M&E approaches across projects - Agreement on refining indicators and enhancing internal knowledge-sharing on M&E practices - A plan to share baseline data collection tools and methodologies with the M&E consultant to ensure robust midterm and endline evaluations. <p>The planning session for the 2025 implementation of the "Women Lead the Way Towards Peace and Security in BiH" program resulted in a clearly defined set of priorities and a plan of action. Discussions on the program's future beyond 2026 revealed a shared commitment to long-term sustainability and innovation. The team began shaping vision and thematic priorities for potential future phases. A dedicated session focused on the WPS International Conference. The team aligned on the overarching message and structure, emphasizing its purpose, to reflect on 25 years of work in gender justice and to chart a path toward sustainable peace.</p>
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Event 3	Evaluation Inception and Evaluability Assessment	<p>Between late December 2024 and February 2025, the inception and evaluability assessment phase for the “Women Lead the Way Towards Peace and Security in Bosnia and Herzegovina” project was conducted. Activities included six key informant interviews, three focus group discussions, a field visit, and an inception workshop. The process aimed to assess the monitoring and evaluation (M&E) capacities of participating UN agencies, review output and outcome-level tracking systems, and define the scope and methodology for upcoming evaluations. Engagements with UN agencies, government representatives, and donors helped align project objectives with evaluation methods and ensure broad stakeholder input.</p>	<p>Key findings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bosnia and Herzegovina continues to face significant challenges, including ethnic divisions, political instability, and gaps between policy and implementation of the Women, Peace, and Security agenda. - The project is ambitious and well-aligned with national and international frameworks. - M&E systems across agencies require further standardization, capacity-building, and integration to effectively track long-term, transformative change. <p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop unified M&E framework - Strengthen inter-agency coordination and regular data-sharing - Build local partner capacity for monitoring and evaluation - Ensure sustainability through adaptive management and institutional buy-in - Focus on demonstrating clear contributions to lasting peace, gender equality, and systemic change.
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<p>Event 4</p>	<p>Field-based observation of community dialogues</p>	<p>Between May and July 2025, in partnership with the Center for Civic Initiatives (CCI), 15 community dialogues were organized across BiH, in Zavidovići, Mostar, Ljubuški, Stolac, Gacko, Trebinje, Cazin, Velika Kladuša, Bihać, Prijedor, Srebrenica, Rogatica, Kotor Varoš, Foča, and Višegrad, with additional participants from Nevesinje and Novo Goražde.</p> <p>The dialogues brought together representatives of institutions, CSOs, local leaders, women, youth, and other stakeholders. Discussions focused on identifying community needs and priorities, sharing experiences on localizing the WPS Agenda, assessing security challenges, and developing shared visions for peace and security. Special attention was given to the inclusion of marginalized groups and ensuring diverse voices were heard. Organized in cooperation with municipalities and hosted by local institutions, the dialogues followed the IOM's Community-Based Planning principles and employed interactive methods to foster inclusive and constructive engagement. This collaboration provided institutional legitimacy and demonstrated local authorities' willingness to engage on WPS-related issues.</p>	<p>Community dialogues under the WPS project in BiH revealed persistent structural and socio-cultural barriers to localizing UNSCR 1325. The dialogues revealed that participation in public and political life remains shaped by local contexts, prevailing social norms, and entrenched gender stereotypes. A significant barrier is the retraditionalization of gender roles, which positions women primarily as caregivers, thereby undermining their legitimate role in decision-making and community processes.</p> <p>Communities demonstrated limited willingness to engage in honest discussions on reconciliation and dealing with the past. Conversations about conflict-related legacies were cautious, often avoiding deeper analysis, and recognition of women's roles in peacebuilding was met with reluctance. Despite these challenges, isolated points of resistance emerged through local women activists, civil society leaders, and some institutional representatives who advocated for inclusive dialogue. However, these efforts lacked broader societal support, underscoring the need for long-term, field-based strategies. Strengthening these actors, connecting them to systemic mechanisms, and integrating gender equality into local governance structures are critical for sustainable progress. Overall, while there is</p>
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<p>Event 5</p>	<p>Ongoing internal monitoring and data collection</p>	<p>The internal monitoring system includes regular reporting from implementing partners and grantees, event and participant registries, and a media repository that documents public communications related to the project. A post-training evaluation survey is administered after capacity-building events to gather participants' feedback on the relevance, usefulness, and applicability of the knowledge and skills gained, providing insights into the effectiveness of capacity-building efforts.</p>	<p>During the reporting period, the project supported over 70 activities – including capacity-building sessions, networking events, meetings, conferences, community dialogues, and cultural events – engaging more than 1,300 participants, 90% of whom were women.</p> <p>More than 90 pieces of media content were created or published to share information about project activities and initiatives, with a total reach of 918,342 in the reporting period.</p> <p>Among the 134 respondents to the post-training evaluation survey, over 80% rated the events as highly relevant to their work and reported an improved understanding of the concepts and topics discussed.</p>

<p>Event 6</p>	<p>PBF Secretariat's monitoring visits</p>	<p>The project maintains regular communication with the PBF Secretariat in BiH and ensures full transparency on implementation progress. The Secretariat is routinely informed of key activities, results, and upcoming field engagements, and is invited to participate in project events and monitoring visits. To date, one monitoring visit has taken place, during the WPS Summer School, where the Secretariat observed delivery, engaged directly with participants, and reviewed programme coherence with PBF priorities. Additional joint field visits are planned for the next reporting period to strengthen shared oversight and learning.</p>	<p>The PBF Secretariat's field visit report implies that the WPS Summer School was successfully implemented as planned, meeting all targets for participation, gender balance, and content delivery. Sessions were highly relevant to the WPS and YPS agendas, covering UNSCR 1325, gender equality, peacebuilding, transitional justice, and youth inclusion, with strong regional and global perspectives.</p> <p>Participants (74% women) reported significant gains in knowledge, advocacy tools, and cross-border networking. Feedback highlighted high satisfaction with the methodology and facilitation, though some found certain topics repetitive and recommended more practical simulations and case studies. The application process was seen as too easily gamed, suggesting the need for a more robust screening approach.</p> <p>Logistical issues (mainly visa-related) were noted but effectively managed. The initiative fostered trust-building and dialogue across the Western Balkans and beyond, creating a safe, inclusive space for learning and exchange.</p> <p>Institutionalization and sustainability remain key priorities: the establishment of an alumni network is planned, and discussions are underway to formalize the Summer School within the University of Sarajevo's curriculum.</p>
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Event 7			
Event 8			

Final Steps

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