

# MEASURE-BiH

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## Program Evaluation Learning Resources

Erste Stiftung, Publications: <http://www.erstestiftung.org/activities/publications/>

Research to Action – The Global Guide to Research Impact, Reading List: <http://www.researchtoaction.org/tag/reading-list/>

## Recommended News Articles and Blog Posts

[Using Public Data to Measure Outcomes for Vulnerable Populations: Lessons Learned with Heather Krause](#)

[Evaluating in Dynamic, Uncertain Political Environments with Jewlya Lynn](#)

[How to Compose a Post for Different Social Channels](#)

[The Future of Work: The Number of Jobs is Not The Only Thing at Stake](#)

[Campaign Art: Why It's Imperative to Scale-Up Maternal and Child Nutrition](#)

[Anti-Trafficking Activists Must Be Adaptable to Combat the Ever Changing Problem of Human Trafficking](#)

[What Do We Know About the Link Between Financial Inclusion and Inclusive Growth?](#)

[An Innovative Student Loan Program in Azerbaijan](#)

[A Framework for Taking Evidence from One Location to Another](#)

[Between 2 Geeks: Episode 7 – The Future of Data? \(Cape Town Edition\)](#)

[The 20 Countries With the Highest Inflation Rate in 2016 \(Compared To the Previous Year\)](#)



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## Upcoming Events

### September 7

[Monitoring, Evaluation, Research and Learning \(MERL\) Tech 2017, Washington DC, USA](#)

### September 19

[6<sup>th</sup> Biennial International Conference of Sri Lanka Evaluation Association, Colombo, Sri Lanka](#)

## Useful Sites

<https://ideas-global.org/>

<http://eis.ba/>

## Examples of Evaluation Projects

[Evaluation of the Linking Innovation, Knowledge, and Employment Program, Final Evaluation Report by IMPAQ Int., October 2016](#)

[Evaluation of the Senior Risk Reduction Demonstration \(SRRD\) Under Medicare, final Evaluation Report by IMPAQ Int., December 2013](#)

## Relevant Publications

### [Judicial Effectiveness Index of Bosnia and Herzegovina: 2016 Report by USAID/MEASURE-BiH](#)

The JEI-BiH is a measuring tool for tracking changes in the effectiveness of the BiH judiciary. The Index has 5 dimensions, 53 sub-dimensions, and 146 indicators. The main objective of the Index is to track trends in the BiH judiciary over time, with 2015 serving as the baseline year against which progress in future years will be tracked.

As in 2015, MEASURE-BiH used the most rigorous methods of collecting data from three sources in 2016:

1. National Survey on Public Perception BiH (N=3,004)
2. Survey of Judges and Prosecutors (N=774)
3. High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council (HJPC) administrative data

The total value of the 2016 Index is 56.78 — which reflects an improvement in the effectiveness of the BiH judiciary of 4.4% (2.37 points) compared to the previous year.

In 2016, the values of four out of the five dimensions of Index improved compared to 2015 (Efficiency, Accountability and transparency, Capacity and resources, and Independence and impartiality); the value of the single exception, the Quality dimension, was unchanged.

The 2016 findings also confirmed that the media created most of the public perception of judiciary effectiveness, with most citizens having no personal experience of the judiciary's work.

Based on the overall 2016 Index, judge/prosecutor perceptions of judiciary effectiveness improved by 6.5% compared to 2015. Judges/prosecutors' perception of BiH judiciary's effectiveness is almost two times better than citizens' perception, at 61.4% of total 100% that would represent maximum level of satisfaction of all judges/prosecutors on all questions asked.

Within the HJPC administrative data on processing cases in the main case types tracked in courts/POs, there was a general slight improvement (0.9%) in 2016 compared to 2015. All levels of the BiH judiciary should continue with efforts to shorten the average duration of case dispositions, as well as the age and number of unresolved cases (backlog). In particular, courts/POs should take advantage of the generally decreasing trend in case inflow to improve the indicator values for all aspects of judicial effectiveness.



### Recommended Reading

#### [Civil Society in Central and Eastern Europe: Challenges and Opportunities by ERSTE Stiftung](#)

This research is guided by the intention to develop a better understanding of the current state of civil society in Central and Eastern Europe.

According to the Report, CSO sector in BiH includes 23,000 CSOs, less than half of which are actually active. Furthermore, civil society in BiH can be divided into 3 sub-sectors: 1) CSOs conditioned by attitudes and policies of certain groups; 2) think tanks; and 3) grassroots organizations, which account to majority of CSOs.

Overall, CSOs today do not enjoy a lot of trust in the public eye due to the lack of transparency and democratic procedures within their organizations. In terms of the state funds, sports associations receive their largest portion (18.45%).