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## Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina

## UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

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PSD title: Enhancing Evidence-based Policymaking Project in Bosnia and Herzegovina

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Initial/revised input

**UNDP** 

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## Justification:

The UNCT's Common Country Assessment (2008) identified significant gaps in the government's capacity to improve the quality of its policies and strategies at all levels and in all sectors. The lack of evidence-based policy making in the country stems from a dearth of quality data, weak capacities to interpret the data available, and the failure to effectively incorporate analytical conclusions into policy. Since 2000, UNDP has been making a significant contribution to the promotion of evidence-based policy-making through the regular production of high-quality analytic reports, such as the Early Warning Systems, MDG Reports, National Human Development Reports, and other thematic research publications. Commencing in July 2009, these knowledge products and associated activities were cohered into a single project entitled Enhancing Evidence-based Policy-making in Bosnia & Herzegovina, which is currently due to close in December 2010.

Completed every two years, the NHDRs represent one of the most significant contributions of UNDP to evidence-based policymaking in the country. As such, it is intended that the NHDR 2011, will result in yet another well-received and insightful examination of the state of human development in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Work on the NHDR 2011 will commence in January and the initial phase will be completed by March.

Concurrently, for the past ten years, UNDP BiH has been producing regular Early Warning System reports which in order to improve the capacity of policy and decision makers in Government and the international community for crisis prevention and management. The EWS have been extremely well received by both government and international community and have proven to be usable source of data and reliable analysis and commentary on

the changing political, social and economic context. Moreover, with over 30 reports published over the past decade, the EWS represents an entirely unique longitudinal assessment tool with potential reaching beyond the current uses to which it has been put. In order to complete work on the EWS 2010, as well as potentially initiate work on an EWS 2011, the EEBPM project needs to be extended into early March 2011.

Finally, the EEBPM project was intended to facilitate the improved use of research and analysis by the government in their policymaking endeavours. As such, work on the Paris Declaration Monitoring Survey, commencing in December 2010 and finishing in March 2011, fits within the remit of this project. The work of the Donor Focal Point, who will facilitate and support the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade in their collection and compilation of the PD survey data, will be undertaken under the auspices of the EEBPM project activities.

Given these contributions as well as their position within the overall programmatic vision of UNDP's ongoing contribution to policymaking in Bosnia and Herzegovina, it is therefore necessary to extend the Enhancing Evidence-based Policy-making Project in BiH implementation period until the end of March 2011.

In line with this extension, the overall resources of the project will decrease. The following has been spent so far (2009 and 2010): \$294,532.99 USD. The funds needed for 2011 are \$19,500.00 USD for consultancy services on all three activities outlined above, plus approximately \$15,000 USD for the completion of the EWS 2010 report (local consultancies), to a total of approx \$34,500.00 USD.

On behalf of ONDP Bosnia and Herzegovina

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