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▼ **4.1.A Nature of public funding and/or tax benefits available for the categories of heritage protection listed in 2.3**

**Category of heritage protection:**

Cat 1 / the highest degree of protection

▼ **4.1.B Nature of the public financial support for non-preventative archaeological research activities.**

**Mandatory Full funding**

No

No

▼ **4.1.C Nature of the public financial support for preventative / development-led archaeological activities in the context**

4.1.C

▼ Public Development

**Mandatory Full funding**

No

No

▼ Private Development

**Mandatory Full funding**

No

No

▼ **4.1 Commentary**

**Commentary (click to collaps)**

## **Integrated Approach**

The state institutions are financed from the budget of the institutions of BiH. Thus far no regular budget for financing heritage protection projects has been established. The Commission to Preserve National Monuments's budget for 2009 included 200,000 KM for the emergency protection of four monuments. In 2008 the Council of Ministers of BiH adopted a decision to allocate €300,000 each year in 2008, 2009 and 2010 for the rehabilitation of three religious buildings.

### **Regional and local government**

The institutions responsible for heritage protection at the entity level are financed from the entity budgets via the entity ministries responsible for culture. In response to decisions of the Commission to Preserve National Monuments designating properties as national monuments, the relevant ministries of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republika Srpska and Brčko are required to allocate funds for work on monuments, including endangered national monuments, both privately owned and state owned.

In 2008 the Government of FBiH disbursed €2,000,000 for the restoration of the cultural and built heritage; this was followed in 2009 by the allocation of €1,000,000. In 2008, funds in the amount of €1,160,580 were allocated through the Programme for the Allocation of Funds for the Preservation, Conservation and Restoration of the Cultural Heritage raised from membership fees in the tourist associations of FBiH; the corresponding sum for 2010 was €1,413,300.

Funds earmarked for the protection of the cultural and natural heritage in the budget of Republika Srpska amounted to €900,000 in 2009 and €500,000 in 2010.

The transfer of funds from the budget of Brčko District for the protection of the cultural and built heritage amounted to €250,000 in 2008 and €320,000 in 2009.

### **Private funding and sponsors**

Non-profit bodies, such as associations, foundations and other organisations of public interest, play an important role in the safeguarding and promotion of cultural heritage in Bosnia and Herzegovina. State support for such organizations takes the form of various annual grants and public tenders for which they may apply.

### **Aids and grants - Public support**

The obligations deriving from Annex 8 of the General Framework Agreement for Peace are funded from the budgets of Republika Srpska, the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Brčko District, and funding for the protection of national monuments of Bosnia and Herzegovina located within the entities and the District, and in particular for carrying out the measures prescribed for the protection of national monuments, is planned accordingly. These are non-refundable public funds invested in monuments and heritage, regardless of whether they are in public or private ownership.

The executive budget of the Ministry of Civil Affairs for Aid to the Co-financing Programme for Cultural Institutions in BiH amounted to €1,500,000 for the years 2009 and 2010; part of this sum related to the cultural and built heritage.

Funds have also been raised from international foundations, non-governmental organizations, UNESCO, the EU and international agencies.

Pursuant to the Rulebook on Activities of the Commission to Preserve National Monuments as regards International Cooperation adopted by the Presidency of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Commission may raise funds from donations for financing the operations of the Commission and the protection of national monuments. Between 2003 and 2001 the Commission raised €580,000 from foreign donations for emergency protection, rehabilitation and the integration of heritage into development. The donors were the US Ambassador's Fund for Cultural Preservation, the German Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Agency of the German ambassador in BiH, the European Commission, the Council of Europe, the AECID unit of Spain, USAID, and the British Council.

About €9 million has been raised from EU pre-accession funds for the rehabilitation of the City Hall (National and University Library) in Sarajevo and the Town Hall in Bosanski Novi/Novi Grad (2010/2011).

In 2003 the Commission to Preserve National Monuments launched a campaign for the protection of endangered monuments entitled "Cultural Heritage – a Vanishing Treasure," designed to raise awareness of the importance of heritage for preserving the identity of Bosnia and Herzegovina and to raise funds/donations for heritage rehabilitation.

## **▼ 4.2.A Direct aid (direct budgetary support) system**

Yes

**Funding type****Approach**

Structural funding

Integrated approach

Ad hoc / project based Integrated approach

**Total budget:****Year Budget (k€)**▼ **4.2.B Tax relief system for heritage**▼ **4.2.C Incentives applicable****4.2.C To whom do incentives apply?****Please give the total expenditure:**▼ **4.2 Commentary****Commentary (click to collaps)****Integrated Approach**

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In Bosnia and Herzegovina, according to the currently valid tax laws in the entities and Brčko District, there are no tax reliefs associated with the protection and preservation of cultural assets.

#### ▼ 4.3.A Heritage funded by private funding organisations and/or sponsors

Yes

Bosniak Institute

Community development foundation MOZAIK

#### ▼ 4.3.B Jointly funded projects

Yes

**Sector:**

Private sector

Public sector

#### ▼ 4.3 Commentary

**Commentary (click to collapse)**

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