

# PBF PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

# COUNTRY: Bosnia and Herzegovina TYPE OF REPORT: SEMI-ANNUAL, ANNUAL OR FINAL Annual DATE OF REPORT: 15 November 2018

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: commencement date will be the date of first funds transfer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Maximum project duration for IRF projects is 18 months, for PRF projects – 36 months.

#### NOTES FOR COMPLETING THE REPORT:

- Avoid acronyms and UN jargon, use general / common language.
- Be as concrete as possible. Avoid theoretical, vague or conceptual discourse.
- Ensure the analysis and project progress assessment is gender and age sensitive.

#### PART 1: RESULTS PROGRESS

#### 1.1 Overall project progress to date

Briefly explain the **status of the project** in terms of its implementation cycle, including whether all preliminary/preparatory activities have been completed (1500 character limit):

In the first nine months of joint implementation the DFF project successfully established cooperation with all 28 mayors of municipalities bordering external and/or internal entity boundaries with the population of cca. 1.5 mil people, i.e. almost half of the population of the country. The Project Board decided to increase the number of municipalities from 6-9 to 28, which presented a number of challenges in the implementation plan. All preparatory actions re.methodological approach in capacity development of stakeholders to participate in Local Dialogue Platforms are close to completion. In BiH 2018 yielded a particularly complex and contentious general election year; thus significant challenges were encountered around project timelines in this regard. The project team planned for, and exectuted, mitigation actions including shifting focus on grassroot stakeholders and their involvement in the peace-building processes and leaving the vertical integration of the field results for a later stage of the implementation. Simultaneously, the project secured the sub-regional leadership for the MC proposal aiming to expand the peacebuilding 'dialogue' in the sub-region and positioning BiH as a 'leader by example' in the region. Following an open call for Small Grants Facility proposals, a joint technical evaluation was officially approved by the National Counterparts. The SGF will assist 28,171 direct beneficiaries through inter-ethnic, cross-entity and cross-border interventions.

Given the recent/current political/peacebuilding/ transition situation/ needs in the country, has the project been/ does it continue to be relevant and well placed to address potential conflict factors/ sources of tensions/ risks to country's sustaining peace progress? Please illustrate. If project is still ongoing, are any adjustments required? (1500 character limit) The project gained ground in this reporting period as a point of reference for the novel approach in an extremely complex and sensitive context, with a two-tiered approach. While the exigencies of the general elections did not allow the national government counterpart, the BiH Presidency, to schedule a BiH-level dialogue platform yet, this ensured that the peacebuilding project would not be politicized by any stakeholders during a particularly volatile period in the country. Nevertheless, the Presidency approved the DFF workplan and enabled local governments to act responsibly, take ownership, and pursue sustainabile approaches. They also approved the Multi-Country project aiming at scaling up the DFF initiative in the region. Finally, they actively engaged in providing important feedback on the Small Grant Facility. This enabled the project staff to kick-off important process-based activities that allow for considered stakeholder analyses and local assessments; quality trainings in peacebuilding skills for target groups; and the buy-in of municipal coordinators around the notion/approach/value of setting up conducive spaces for local dialogue platforms -- to foster constructive interaction and peacebuilding among youth as leaders and other socially vulnerable groups; as well as to strengthen social cohesion through collaborative approaches around identifying joint priorities, needs and challenges as well as solutions.

In a few sentences, summarize **what is unique**/ **innovative**/ **interesting** about what this project is trying/ has tried to achieve or its approach (rather than listing activity progress) (1500 character limit).

The project has been institutionalising the mechanism of 'local dialogue platforms' (LDPs). These will enable new spaces for dialogue to address common challenges within local communities, including youth - as key agents of change - as well as women's groups, religious leaders, local media and municipal administrations. Sustainability is being promoted through LDP methodology, to be adopted by municipal councils and tailored to local needs. Another innovative approach is the roll-out of the U-Report, an online polling platform that allows registered U-Reporters (adolescents and youth throughout the country with the focus on having equal numbers of males/females) to give their views about issues concerning their lives, through real-time responses to selected questions. The vertical integration of these 'voices' will be supported through organising high-profile BiH-level dialogue platforms, focusing on stronger and more structured approach to dialogue with the BiH Presidency. This means, sectoral issues of divides, such as education, lack of opportunities for mobility, lack of youth strategies, lack of social protection for the most vulnerable and other will be presented through 'integrated report' of the local multi-stakeholder group with youth leading the process. The process will be supported by the DFF Communications and Advocacy Strategy focusing on social divides and individual's engagement in promoting common values.

Considering the project's implementation cycle, please rate this project's overall progress towards results to date:

on track

In a few sentences summarize major project peacebuilding progress/results (with evidence), which PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit): Mayors in all 28 municipalities signed the commitment to local dialogue, promoting peace and social cohesion. They also welcomed the inclusion of adolescents, a transformative age group, in trainings on peacebuilding competencies. They appointed DFF coordinators in each municipality and this team of coordinators is becoming a cohesive group that already acted on assignments for coordinating schools for promoting joint cultural heritage and mobility of schools across entity boundaries; they acted as focal points for CSO partners conducting local assessments of the key obstacles in peacebuilding in their local communities. The project's criteria of inter-ethnic and inter-entity cooperation as the prime parameter for receiving grants was assessed positively by the coordinators and BiH Presidency Advisers approved the list of 25 projects fully based on technical evaluation criteria. Meanwhile, U-Report was 'soft launched' in October 2018, and already attracted over 300 youth. Another milestone was that the mayors of Sarajevo and East Sarajevo signed the commitment to revitalise the Olympic Museum, considered by many as a cornerstone of cooperation in sports among the divided parts of Sarajevo.

In a few sentences, explain how the project has made **real human impact**, that is, how did it affect the lives of any people in the country – where possible, use direct quotes that PBSO can use in public communications to highlight the project (1500 character limit):

The real human impact will be documented at a later stage, but since the start there are several positive (or relevance) perceptions about DFF 2, as evidenced by feedback from target groups around the country: Quote (1) from 31 October 2018, by municipal coordinator, city of Trebinje, Republika Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina officially appointed by the mayor : This project is our future, if we do not engage in local

dialogue platforms and if we do not propose changes and if we do not commit to placing our voices, we can all pack our bags and leave (Bosnia) forever. Quote (2) from the field during local assessments (Sokolac, Republika Srpska): 'Are we allowed to discuss these issues in our local communities? we don't need 'social cohesion', we need transparency, we need justice, we need opportunities in our community, this is what our problem is...so (upon explaining the concept of social cohesion in plain words 'Oh, but this project is exactly what we need!'. Quote (3) Sejo Sexon, local (famous) musician from local newspapers: What would have happened if everybody had an opportunity to leave the country? Would anybody stay here? (...) Politicians everywhere (across entity lines in BiH) speak about the (entity) GDP growth and the statistics indicators that prove their policies are a success, but ultimately the only thing that describes their success is whether people are leaving their country or not.

If the project progress assessment is **on-track**, please explain what the key **challenges** (if any) have been and which measures were taken to address them (1500 character limit).

If the assessment is **off-track**, please list main reasons/ **challenges** and explain what impact this has had/will have on project duration or strategy and what **measures** have been taken/ will be taken to address the challenges/ rectify project progress (1500 character limit): The project is not off-track, it is somewhat delayed. As described in the status section, a couple of factors contributed to the delay. The DFF team was prepared to work on the design of implementation considering the delay and considering mitigation tools as means to properly allocate time for upcoming activities on structured dialogue and SGF implementation. The roll-out of grassroot peacebuilding and social cohesion projects designed by local stakeholders will commence early next year, as approved with some delay by national stakeholders, who were busy in the intesive elections period. The challenges in delay were addressed, by patient step by step approach, not compromising on the design of the peacebuilding process affecting local multistakeholder communities. The UN team will put effort in the new government Presidency to bring positive notion to upcoming quality input to the country-wide national Dialogue platforms, the forums where local government stakeholders and multistakeholder participation will inform the Presidency about their common vision of the local communities that aim at improved social cohesion and take joint steps in peacebuilding to overcome ethic and entity divides.

Please attach as a separate document(s) any materials highlighting or providing more evidence for project progress (for example: publications, photos, videos, monitoring reports, evaluation reports etc.). List below what has been attached to the report, including purpose and audience. o Manual on peacebuilding skills for adolescents (local language available only);

o Manual on gender equality in peacebuilding processes for women and associations of women (local language available only)

o Stakeholder analysis and local assessment report for 28 municipalities/local communities (local language available only)

o Photos from joint meetings with the cohort of municipal coordinators in charge of the local dialogue platforms

- o Photos from joint meetings with mayors
- o Guidelines for the Public Call for Project Proposals related to Small Grant Facility
- o List of media outlets, TV, radio and newspapers referencing the Public Call

## 1.2 Result progress by project outcome

The space in the template allows for up to four project outcomes. If your project has more approved outcomes, contact PBSO for template modification.

**Outcome 1:** Increased interaction and collaboration between different groups at the local level (within and between municipalities).

#### Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

**Progress summary:** Describe main progress under this Outcome made during the reporting period (for June reports: January-June; for November reports: January-November; for final reports: full project duration), including major output progress (not all 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. Where possible, provide specific examples of change the project has supported/ contributed to as well as, where available and relevant, quotes from partners or beneficiaries about the project and their experience. (3000 character limit)?

Progress towards increased interaction and collaboration between different groups at the local level (within and between municipalities) was achieved through a number of implemented activities. All three UN agencies agreed at the outset to implement jointly as many of the activities as possible, including joint capacity development for establishment of local dialogue platforms and the joint work in peacebuilding skills development for diverse social groups in all local communities (28 municipalities in 9 clusters). Very positive feedback was received from all municipalities. "This dialogue and the inclusion of adolescents in learning about peacebuilding competencies should be the priority for our country; without more efforts of this nature we will end up with a generation of total strangers", said a municipal official, reflecting the views of many officials. All 28 mayors signed the Letter of Cooperation outlining four key commitments:

o Appointment of coordinators responsible for coordinating activities during the project, including participation in relevant meetings and progress monitoring; o Adoption by the Municipal Council of the methodology and TORs for the dialogue platforms (LDPs).

o Ensuring the sustainability of LDPs through financial and in-kind support; o Promoting and supporting local initiatives that contribute to improving community dialogue and better social cohesion.

o Joint capacity development for the establishment of LDPs started with the stakeholder mapping and local assessments in communities. The reports are finalised and fine-tuning for improved participation by all identified stakeholder groups is in progress. The skills development in peacebuilding competencies, including critical thinking, empathy, self-confidence, leadership and consensus building, gender equality for selected target groups is in progress.

o Public Call for Grants in peacebuilding and social cohesion was finalised. 56 media outlets, 5 Open door sessions, UN website ensured transparency and publicity. Applicants also had access to online tutorial that was published on the project's Facebook page. 125 project proposals by NGOs and 20 project proposals by individuals were jointly technically assessed by the UN agencies. Presidency engaged and approved the technical evaluation process without political influencing. o The contract for the revitalisation of the Olympic museum between the museum and the City of Sarajevo was signed. This initiative was identified through work on establishment of regional Olympic academy within the broader cooperation on European Youth Olympic Festival 2019, City of Sarajevo and East Sarajevo. o The Communication & Advocacy Strategy including detailed information about the proposed influencers, social media approach and tailor-made online platform for tackling ethnic divides has been prepared. These Strategy will be presented to the new Program Board, once political nominations become official.

**<u>Outcome 2</u>**: Increased interaction and dialogue between different groups at the national level.

#### Rate the current status of the outcome progress: off track

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

The U-report was launched in October 2018 and currently accounts for 300 members. It is expected the number will sharply increase, once project activities in schools gain speed in implementation.

o The project's contribution to localising SDG 16 and SDG 4 process involved DFF partner's participation in the SDG MAPS process, with the facilitation of the 'Peace and Partnerships' and 'People' working groups.

o The first meeting with the coordinators representing 10 Cantonal Ministries of Education, District Brcko Education Department, Federal Ministry of Education and Science, Republika Srpska Ministry of Education and Culture and BiH Ministry of Civil Affairs in the UNESCO Associated Schools Network in BiH with the aim to revitalise the network. Currently 50 schools are the member of the network and more are expected to join. This network links educational institutions across the world around a common goal: to build the defences of peace in the minds of children and young people and is a driver for innovation and quality in education - as recognized tool for reaching target 4.7.

o The European Youth Parliament and the No border orchestra, whose activities focused on mobility of youth in the region and mixing the ethnicities across WB countries were supported in their annual gathering through DFF;

o New indicators for Culture under 2030 Agenda are being developed, emphasizing that culture has a major impact on development and intercultural understanding;

o Through cooperation with the Faculty of Political studies and the cohort of young diplomats ready to partake in DFF local dialogue platforms, the important segment of involvement with young decision makers and influencers will add value to LDPs.

o Schools from 28 municipalities participate in the competition titled 'Our Heritage' contest where UN agencies team up with the 28 mayors and municipal coordinators to encourage schools and youth groups in competing for the most successful presentation of their local heritage.

o The internationally approved standard of quality in education (PISA) w/shop allowed to align BiH with advanced countries.

o The revised approach to introducing comprehensive Ethics Code in Schools (elementary and high schools) started with informing ministries and other referenced institutions in education sector.

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Multi-country DFF initiative: UN teams from BiH, Croatia, Serbia and Montenegro, with the guidance from PBSO and 'Peace Nexus' completed the project proposal which at the time of reporting has been approved and signed by BiH Presidency and other three countries are making effort to do the same in the next month.

Outcome 3: Not applicable

# Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

# Outcome 4: Not applicable

## Rate the current status of the outcome progress: Please select one

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

## 1.3 Cross-cutting issues

National ownership: How has the	The Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina, as the highest-
national government demonstrated	level national counterpart, was at the forefront of the
ownership/ commitment to the project	design of DFF 2 and committed to lead Dialogue Platforms
results and activities? Give specific	while also committing to joint resource mobilisation for the
examples. (1500 character limit)	DFF 2 initiative. To enhance ownership at the local level,
	the project's approach includes municipalities as key
	conveners in backstopping the local dialogue platforms.
	This approach was welcomed by BiH Presidency and
	effectively transferred responsibilities for the success of
	peacebuilding process to local communities. These will
	eventually identify common priorities, needs and
	challenges across local communities and the Presidency
	will take part in the vertical integration and upscaling of
	the identified common issues for overcoming divides in
	BiH society. The Letters of Cooperation were signed by all
	28 municipalities allowing for the institutionalisation of the
	peacebuilding process. This demonstrates a high level of
	commitment by the local governments. A second aspect of
	ownership is linked to activities that the project undertook
	in localising targets under SDG 16 and future linkages with
	the municipal and cantonal strategic plans.
<b>Monitoring:</b> Is the project M&E plan on	The M&E Plan is on track while some targets have been
track? What monitoring methods and	adjusted. Regular monitoring is ensured, through detailed
sources of evidence are being/ have been	annual workplan, regular technical meetings of the three
used? Please attach any monitoring-	
	participating agencies, on-needs basis meetings with the
related reports for the reporting period.	senior management of the three participating agencies and
(1500 character limit)?	the Joint Project Coordinator's role in monitoring of the
	project implementation. The Baseline perceptions survey
	started with quantative and qualitative research at the time

<b>Evaluation:</b> Provide an update on the preparations for the external evaluation for the project, especially if within last 6 months of implementation or final report. Confirm available budget for evaluation. <i>(1500 character limit)</i>	of the reporting, after encountering delays in contracting the research company. The quantative research will work on a sample of 1,100 randomly selected interviewees across the 9 locations and will cross-reference the results with the 3 control municipalities outside the scope of the project. The project will engage in (external) evaluation at the end of the implementation of the project. For this activity, a dedicated budget line is set aside under the coordination budget.
Catalytic effects (financial): Did the project lead to any specific non-PBF funding commitments? If yes, from whom and how much? If not, have any specific attempts been made to attract additional financial contributions to the project and beyond? (1500 character limit)	The project secured local co-funding for the running costs of the local dialogue platforms however no substantial donor contributions were yet negotiated. BiH national counterparts are exploring innovative approaches to donors to effectively build on the momentum of the country-wide dialogue/peace platforms as effective tools for sustaining peace in the country and the region. Other bilateral donors will be approached once dialogue platforms become fully operational and the national/local commitment succeeds in being publicly acknowledged. The evidence of strong commitment to the process and the peacebuilding dialogue exists, the local counterparts are highly aware of the pressing need for the rhetoric and systems of division to change, and the project will build on these pillars to proceed with resource mobilisation.
Catalytic effects (non-financial): Did the project create favourable conditions for additional peacebuilding activities by Government/ other donors? If yes, please specify. (1500 character limit)	Catalytic non-financial effects are expected at a later stage, building on the premise that we believe that once youth and other groups get involved and provide their inputs, many trickle-down initiatives will follow. Similarly, with the engagement of media, for example in promoting positive storytelling and offsetting negative rhetoric.
<b>Exit strategy/ sustainability:</b> What steps have been taken to prepare for end of project and help ensure sustainability of the project results beyond PBF support for this project? (1500 character limit)	Institutionalising the local dialogue platforms at the municipal level, municipal commitment to support and co- finance projects from the grant facility are the two steps so far towards the sustainability of the initiative. Several activities are implemented through relevant government counterparts such as ministries of education and culture to ensure the sustainability of the important peacebuilding activities initiated through DFF. The BiH Presidency confirmed, approved and signed off on the participation in the Multi-country DFF programme.
<b><u>Risk taking</u>:</b> Describe how the project has responded to risks that threatened the achievement of results. Identify any new risks that have emerged since the last report. (1500 character limit)	The risks identified in the project's risk matrix remain valid. It was agreed to accelerate the activities regarding the Small Grants Facility to avoid overlap with the elections campaign. The most important mitigation tool on election-related risks has been to directly engage local

	communities for the Outcome 1 of the project. The establishment of the Joint Programme Board right at the beginning enabled the project to make key decisions including on the selection of locations (municipalities), approval of the Annual Work Plan and the adoption of the ToR for the Board itself, allowing for electronic decision- making if necessary. Pre-election campaigning limited availability of the Presidency to directly engage in activities, and the Project team is aware that new BiH Presidency setup will need to be engaged and supported to absorb more quickly the demand for the vertical integration of activities taking place at the local level through a first country-wide dialogue platform with identified stakeholders, local authorities and inclusion of the SDG agenda to the national platform.
Gender equality: In the reporting period, which activities have taken place with a specific focus on addressing issues of gender equality or women's empowerment? (1500 character limit)	Gender equality is being addressed in many ways. Firstly, the experienced Association of Women ('Vive Zene') was selected as a partner in capacity development of the specific target group: women and associations of women. 'Vive Zene' will lend support in articulating and prioritising the specific needs of this target group aiming at finding solutions for integrating the needs of women into an overall local dialogue framework. Furthermore, women and girls will be targeted with tailored messages during the communication campaign and will receive special attention in U-Report, the IT platform for youth engagement. The Public Call's criteria on gender equality and women's empowerment was part of the Small Grant Facility. Equal participation of women in local dialogue platforms and project events will be considered a strong reference point. The Public Call's criteria on gender equality was part of the Small Grant Facility and approved projects have over 50% of participation of women. Equal participation of women in local dialogue platforms will be considered while out of 28 municipal coordinators, 17 are women.
Other: Are there any other issues concerning project implementation that you want to share, including any capacity needs of the recipient organizations? (1500 character limit)	The DFF BiH team, including local stakeholders from local government and NGO sector participated in a joint training on innovative practices in international and national collaboration on peacebuilding in early November. The BiH DFF team in 'The Conducive Space for Peace Accelerator' was one of the cohorts invited to present the project's strategy, identify vulnerabilities in implementation and prepare the team's strategy to improve the approach based on collective thinking, strategizing and interaction with the other teams from Syria, Mali, South Sudan and South Africa.

**1.3 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 **key indicators** at both the outcome and output level in the table below (if your project has more indicators than provided in the table, select the most relevant ones with most relevant progress to highlight). Where it has not been possible to collect data on indicators, state this and provide any explanation. Provide gender and age disaggregated data. (300 characters max per entry)

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
			Indicator Target			
Outcome 1 Increased interaction and collaboration between different groups at the local level (within and between municipalitie s)	Indicator 1.1 Percentage of local leaders and community representatives, including youth leaders, indicate increased collaboration between different groups	Minimal interaction and collaboration between different groups including local leaders, youth, religious networks and civil society.	75% of target groups report increased interaction after 12 months of project implementatio n. 50% of target groups report change in attitude towards collaboration 12 months from programme inception	The target groups started interacting through stakehodler local assessments.	9.5 months into project, the groups still need to develop interaction and attitude towards collaboration.Considering the target is set for 12 month period, the results will start shaping up in the coming months of implementation. Thorough analysis of stakeholders and the local needs was completed.	
	Indicator 1.2 Increased level of collaboration	Young people in BiH have	In 75% of the selected locations,	Young people prepared a number of project		

Performance	Indicator	End of	Current indicator	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
Indicators	Baseline	project	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
		Indicator			
 		Target			
between youth	Very little	Young people	proposals		
from different	interaction	have jointly	identifying needs		
groups; as well as	with other	identified	in their local		
between youth and	young people	priorities on	communities and		
local leaders	from	issues	The list of		
	different	affecting	approved projects		
	groups; and	them, and are	is adopted by the		
	youth are	jointly	Program Board		
	seldom	implementing	including national		
	included in	initiatives	stakeholders.The		
	municipal	related to	list ranked projects		
	decision-	sustaining	with highest score		
	making	peace in their	based on SGF		
	processes	communities	criteria and		
			geographic		
			distribution.		
Indicator 1.3	Very little	75% of target	Mayors in local		
Percentage of	interaction	locations	communities and		
target groups	between	report	municipal		
report increased	local	increased	coordinators are		
interaction	communities	interaction	part of the design		
between members	and their	between	of the local		
of community and	leaders,	community	dialogue platforms		
their local	community	members and	and they will be		
representatives;	members,	local leaders;	those facilitating		

	Performance	Indicator	End of	<b>Current indicator</b>	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
			Indicator			
			Target			
		and youth;		dialogue and		
				listening directly		
				to the perceptions		
				and needs of target		
				groups in local		
				communities.		
Output 1.1	Indicator 1.1.1	Limited	6-9 locations	Fully achieved.		
Local	Number of	number of	selected for	Selection was done		
communities	locations selected	locally led	the locally led	by the Joint		
lead local	for the local	peacebuildin	dialogue and	Programme Board		
assessments	peacebuilding	g	social	based on a		
on common	initiatives.	programmes	cohesion	transparent process		
problems and		being	initiatives.	taking into account		
priority		implemented		the criteria agreed		
issues of		throughout		in the project		
concern.	_	the country.		document.		
	Indicator 1.1.2	Young	80% of	As of November		
	percentage of local	facilitators,	selected	2018 selected		
	conveners	are not	conveners and	conveners and		
	demonstrate	regularly	facilitators	facilitators at local		
	capacity to	engaged in	demonstrate	level have		
	facilitate multi-	local	ability to	conducted local		
	stakeholder	peacebuildin	regularly	assessments of		
	processes.	g initiatives,	convene local	stakeholders.		
		and no	stakeholders.			

	Performance	Indicator	End of	<b>Current indicator</b>	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project Indicator	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
			Target			
		testing on				
		their				
		legitimacy in				
		their				
		communities.				
Output 1.2	Indicator 1.2.1	Limited	75% of	Letters of		
Social	Number of	number of	selected	Cooperation		
cohesion at	programme	communities	locations have	signed by all		
the local	locations hold	have	a platform or	Mayors of selected		
level	regular dialogues	institutionali	another local	municipalities for		
enhanced	and/establish local	zed dialogue	mechanism	DFF 2, explicitely		
through	structures for	mechanisms	that meets	stating the		
establishmen	peacebuilding		regularly and	commitment to		
t of local			leads local	institutionalise		
dialogue			social	local dialogue		
platforms/pe			cohesion	platforms.		
acebuilding			initiatives			
mechanisms	Indicator 1.2.2	There are	Group of	Specific target		
	number of youth	limited	young	groups including		
	leaders connect	numbers of	generation	young leaders have		
	across different	young	leaders from	been identified to		
	groups and lead	intellectuals,	local level	take part in the		
	dialogues on issues	leaders and	supported	local dialogue		
	of common	opinion	through	platforms. The		
	concern (locally	makers with	capacity	evaluation of		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	and regionally), including outside of activities implemented through this programme	the capacity to resist and overcome divisive rhetoric and narratives. Some municipalitie s have Municipal Youth Officers; however, their capacity to coordinate and network is weak.	building and small grants.	project proposals through Small Grant Facility is finalised and the process of contracting selected NGOs is to start soon.		
Output 1.3	Indicator 1.3.1 Indicator 1.3.2					
Outcome 2 Increased interaction and dialogue	Indicator 2.1 Programme partners and beneficiaries	Young people have very limited interaction	50% of target groups report increased interaction	No dialogue yet convened between Presidency and the local authorities		

	Performance	Indicator	End of	Current indicator	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project Indicator Target	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
between different groups at the BiH level	indicate increased interaction between the Presidency, local authorities, and youth.	and opportunities to engage with the Presidency in addition to local authorities.	between the Presidency, local authorities and youth.	and youth		
	Indicator 2.2 [INDICATOR DOES NOT EXIST IN FINAL PRODOC SO REMOVE THIS] Basis for regional cooperation established through number of consultations and completion and agreement on the regional initiative.	No regional, initiatives in peacebuildin g based	Regional Proposal cleared by national counterparts and joint multi-country initiative on sustaining peace in the region prepared.	The regional proposal was cleared by BiH counterparts, three more countries are to sign off soon.		
	Indicator 2.3 Number of	Elections related	Reduced likelihood of	The elections did not stop		
	provocative/negati	competition	elections	communities		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
			Target			
	ve statements in the mainstream media about the 'other' groups during elections period.	has a tendency to increase divisive rhetoric throughout the country.	period having negative effects on relationships at the community level.	working on the development of local dialogue platforms, The media is not directly involved yet to provide evidence of this		
Output 2.1 Youth leaders from BiH are capacitated to become conveners and peacebuilder s	Indicator 2.1.1 number of youth with enhanced skills in collaborative leadership and peacebuilding	Limited knowledge/s kills in the area of collaborative leadership and peacebuildin g among youth in the selected municipalitie s (programme partners will further assess	Representativ e group of youth (including girls and boys) in target locations demonstrate competence on collaborative leadership and peacebuilding	indicator. This target is partially achieved. Tailored methodologies for youth (including boys and girls) improved youth skills and competencies on collaborative leadership and peacebuilding.		

	Performance	Indicator	End of	Current indicator	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project Indicator Target	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
		these gaps and address them)				
	Indicator 2.1.2 number of instances that youth facilitate dialogues on issues of common concern in BiH	3 large scale conferences organized by the DFF partners with youth, however, very small number of dialogue initiatives have been led by youth themselves	Youth from different groups meet and dialogue on common priorities at least quarterly during programme implementatio n	Youth has met twice and discussed local situation. In the coming months youth from different groups will be meeting and leading dialogue on common priorities.		
Output 2.2 Dialogue between relevant authorities and institutions,	Indicator 2.2.1 Percentage of relevant entity and cantonal level action plans localize peacebuilding components of the	no entity or cantonal level action plans	At least one BiH- level dialogue utilizing SDGs as the entry point, and at least two entity and	DFF 2 project team members actively participated in 29- 30 May 2018 SDG Consultations among a wide variety of		

	Performance	Indicator	End of	<b>Current indicator</b>	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
			Indicator			
			Target			
and citizens,	SDGs in BiH		cantonal level	stakeholders in		
facilitated at			action plans	BiH, incl.		
BiH level			integrate	government		
			relevant	partners, CSOs,		
			peacebuilding	private sector, UN		
			elements	and donors. The		
			through SDGs	Peace &		
			into action	Partnerships		
			plans	Working Group		
				(covering SDG 16)		
				was facilitated by		
				the DFF team.		
	Indicator 2.2.2	#1 targeted	Revised and	The		
	Number of	Communicati	adjusted	Communication		
	dialogues; number	ons Strategy	Comms	and Advocacy		
	of key mainstream	produced for	strategy to	strategy is		
	and social media	DFF1	include	developed and will		
	outlets engaged in	implementati	specific	be shared with the		
	dialogue;	on;	targeting (e.g.	new Program		
	media articles with	Media plays	as defined in	Board for adoption		
	positive messages	a very	the narrative,	and		
	of tolerance and	divisive role	including	implementation.		
	peacebuilding	in the	approach for			
		country with	independent			
		most of the	media outlets			

	Performance	Indicator	End of	Current indicator	<b>Reasons for Variance/ Delay</b>	Adjustment of
	Indicators	Baseline	project	progress	(if any)	target (if any)
			Indicator			
			Target			
		media	and young			
		reporting	women). At			
		focusing on	least two			
		the negative	dialogues			
		news and	bringing			
		very little	together			
		media	mainstream			
		coverage	and social			
		for the	media outlets			
		positive	to discuss the			
		cross-group	role of media			
		collaborative	in promoting			
		initiatives.	social cohesi			
	Indicator 2.3.1	no	Youth	Regional		
Output 2.3	Representative	consultation	representing	workshops with		
BiH	number of youth	held on the	different	UN partners from		
leadership	covering different		groups in BiH	Serbia, Croatia and		
and youth	groups from BiH	initiative	and the	Montenegro held		
leaders	and the		neighboring	in May, July and		
connected to	neighbouring		countries	November		
leaders in the	countries		participate in	2018.The regional		
neighboring	participate in the		the	(multi-country)		
countries	regional		consultation	project proposal		
	consultation for		for the	was developed		
	the development of		regional	taking into account		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	the regional initiative Indicator 2.3.2		initiative.	the consultations with youth.		
Outcome 3	Indicator 3.1					
	Indicator 3.2 Indicator 3.3					
Output 3.1	Indicator 3.1.1					
Output 3.2	Indicator 3.1.2 Indicator 3.2.1					
	Indicator 3.2.2					
Output 3.3	Indicator 3.3.1 Indicator 3.3.2					
Outcome 4	Indicator 4.1					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	Indicator 4.2					
	Indicator 4.3					
Output 4.1	Indicator 4.1.1					
	Indicator 4.1.2					
Output 4.2	Indicator 4.2.1					
	Indicator 4.2.2					
Output 4.3	Indicator 4.3.1					
	Indicator 4.3.2					

## PART 2: INDICATIVE PROJECT FINANCIAL PROGRESS

### 2.1 Comments on the overall state of financial expenditures

Please rate whether project financial expenditures are on track, delayed, or off track, vis-à-vis project plans and by recipient organization: *delayed* 

How many project budget tranches have been received to date and what is the overall level of expenditure against the total budget and against the tranche(s) received so far (500 characters limit): The first tranche of USD 1,400,000.56 was received at the beginning of the project. The level of expenditure + commitments against the first tranche amounts to 45%. We expect to commit/spend around \$450,000 during the next 45 days, especially through the disbursement of funds for the Small Grants Facility. 25 projects are approved by the Program Board and the contracts with NGOs will be signed in the next 30 days.

When do you expect to seek the next tranche, if any tranches are outstanding: We currently expect that we will be able to seek the next tranche in December 2018.

If expenditure is delayed or off track, please provide a brief explanation (500 characters limit): The SGF disbursement was delayed due to the delayed National stakeholder's response and approval of the proposed projects for the Small Grant Facility. This delay was somehow anticipated due to the elections period and the business of the national stakeholders. However, as of the time of reporting, this obstacle is now solved and as such, the project can proceed with a reliable schedule on contracting the grantees and commiting/expending the SGF in the amount of 460,000 USD.

Please state what \$ amount was planned (in the project document) to be allocated to activities focussed on gender equality or women's empowerment and how much has been actually allocated to date: An analysis of the gender equality in the programming activities provides an estimate for approximately 48% of programmable budget to be expended on gender equality and targeted activities on women's and girls' empowerment. This amounts to 898,960 USD. To date, 299,660.55 USD is allocated.

Please fill out and attach Annex A on project financial progress with detail on expenditures/ commitments to date using the original project budget table in Excel, even though the \$ amounts are indicative only.