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Project summary:

Step to Employment: Training and Employment of the Unemployed in East Sarajevo

The project will be focused on currently unemployed persons registered at the Employment Service of the Republic of Srpska, including unemployed, inactive young men and women (15-29), as well as people with disabilities. The activities will contribute to the mobilisation and integration of these persons into the labour market in order to meet the needs of the local economy.

Objectives and expected results

Overall objective: Reducing unemployment through the enhancement of qualifications and the successful integration of the unemployed, with a special focus on harder-to-employ categories, in order to create a more sustainable and inclusive labour market.

Specific objective: Labor market stakeholders continuously work together to implement initiatives aimed at aligning supply and demand in the labor market.

Expected results

1. Capacities of the local employment partnership have been built for defining and implementing employment measures;
2. Enhanced capacities of educational institutions to provide training aligned with the needs of employers;
3. Improved knowledge and skills of unemployed individuals, with support provided for employment after the completion of training;
4. Established mechanism for supporting the creation and development of new businesses, with financial and mentoring support ensured;
5. Local employment policy adopted and implementation initiated in the area of East Sarajevo.

Main activities

- Establishing a functional employment partnership.
- Defining and certifying training programs while building the capacities of the educational institution.
- Defining and implementing training programs to enhance the qualifications of unemployed individuals and facilitate the finding of quality employment.
- Supporting unemployed individuals in starting and developing businesses.
- Creating and implementing an action plan for employment that promotes gender equality and inclusivity in the employment process.

Project Roles

- Lead applicant: City Development Agency East Sarajevo – RAIS;
- Partners: Eda - Enterprise Development Agency, Banja Luka; City of East Sarajevo; Municipality of East New Sarajevo; Municipality of East Ilidža; Public Employment Service of the Republic of Srpska; Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, University of East Sarajevo; Eco Railway Ltd. East Ilidža; Zlatno Zrno SP, East New Sarajevo.

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For more information about the LEP II project, visit www.partnerstvo.ba and social media channels (Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and YouTube).

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