





## International Workshop on

## Strengthening the promotion of innovative start-ups and job opportunities in rural areas of the EUSAIR countries

Hotel MEPAS, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> March 2023

## **AGENDA**

Tuesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023, Hotel MEPAS, Mostar						
9.00-9.30	Registration					
	Introductory words, Moderator: Midhat Dzemic, Directorate for European Integration of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina, EUSAIR Presidency					
9.30-10.00	<ul> <li>Welcome addresses:</li> <li>Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations of Bosnia and Herzegovina, MoFTER, Slobodan Cvijanovic</li> <li>Italian Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Lorenzo Donatelli</li> <li>CIHEAM – Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Bari, Biagio Di Terlizzi, Bari, Italy, online</li> <li>Regional Rural Development Strategic Working Group (RRD SWG) in South-Eastern Europe, Dušan Nešković</li> <li>Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome, Andrea Cascone, online, to be confirmed</li> </ul>					
Session 1						
10.00-10.20	Take Action for Sustainable Development Goals, H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina					
10.20-10.30	Promoting EU integration through sustainable agriculture and green rural development in the EUSAIR non-EU countries, project presentation, Mladen Todorović, CIHEAM BARI, Italy					
10.30-10.50	Farm to Fork strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally friendly food system: EU experiences in its promotion and implementation, Pasquale Di Rubbo, EU DG AGRI, online					
10.50-11.10	Open innovation and youth entrepreneurship for sustainable rural development and agri-food sector, Giusy Miuli, CIHEAM BARI, Italy					
11.10-11.30	Coffee break					

Session 2						
11:30-11:45	Encouraging development of entrepreneurship in rural areas of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Jakub Butković, Office for Harmonization and Coordination of Payment Systems in Agriculture, Food and Rural Development of BiH					
11:45-12:00	Sustainable economic development and environmental protection of the Areas with Natural Constraints (ANC) in Bosnia and Herzegovina – project presentation, Suzana Madzarić, CIHEAM BARI, Italy					
12:00-13:15	Youth entrepreneurship and innovation for sustainable rural development – practices and examples from BiH (other projects/initiatives)					
	<ul> <li>Agripreneur project, Petar Nikolic, Banja Luka</li> <li>REDAH – Regional Association for Economic Development, Ivica Sivrić, Mostar</li> <li>Malak Farma, Haris Ćorić, Saladina Pašalić, Kakanj</li> <li>Farma Podhum, Mate Omazić, Livno</li> <li>FARMAVIT, Stefan Šalvarica, Ljubinje</li> <li>Narcis, Nada Šarić, Posušje</li> </ul>					
13.15-13.45	How to invert the depopulation trend and enhance green rural development, introductory presentation (10 minutes) Marko Ivankovic, Agro-Mediteranski Institut Mostar Discussion (20 minutes)					
13.45-14.45	Lunch buffet					
Session 3						
14.45-15.00	Strengthening the promotion of innovative start-ups and job opportunities in rural areas of the EUSAIR countries					
	Good practices and examples from the EU EUSAIR countries – Food4Health,     Gianfranco Cataldi, CIHEAM BARI, Italy					
15.00-15.45	Strengthening the promotion of innovative start-ups and job opportunities in rural areas of the non-EU EUSAIR countries  • Albania, Ilir Pilku • Bosna and Herzegovina, Ivan Jurilj • Montenegro, Andjela Djokić • North Macedonia, Stevan Orozović					
	Serbia, Snezana Milisavljević					
15:45-16:15	Discussion – how to support youth entrepreneurship and application of innovations in sustainable rural development and agri-food sector?					
16.15-16.30	Coffee break					
16:30-16:55	Discussion (continuation) – key messages for the Forum					
16:55-17:00	Closing of the event					
19.30-21.30	Dinner, Restoran Sadrvan, Stari grad, Mostar					