



Bosnia and Herzegovina
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Ms. Orsalia Kalantzopoulos, Country Director
The World Bank
Southeast Europe Country Unit

*Subject: Transboundary Water Resource Management and Environmental Protection in
the Neretva and Trebisjnica River Basin – Regional project for Bosnia
Herzegovina and Croatia*

Dear Ms. Kalantzopoulos:

We would like to request World Bank support to develop a project concept for which we would request grant funding from the GEF. The proposed project, **"Transboundary Water Resource Management and Environmental Protection in the Neretva and Trebisjnica River Basin – Regional project for Bosnia Herzegovina and Croatia"** addresses key environmental priorities of Bosnia Herzegovina – improved water resource management and aquatic ecosystem conservation. It also addresses transboundary water resource and environmental concerns we have identified as priorities in the Southeast Europe Regional Environmental Reconstruction Program.

I have discussed this project with the GEF focal point in Croatia, Mr. Roko Andrecevic, who has also endorsed the project.

We would like to request the World Bank to undertake this project as an Implementing Agency for the project.

Sincerely yours,


Dr. Jadranko Prlic

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