

## Media information

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### Demystifying the EU conference

SNV has been working in BiH for some time now, supporting development that directly improves the lives of people and communities. Other countries in the region that have recently joined the EU have benefited greatly from the process, economically, socially and politically and we are committed to support BiH in making the most of the opportunities EU integration offers.

We want to raise awareness amongst municipalities about how much there is to gain from full participation in this process, and in the longer term build their capacity to prepare and implement appropriate strategies to turn potential benefits into actual gains.

We already have many active partnerships throughout BiH and we shall be exploring with our partners at national and local level how best to increase preparedness and in the long-term reap sustainable rewards for local communities.

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