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PUBLIC CALL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, USE AND DESIGN OF THREE MINI HYDRO POWER PLANTS IN ZENICA-DOBOJ CANTON

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management of Zenica-Doboj Canton issued a public call for the design, construction, use and transfer of small hydro power plant of "Zuca rijeka" on the river of Zuca in the Municipality of Kakanj. The power of "Zuca rijeka" is 502 kW .

The call was issued for small hydro power plant of Usce on Mala Rijeka which power is of 185 kW, and small hydro power plant of Marusici on Marusicka rijeka whose power should be 341 kW .

As provided by the tender procedure, the bidder shall prepare and submit the Designing Project for all small hydro power plants and the Study on the economic viability of the concession with the assessment in order to protect the environment.

The Study and Preliminary Design should define all technical parameters and estimated cost of the facilities construction with the duty to mention specific investments in KM / kWh and analysis of the construction justification. "The concession is given in the period of 30 years, starting from the beginning of the production of electricity , but not longer than two years from the date of signing of the Concession Agreement ," it was said in the call.

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The Director of the Foreign Investment Promotion Agency of BiH (FIPA) Jelica Grujic had on 15th January 2014 a meeting with the Croatian Ambassador to BiH, HE Mr Ivan Del Vechio and his associate Mr Stanko Cmrecnjak. They discussed the possibilities of cooperation, organizing business meetings between BiH and Croatian businesspeople during 2014, and the accession of Croatia to the EU and its implications on the economy of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Among others, the Ambassador Del Vechio was interested in the work of the Agency, its competence, the activities of investment projects promotion, and for the situation when it comes to the influx of foreign capital in BiH.

The Directress Grujic spoke about the importance of existing foreign investors in BiH not only for the economy but also for the promotion of our country to other potential foreign investors. During 2014 the activities of FIPA, besides promoting business zones and projects, will be focused on supporting existing investors in order to motivate them to reinvest and invest in some new sectors.

The Directress Grujic also stated that the promotion process conducted by the Agency, as well as establishing new contacts with potential investors, and providing information on BH investment opportunities to the target groups, cannot compensate the shortcomings of the entire system.

It was concluded that only the cooperation of all relevant institutions in BiH can contribute to improving the inflow of foreign capital into the country.

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METALLEGHE COMPANY WILL BUILD A PLANT IN MRKONJIC GRAD



Italian metallurgical company Metalleghe will build in Mrkonjic grad another plant, which will open 100 new jobs.

The new plant of the company in Bosnia and Herzegovina includes new industrial furnace, accompanying equipment and laboratory for the production of the silicon metal and it will be completed within 24 months.

Complete range of final products from this plant will be intended for export.

The project is worth 30 million EUR, and will be supported by the RS government.

Metalleghe company was founded in 1980 in Brescia, and has been operating in BiH from 2004 when it took over the company BSI d.o.o. Jajce.

Metalleghe company produces alloys, coal, products for chemical carburizing and briquettes of iron-alloys for steelworks, smelter and foundry iron.



BIH COMPANIES TO ATTEND IMM COLOGNE FURNITURE FAIR

The BiH Foreign Trade Chamber and BiH Export Promotion Agency (BHEPA), in partnership with the USAID-Sida FIRMA project and the Swiss program for export promotion in EU (SIPPO), organized participation of the BiH companies at international furniture fair IMM COLOGNE.

The following BiH companies will take part at this fair, which will take place from 13th to 19th January: GMP KOMPANI d.o.o. Laktasi, INGRAT d.o.o. Gracanica, IZAZOV d.o.o. Kalesija, MALAGIĆ d.o.o. Zivinice, MOREA d.o.o. Kiseljak, PRAKTIK d.o.o. Vogosca and WOODTEAM d.o.o. Ilijas.

Export of BiH furniture to Germany is constantly growing and has reached 35 per cent of overall export of BiH furniture in the world, making Germany as major BiH export partner. Therefore, IMM COLOGNE is a leading event for promotion of BiH furniture in Germany and the EU.



2014 PRIVATIZATION PLAN OF THE AGENCY FOR PRIVATIZATION OF FBiH



The Federation BiH (FBiH) Government approved in Sarajevo the 2014 Privatization Plan of the Agency for Privatization of FBiH (APF).

The 2014 Privatization Plan includes the following enterprises: Remontni zavod d.d. Travnik, Hidrogradnja d.d. Sarajevo, Šipad export-import d.d. Sarajevo, Fabrika duhana Mostar d.d. Mostar, Energopetrol d.d. Sarajevo, Unis - udružena metalna industrija d.d. Sarajevo, KTK d.d. Visoko, Željezara Zenica d.o.o. Zenica, Agrokomerc d.d. Velika Kladuša, Konfekcija Borac d.d. Travnik and Unis Pretis d.o.o. Vogošća.



CONTRACTS ON INCENTIVES FOR BUSINESS ZONES SIGNED WITH 16 FBiH MUNICIPALITIES

The Federal Minister of Development, Entrepreneurship and Crafts Sanjin Halimovic and representatives of 16 municipalities in the Federation of BiH (FBiH) signed contracts on incentives for the local governments to establish and build business zones in the amount of 1.5 million BAM.

Contracts for incentive funds were signed by mayors and representatives of municipalities: Stolac, Gračanica, Gradacac, Gornji Vakuf-Uskoplje, Novi Travnik, Posušje, Tesanj, Kiseljak, Tuzla, Bosanski Petrovac, Ravno, Tomislavgrad, Orasje, Grude, Doboj Jug and Ilijas.

The Ministry of Development, Entrepreneurship and Crafts of FBiH over the last nine years allocated 14.3 million BAM to encourage local governments to build business zones in order to create the preconditions for the development of small and medium enterprises and to create new jobs in FBiH.



BIH BUSINESSMEN TO VISIT ESEF FAIR IN THE NETHERLANDS



The Foreign Trade Chamber of BiH (VTK), in cooperation with the USAID-SIDA FIRMA Project Bosnia and Herzegovina and BCC - Business Communication Consultancy, organizes the first visit of the BiH businessmen from the metal industry to ESEF Fair, which will be held from 11th to 14th March 2014 in Utrecht (Netherlands), and bilateral meetings with Dutch businessmen.

ESEF represents the largest and most important trade fair of engineering in the Benelux.

The fair is focused on industrial production processes, innovation, and materials for the processing of metals and plastics.

Bilateral meetings will be held in order to connect BiH and Dutch firms and introduce them new technologies and trends in the European market in the metal sector.

Also, a visit is planned to the Fair of Technishow which takes place from March 12 to 13, 2014 as part of ESEF.

Technishow has an emphasis on exposure to the latest equipment, machines, tools and technology for industrial processes.

All companies in the field of metal industries that have an interest to participate in this visit and business meetings can submit the application no later than 24th January 2014.



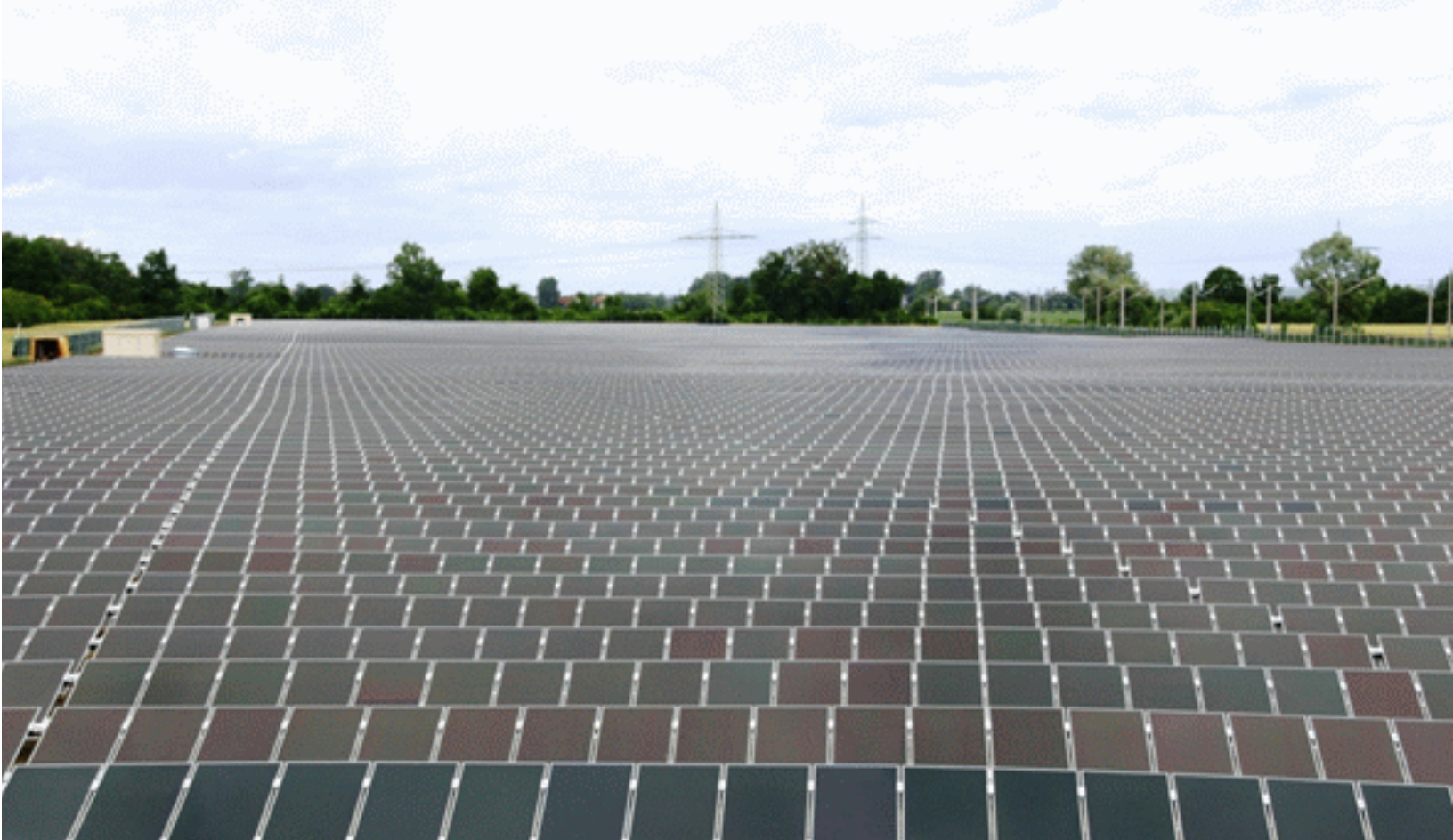
TOBACCO FACTORY OF BANJA LUKA WILL INVEST 8 MILLION EUR

The majority owner of the Tobacco Factory of Banja Luka, "Bulgartabac - "Blagoevgrad BT" AD, plans to invest 8 million EUR to upgrade the factory production facilities and storage.

Bulgartabac - "Blagoevgrad BT" AD bought 70.6% of the Tobacco Factory of Banja Luka shares on 17th September 2013, becoming thus the majority shareholder.

Banja Luka Brewery plans new employment

The Director of Banja Luka Brewery Nicholas Penny has announced new investments in this plant and the possibility for employing new workers.



CONCESSIONS WERE GRANTED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WIND FARM AND SOLAR PARKS



The Government of Zapadna Hercegovina Canton has accepted the report of the Commission for Concessions of ZH Canton on the implemented procedures for granting concessions for the construction of: 1. wind farm at the site "Skradimovac" in the Municipality of Glamoc, and 2. solar parks for production electricity at the sites of Caic, Bila (Brda) and Golinjevo-Misi (Tusnica), in the Municipality of Livno, and has authorized the relevant ministry to sign the concession contract with the companies WBL CITY PROJECT Ltd. Banja Luka and SOLBUS Ltd. Livno.

Co-owner of the company ž WBL CITY PROJECT Ltd. Banja Luka is the Austrian firm AMSM-Bau GesmbH, while the SOLBUS Ltd. Livno is the part of the Chinese company of Hareon Solar Technology Co.

The value of the construction of a wind farm project is about 140 million EUR, and the construction of a solar park is about 500 million EUR.



AUSTRIAN COMPANIES ARE READY TO INVEST 2.5 MILLION EURO IN THE BAUXITE MINE IN BOSANSKA KRUPA

The Group of Austrian investors from different industries (owners and co-owners of factories for aluminium processing, Austrian railways and companies for exploration and research works in mining) are willing to invest in 2014 in research in the areas that have not been researched so far.

If it turns out that bauxite reserves correspond to previous projections of 50 million tons, the investors are ready for further investments in exploitation, even up to a million tons of bauxite annually.

The partners have shown seriousness in work so far, they have registered a company called "Albos".

A working group that will carry out all the procedures required for starting investigation and exploitation of bauxite has been established.

The Municipality of Bosanska Krupa has delegated its members in the working group in order to help the company Albos.

MEETING & EVENTS ≡

January 15

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A map of Europe with white outlines of countries on a blue background. The country of Bosnia and Herzegovina is highlighted with a yellow and blue flag featuring white stars.

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- STRATEGIC LOCATION
- AVAILABLE NATURAL RESOURCES AND BEAUTIES
- LONG TRADITION IN DIFFERENT INDUSTRY BRANCHES
- ABUNDANCE OF INDUSTRIAL ZONE, ATTRACTIVE SITES AND AVAILABLE PRODUCTION FACILITIES
- FAVOURABLE LEGAL ENVIRONMENT
 - LOW TAX RATES
- HIGHLY EDUCATED AND PRICE COMPETITIVE LABOUR FORCE
 - STABLE DOMESTIC CURRENCY BAM PEGGED TO EURO
 - REGIONAL AND BILATERAL FREE TRADE AGREEMENTS
 - EU PERSPECTIVE