SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PEACEBUILDING FUND PBF PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT TEMPLATE



PBF PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT

COUNTRY: Bosnia and Herzegovina

TYPE OF REPORT: SEMI-ANNUAL, ANNUAL OR FINAL FINAL DATE OF REPORT: 20 May 2020

Project Title: A More Equitable Society: Promoting Social Cohesion and Diversity in BiH (Dialogue for the Future II)
Project Number from MPTF-O Gateway: 00108015
PBF project modality: If funding is disbursed into a national or regional trust fund:
PRF Regional Trust Fund
Name of Recipient Fund:
List all direct project recipient organizations (starting with Convening Agency), followed type of
organization (UN, CSO etc):
UNICEF, UNESCO, UNDP
List additional implementing partners, Governmental and non-Governmental:
Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina (main partner), municipal authorities, CSOs
Project commencement date ¹ : 6 December 2017
Project duration in months: 24 months (officially extended from the initial 18 months to 31
December 2019)
Does the project fall under one of the specific PBF priority windows below:
Gender promotion initiative
Youth promotion initiative
Transition from UN or regional peacekeeping or special political missions
Cross-border or regional project
Total PBF approved project budget* (by recipient organization):
UNICEF: \$ 783,475
UNDP : \$ 645,766
UNESCO : \$ 570,759
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Total: 2,000,000
*The overall approved budget and the release of the second and any subsequent tranche are conditional and subject to PBSO's
approval and subject to availability of funds in the PBF account How many tranches have been received so far: 2
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Report preparation:
Project report prepared by: Renata Gojak, UN Joint Project Coordinator, UNICEF Project report approved by: Dr. Rownak Khan, Representative, UNICEF (Convening Agency) Did PBF Secretariat clear the report: Yes Renata Gojak Renata Gojak Renata Gojak Renata Gojak Renata Gojak Project Coordinator, UNICEF Renata Gojak Renata Gojak Renata Gojak
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Did PBF Secretariat clear the report: Yes Rownak khar
Any comments from PBF Secretariat on the report: No
Has the project undertaken any evaluation exercises? Please specify and attach: Yes

¹ Note: commencement date will be the date of first funds transfer.

² 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):

The DFF 2 Joint Project clearly contributed to enhancing social cohesion among a wide range of people from a variety of backgrounds in 27 municipalities with a population of about 1.5 million, almost half of BiH's total population. Overall, the project reached 23,374 direct beneficiaries (46% women), including 21,580 young people and 509,812 indirect beneficiaries through specific interventions and grants to partners. Through 27 Local Dialogue Platforms, 920 people (570 women) including municipal authorities, young people, women, people with a disability, CSOs and social sector professionals directly participated in structured dialogue on priorities impeding social cohesion in their local communities and beyond. The project's approach included four stages for creating sustainable local mechanisms for dialogue: local needs assessments; skills-building and capacity development; facilitated dialogues and adoption of local priorities for action; and follow-up individual mentorship on conducting LDPs for selected communities. The Small Grant Facility supported 23 projects of CSOs, public institutions and individuals, which resulted in enhancing social cohesion in creative ways. Three joint conferences brought LDP participants and grantees together to exchange all their experiences. In the area of Education DFF 2 managed to bring about positive change at policy level through the endorsement of localized SDG4 indicators and a Universal Code of Ethics for schools in BiH.

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 enabled especially young people, women and disadvantaged people in actively advocating for social change and promoting tolerance through more inter-ethnic collaboration. DFF 2 created sustainable solutions for dialogue in local communities by enabling municipal authorities and academia to take ownership of processes introduced by the project. The baseline perception survey findings indicated a very low level of trust among people from different backgrounds and especially a lack of trust in public authorities. High rates of emigration of young people in search of a better standard of living are reported from the official statistical sources. The end-line survey demonstrated a marginal yet positive trend in trust in community and public institutions, however figures remain very low. Beyond these efforts, the lack of political will to enable dialogue and curb the ethnically divisive rhetoric, posits the project as relevant and would benefit from continuing efforts to address policy-level change. The increase in youth participation according to the end-line survey suggests the project contributed to put in place key building blocks for raising awareness about the imminent need for improved policy making in education, social inclusion, youth employment and countering negative (ethnically divisive) rhetoric.

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).

First, the project piloted and implemented the 'Local Dialogue Platforms' (LDP) methodology, placing mayors and municipal administrations in the driver's seat of opening space for conducive dialogue on concerns for the citizens and piloting the methodology to break the concept of social cohesion into clear and implementable actions. Second, the project has created a positive climate of accelerators of social change through support to CSOs, institutions and individuals in pursuing the implementation of their grass-roots peacebuilding and social cohesion projects Third, the youth-focused public campaign against hate speech ('Choose your words') led to an exciting and innovative cooperation with youth influencers. It reached about 3 million people and generated over 100,000 views on YouTube, Instagram and Facebook. Over 6,000 positive comments were received and not a single 'hate' comment. The campaign involved awareness raising and youth engagement via public concerts, and regional cooperation between artists promoted tolerance and acceptance among young people. Fourth, the project partnered with academia to work across the country with youth (students), teachers, librarians, and media outlets on advancing their peacebuilding and advocacy skills. Fifth, DFF 2 brought about positive change at policy level in promoting universal social values by the unanimous endorsement of a Universal Code of Ethics for schools.

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): A total of 27 municipalities have been equipped to convey participatory and structural dialogues on priorities and challenges impeding social cohesion with a diverse group of stakeholders including young people, women, marginalized groups, civil society organizations and religious organizations. A tool for such participatory dialogue was specifically developed for DFF 2 and the methodology was widely distributed and used: 21,580 direct beneficiaries young people, women, persons with disabilities and minorities such as Roma) benefitted from direct support and improved their skills in Communication and Advocacy, Collaborative Leadership, Media and Information Literacy, Self-assertiveness, and Empathy. The project also partnered with the 'EYOF'/European Youth Olympic Festival organized by Sarajevo and East Sarajevo in February 2019, and directly supported 50 youth volunteers from two entities, the Federation of BiH (FBiH) and Republika Srpska (RS) to practice their skills of collaboration, volunteerism and communication. DFF 2 also supported the revitalization of the Olympic Museum of Sarajevo, marking an important milestone 25 years after the end of conflict. An innovative public campaign against hate speech engaged popular youth influencers and achieved large visibility: 127,120 youth engagements across social media and 6,300 (positive) comments promoting inter-ethnic tolerance.

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 overall design of project interventions aimed at human-centered approach reaching out to over 21,580 beneficiaries (est. 44% of women). Examples include: Roma youth building skills and implementing activities (photography, community theater performance, outdoor advocacy; Roma girls took initiative to fight genderbased violence in their communities. Roma people (largest minority in the country) engaged in addressing the challenges of gender-based violence in their communities and co-created activities to fight social stigma imposed on this minority group. 202 Roma persons participated in the project as direct beneficiaries of the grants. Evidence shows high level of satisfaction with the opportunities provided for this group. People with disabilities improved their knowledge in creating advocacy campaigns; municipal employees in 5 partner municipalities were trained in sign language so they could respond to the needs of hundreds of hearing-impaired persons in their communities. Women were empowered to engage in entrepreneurship and cooperate across entity boundaries; Youth got the opportunity to participate in open public debates with parliamentary officials from both entities; Youth also engaged in volunteering in their communities and collaborated with their peers from (other) entity.

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). Involving the BiH Presidency members (highest political representation) presented a key challenge in the organization of the National Dialogue Platform(s). National Dialogue Platforms were planned as an enabling forum for local institutions (municipalities) and Local Dialogue Platform members (community representatives from a variety of sectors) to convey their evidence-based priorities to the highest political authorities. This was eventually merged with the National Dialogue Platform planned under the Regional DFF project to engage project beneficiaries of both streams and promote LDP findings to the broader public and the media. The spin-off, the thematic National Dialogue Platform on Education succeeded in engaging one of the Presidency members as well as the representatives of all government levels in the education sector. This platform allowed for several valuable policy changes: first, the introduction of a country-wide system for monitoring of the SDG4 indicators and secondly the endorsement of a Universal Code of Ethics for schools in Bosnia and Herzegovina, while also introducing/presenting a clear Media and Information Literacy strategic approach in BiH. The platforms were attended by 200 participants, consisting of representatives of partner municipalities, young people from all across the region, CSOs, ministries of education and representatives from the international community.

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):

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.

- Local Dialogue Platform Methodology
- LDP ToRs and Action Plans
- National Dialogue Platform materials
- Final Project Conference Report
- Public Campaign Against Hate Speech Report

- Universal Code of Ethics
- Baseline Perceptions Survey Report
- Endline Perceptions Survey Report
- Final Evaluation Report
- Overview of Beneficiaries
- 27 Municipal priority plans
- Methodology for National Monitoring of the SDG4 Indicators
- List of links with video materials and photos
- Monitoring reports for Small Grant Facility Mechanism
- Manual for Peacebuilding skills for adolescents
- U-report: Summary of youth engagement in BiH

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.

<u>Outcome 1:</u> 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)?

- Prepared Local Dialogue Platforms (LDP) feasibility plans and/or Action Plans and TORs by municipalities including specific references to continuous dialogue in 27 locations. The project compiled priorities from 27 locations and aggregated evidence-based priorities for BiH. Priorities target different government levels, those that topped the list are: a) Increasing trust in society and public institutions (fight against corruption); b) Promoting youth mobility and facilitating youth employment; c) Fighting negative rhetoric in media and public spaces; d) Strengthening the role of women and e) Protecting vulnerable population.
- The National Dialogue Platform in December 2019 identified key priorities under social cohesion components of connectedness, social relations and focus on the common good. The entire event was streamed live via Facebook with over 1,000 views during the opening and prioritization sessions of the event. Overall, 27% of respondents found that the BiH Dialogue Platform has helped them acquire new skills and learn a new concept (social cohesion); 42% found that it was valuable for acquiring new professional contacts and networking; and 32% found that the BiH Dialogue Platform was valuable for acquiring new ideas for projects in their local community.
- The three project conferences gathered in total 300 participants (65% women) engaged in networking, exchanging of project ideas and advocating for vulnerable target groups. DFF conferences included LDP municipal coordinators, selected

mayors and SGF grantees. The conferences were organized in May 2018, April 2019 and December 2019.

- In the two National Dialogue Platforms, over 200 participants (60% women) contributed actively. The first platform (November 2019) was organized as a Thematic National Platform on SDG4 - role of education sector in the promotion of Social Cohesion. The platform received extensive media coverage and one of the BiH Presidency members attended as a keynote speaker. The platform resulted in the endorsement of the Universal Code of Ethics for schools in BiH and the adoption of the localized SDG4 Indicators monitoring system in BiH. Ministers of Education from both entities, a representative from the BiH Ministry of Civil Affairs in charge of coordination of the education participated in the Thematic platform.

Through the Small Grant facility, 23 grants to 13 CSO partners, 8 Institutions and 2 individuals were disbursed and successfully implemented resulting in 21,580 direct beneficiaries (46% women). This included beneficiairies among Roma communities (at least 10% of the total) and people with disabilities (with about 15% of the total).

- The public campaign against hate speech received (national) attention and specifically targeted youth. 'Choose your words' received 127,120 direct engagements and 6,700 positive comments across social media platforms and engaged youth in a mash-up video promotion

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

Rate the current status of the outcome progress: on track

Progress summary: (see guiding questions under Outcome 1)

U-Report: 6,700 U-Reporters across BiH were registered during the implementation of the DFF 2 project. U-Report is a free social media polling platform that allows registered U-Reporters (mostly young people) to give their views about their perceptions on youth participation in issues of their concern through real-time responses to selected questions twice a month, for consideration by policy makers.

- The successful support to EYOF (European Youth Olympic Festival) organized by the two (divided) cities, Sarajevo and East Sarajevo brought together 50 DFF volunteers from DFF localities. The project contributed to the revitalization of the Olympic Museum of Sarajevo within the overall scope of the organization of the EYOF, presenting a powerful symbol of cooperation. In October 2019, the UN Under-Secretary General/Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, Mr. Dieng met with the two mayors and acknowledged their collaboration efforts and successful joint implementation of the EYOF.
- Over 150 representatives from the education sector from 10 DFF local communities participated in 10 Educational Local Dialogue Platforms (thematic Local Dialogue platforms) bringing together students, teachers, parents, school directors and others to propose and recommend changes in curricula for improving learning outcomes and enhance collaborative problem solving as a response to the disappointing 2018 PISA test results for BiH.
- The Universal Code of Ethics for primary and secondary schools was endorsed during the SDG4 Thematic National Dialogue Platform on 29 November 2019 in Banja Luka.

- Localized SDG4 indicators for BiH were finalized in cooperation with all levels of relevant Ministries and statistical institutes and endorsed at the SDG4 Thematic National Dialogue Platform.
- A National Dialogue Platform was held in December 2019 with over 100 participants who presented the results of all the Local Dialogue Platform efforts during the year. The platform was merged with the Regional DFF platform.
- The UNESCO manual 'World heritage in young hands' engaged 23 schools across BiH. A total of 70 adolescents, teachers and school directors visited the National Museum of Sarajevo and the Museum of Modern Art in Banja Luka.
- The DFF 2 project was presented at the High-level Event on Culture and Sustainable Development at the United Nations Headquarters in New York on 21 May 2019. The event was convened by the President of the UN General Assembly in partnership with UNESCO.
- PONDER, PODIUM and MIL workshops with youth on responsible reporting and advocacy were convened with over 60 participants, resulting in their improved communication, advocacy, positive storytelling skills and media and information literacy.
- Media and Information Literacy workshops took place in Sarajevo, East Sarajevo, Mostar and Banja Luka, promoting collaboration with the four largest universities/faculties in BiH with participation by journalists and media outlets

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 guestions under Outcome 1)

1.3 Cross-cutting issues

<u>National ownership:</u> How has the national government demonstrated ownership/ commitment to the project results and activities? Give specific examples. (1500 character limit)

The DFF 2 Joint Project Board, including representatives of the BiH Presidency, the UN RC and three Heads of Agencies, was officially convened to approve the project and decide on the selection of municipalities. The representatives of the BiH Presidency strongly recommended to increase the number of initially planned 6-9 locations to a total of 28 municipalities. The Presidency members encouraged the Local Dialogue Platform institutionalization process by supporting involving mayors of municipalities to nominate municipal coordinators. Mayors of select municipalities participated in the introductory round of meetings and followed up with official nominations, thus officially recognizing the

project's efforts and allocating time of municipal coordinators to carry out the work of implementing the Dialogue for the Future activities. The national counterparts approved yearly the project's annual workplan and officially approved the public campaign 'Choose Your Words' (Biraj Rijeci). One of the Presidency members took an active role in the National Dialogue Platform on promoting Education and delivered the keynote remarks to over 100 participants. Ministers of Education from both entities also actively participated in the Platform, which adopted criteria for localizing SDG4 indicators and endorsed the Universal Code of Ethics for schools in BiH. The national counterparts also approved the selected NGOs, proposed for funding through the Small Grant Facility.

Monitoring: Is the project M&E plan on track? What monitoring methods and sources of evidence are being/ have been used? Please attach any monitoring-related reports for the reporting period. (1500 character limit)?

M&E plan was in place during the implementation of the project. Joint Project Board adopted annual workplans with specific set of targets for 2018 and 2019. Results Framework monitoring was regularly reported on biannually. DFF project used adjusted and harmonized Monitoring guidelines for small grant facility resulting in at 52 monitoring visits to project partners. The project remained flexible during the implementation in that it managed to adapt to the evolving political situation and offer mitigation for shortcomings in the preparation of the National Dialogue Platform. Regular weekly meetings with the Joint technical DFF team resulted in clear implementation schedules and ensured timely information-sharing.

Evaluation: 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. (1500 character limit)

The final evaluation of the project has been completed. The report is attached in a separate Annex. The evaluation offers an objective review of the project's relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, impact and sustainability, and offers a set of recommendations and identified lessons learned. The expenditure for the evaluation was US\$ 30,000, as per the project's budget.

The evaluation team consisting of 3 persons (Team Leader, Evaluation expert and Evaluation assistant) convened a dedicated workshop with the UN DFF 2 team and senior management at the beginning of the process to ensure the project's theory of change and expectations from the evaluation were clear. Following the desk review and the field work (including interviews with selected partners from all components of the project), the evaluation team submitted a first draft of the report and after comments received from the UN BiH team and BiH submitted the final evaluation report.

The final report proposes 12 specific recommendations covering the following areas for a possible follow-up project: narrower focus; strengthened UN coordination

	with other stakeholders/implementers; lower number of municipalities; adding activities that will directly support the implementation of local priorities
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 negotiated. Multi-country DFF project has certainly been a result of catalytic financial effects, due to already established cooperation within UNagencies in BiH, cooperation between the BiH National Counterparts and the neighbouring countries (Serbia and Montenegro) and the PDU unit is exploring opportunities of the follow-up phase of the project that may result in creating favorable conditions for additional peacebuilding activities.
Catalytic affacts (non-financial). Did	
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)	The project created a reasonable awareness of peacebuilding/social cohesion activities. The Endline Perceptions Survey and the Public Campaign against hate speech as well as highly active social media page of the project created favorable conditions for peacebuilding activities in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Social cohesion has become a prominent concept for the programming and a number of donors are supporting partial activities with the various UN agencies.
Exit strategy/ sustainability: 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)	Institutionalizing the local dialogue platforms at the municipal level and the municipal commitment to support and co-finance projects from their grant facility are the two major steps in securing the sustainability of the project's actions in promoting sustainable dialogue at the local community level. The LDP methodology for conducive dialogue in communities was prepared and widely disseminated. This knowledge tool can be used for the replication of the structured dialogue process in other municipalities across the country. As a result of the DFF partnership with academia (a partnership between faculties of four major cities in the country (Sarajevo, East Sarajevo, Mostar and Banja Luka) important steps in increasing collaboration among universities to jointly develop methodology for the Media and Information Literacy content resulted in improving MIL and intercultural education skills with students, teachers and librarians; SDG4 indicators were developed with the active participation of the representatives from Ministries of Education and statistical offices at entity and state level thus ensuring national ownership.
Risk taking: Describe how the project	The buy-in of the key national stakeholders (BiH
has responded to risks that threatened the	Presidency members) to actively participate and more
achievement of results. Identify any new	importantly commit to a leading role in advocating for the
risks that have emerged since the last	dialogue and policy making presented a major risk for the
report. (1500 character limit)	successful implementation of the project. To mitigate and

	properly address this risk, the project took a longer term approach and focused on working with the Local Dialogue Platforms to become permanent (embedded) mechanisms
	in the local communities with legitimacy and strength of being open, transparent and structured enough to provide framework for solutions and identification of the responsible 'duty-bearers'. In the last quarter of the project,
	two National Dialogue Platforms were organized and one BiH Presidency member actively participated in one National Dialogue Platform. While not sufficiently engaging, it is a move in the right direction, considering
	the political hurdles during the project implementation period. The PDU Unit was essential in carrying out the liaison role with the Presidency cabinets ensuring regular communication and information sharing about the project's
	progress. All three Presidency cabinets responded to the tasks related to their role as the JPB members however the project significantly lagged behind in securing the political support to the dialogue process.
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)	All activities in the project were planned and implemented with the focus on ensuring gender equality. All grantees reported on gender-disaggregated data for their beneficiaries on average ratio of 45%, and at least 30% of grants were implemented targeting women only. Implementation of capacity development activities was carried out for 2903 participant of which 1,354 were women (46% est.), and female local municipal coordinators were actively participating on DFF panel discussions. Local Dialogue Platforms resulted in 62% of women participation. (570 women out of 920 total participants); 224 women (and 10 men) participated in capacity development specifically for women's empowerment.
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)	

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	•	, <u>v</u>	•
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	Fully achieved Source: Endline perception survey		
	Indicator 1.2 Increased level of collaboration	Young people in BiH have	In 75% of the selected locations,	Fully achieved		

Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
between youth from different groups; as well as between youth and local leaders	very little interaction with other young people from different groups; and youth are seldom included in municipal decision- making processes	young people have jointly identified priorities on issues affecting them, and are jointly implementing initiatives related to sustaining peace in their communities			
Indicator 1.3 Percentage of target groups report increased interaction between members of community and their local representatives;	Very little interaction between local communities and their leaders, community members, and youth;	75% of target locations report increased interaction between community members and local leaders;	Fully achieved		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 1.1 Local communities lead local assessments on common problems and priority issues of concern.	Indicator 1.1.1 Number of locations selected for the local peacebuilding initiatives.	Limited number of locally led peacebuildin g programmes being implemented throughout the country.	6-9 locations selected for the locally led dialogue and social cohesion initiatives.	28 locations selected for the locally led dialogue and social cohesion initiatives.	Increase in number of locations was agreed at the first Joint Project Board in 2018.	27 - one municipality did not manage to set- upt the Local Dialogue Platform due to lack of capacity (perhaps too small and lacking sufficient sector representatives)
	Indicator 1.1.2 percentage of local conveners demonstrate capacity to facilitate multi- stakeholder processes.	Young facilitators, are not regularly engaged in local peacebuildin g initiatives, and no testing on their legitimacy in their communities.	80% of selected conveners and facilitators demonstrate ability to regularly convene local stakeholders.	Fully achieved	Additional training on facilitation and menthorship for selected convenors implemented in the second half of 2019.	

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 1.2 Social cohesion at the local level enhanced through establishmen t of local dialogue platforms/pe acebuilding mechanisms	Indicator 1.2.1 Number of programme locations hold regular dialogues and/establish local structures for peacebuilding	Limited number of communities have institutionali zed dialogue mechanisms	75% of selected locations have a platform or another local mechanism that meets regularly and leads local social cohesion initiatives	LDPs adopted in all but one municipality. Increase in number of municipalities though from 9 to 28 represents a significant effort of the project to pursue the achievement of this target. locations.	One small municipality did not achieve the organisation of the Local Dialogue Platforms.	27
	Indicator 1.2.2 number of youth leaders connect across different groups and lead dialogues on issues of common concern (locally and regionally), including outside of activities implemented	There are limited numbers of young intellectuals, leaders and opinion makers with the capacity to resist and overcome divisive	Group of young generation leaders from local level supported through capacity building and small grants.	Fully achieved.		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	through this programme	rhetoric and narratives. Some municipalitie s have Municipal Youth Officers; however, their capacity to coordinate and network is weak.	- 3.5 g v ·			
Output 1.3	Indicator 1.3.1 Indicator 1.3.2					
Outcome 2 Increased interaction and dialogue between different groups at the BiH level	Indicator 2.1 Programme partners and beneficiaries indicate increased interaction between the Presidency, local	Young people have very limited interaction and opportunities to engage with the	50% of target groups report increased interaction between the Presidency, local authorities	Two National Dialogue Platforms were convened of which one (Thematic/SDG4) was attended by one of the	This target was delayed due to political hurdle of reaching out to national counterparts. A number of risk-mitigating measures including internal communication and follow up have taken place over the course of the project.	

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	authorities, and youth.	Presidency in addition to local authorities.	and youth.	Presidency members. Endline survey reports on favourably on this indicator.		
	Indicator 2.2 Number of provocative/negati ve statements in the mainstream media about the 'other' groups during elections period.	Elections related competition has a tendency to increase divisive rhetoric throughout the country.	Reduced likelihood of elections period having negative effects on relationships at the community level.	Achieved. Reduced negative media messages reported in the Endline Survey.	The project delayed the public campaign against hate speach for a reasonable period after general elections aiming at more favourable period for achieving better results of the campaign. Designated national counterparts approved of it.	
	Indicator 2.3					
Output 2.1 Youth leaders from BiH are capacitated to become conveners	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	Representativ e group of youth (including girls and boys) in target locations	Fully achieved.		
and	peaceounding	peacebuildin	demonstrate			

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peacebuilder s		g among youth in the selected municipalitie s (programme partners will further assess these gaps and address them)	competence on collaborative leadership and peacebuilding			
	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 participated in dialogues at least 81 times within Local Dialogue Platforms; 7 times within Educational Dialogue Platforms and 4 times during regional meetings on the development of unified	This indicator was adjusted due to project design.	Monthly (more often than quarterly)

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				methodology for LDPS.		
Output 2.2 Dialogue between relevant authorities and institutions, and citizens, facilitated at BiH level	Indicator 2.2.1 Percentage of relevant entity and cantonal level action plans localize peacebuilding components of the SDGs in BiH	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 cantonal level action plans integrate relevant peacebuilding elements through SDGs into action plans	As in 2018, the DFF project supported the national consultations on SDG 16 during 2019.		
	Indicator 2.2.2 Number of dialogues; number of key mainstream and social media outlets engaged in	#1 targeted Communicati ons Strategy produced for DFF1 implementati	Revised and adjusted Comms strategy to include specific	Fully achieved.		

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
	dialogue; media articles with positive messages of tolerance and peacebuilding	on; Media plays a very divisive role in the country with most of the media reporting focusing on the negative news and very little media coverage for the positive cross-group collaborative initiatives.	targeting (e.g. as defined in the narrative, including approach for independent media outlets and young women). At least two dialogues bringing together mainstream and social media outlets to discuss the role of media in promoting social cohesi			
Output 2.3 BiH leadership and youth	Indicator 2.3.1 Representative number of youth covering different groups from BiH	no consultation held on the regional initiative	Youth representing different groups in BiH and the	Fully achieved.		The DFF regional (multi-country) project proposal was adopted and involved youth

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
leaders connected to leaders in the neighboring countries	and the neighbouring countries participate in the regional consultation for the development of the regional initiative Indicator 2.3.2		neighboring countries participate in the consultation for the regional initiative.			from the region.
Outcome 3	Indicator 3.1					
	Indicator 3.2 Indicator 3.3					
Output 3.1	Indicator 3.1.1					
	Indicator 3.1.2					
Output 3.2	Indicator 3.2.1					
	Indicator 3.2.2					

	Performance Indicators	Indicator Baseline	End of project Indicator Target	Current indicator progress	Reasons for Variance/ Delay (if any)	Adjustment of target (if any)
Output 3.3	Indicator 3.3.1					
	Indicator 3.3.2					
Outcome 4	Indicator 4.1					
	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: *on track*

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): Two tranches in the amount of US\$ 2,000,000 were received. The level of expenditure against the total budget amounts to 99.7% of the total budget . Detailed expenditure report is attached in Annex D.

When do you expect to seek the next tranche, if any tranches are outstanding: N/A

If expenditure is delayed or off track, please provide a brief explanation (500 characters limit): N/A

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 gender equality in the DFF 2 programming activities estimates overall 44% of the programmable budget was expended on gender equality and targeted activities for women's and girls' empowerment.

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.