

LAW ON AGENCY FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Pursuant to the Article IV 4. a) of the Constitution of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Parliamentary Assembly of BiH, at its 15th Session of the House of Representatives, held on June 27, 2003, and 8th Session of the House of Peoples, held on June 18, 2003, has adopted the following

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I – GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

This law provides for the establishment of the Agency for Labour and Employment of Bosnia and Herzegovina (hereinafter referred to as: Agency) as an independent administrative organization, defines its jurisdiction and other issues of importance for the organization and functioning of the Agency.

Article 2

The Agency performs administrative and other expert affairs in the area of labour and employment as a part of authorities provided by the law, unless the said affairs are in the jurisdiction of the Entities and the Brčko District BiH.

II – AGENCY FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Article 3

Agency has a status of legal entity.

Head office of the Agency is in Sarajevo.

Article 4

Agency has a seal made according to the Law on the Seal of Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina ("Official Gazette of BiH", No.12/98).

Title of the Agency and the State Coat of Arms will be placed at the building where the Agency will be located.

Title of the Agency will be written in Bosnian, Croat and Serb language in Latin and Cyrillic script.

Article 5

Languages officially in use in Bosnia and Herzegovina will be used equally in the work of the Agency.

III – AGENCY'S AUTHORITIES

Article 6

The Agency is authorized to:

a) perform international representation and cooperation with international organizations and perform international obligations in the area of labour and employment;

b) coordinate activities with Entity authorities and Entity Employment Institutes regarding employment in projects of interest for Bosnia and Herzegovina;

c) collect information on offer and needs for labour force in the international market and submit information to the Entity Institutes;

d) initiate making and signing of international contracts in the area of labour, employment and social insurance, and monitor their implementation.

e) monitor the implementation of International Labour Organization Conventions and international standards in the area of labour and employment.

IV – INTERNAL ORGANIZATION

Article 7

Internal organization of the Agency is defined in the Rulebook on Internal Organization adopted by the Director, with the consent of the Council of Ministers.

V – AUTHORITIES, OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE AGENCY'S DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR

Article 8

(1) Director of the Agency manages the Agency's operations.

(2) Director of the Agency represents the Agency, secures and organizes performance of tasks according to the law, adopts by-law when authorized by the law to do so, makes other acts according to the authorities, and takes other measures from the jurisdiction of the Agency.

Article 9

Director of the Agency has a Deputy, who will act as replacement in case of being prevented from performing the function.

Article 10

(1) Director and Deputy Director of the Agency will be appointed by the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina and each will be from a different Entity, based on proposals by the Minister and Deputy Minister of Civil Affairs, having in mind equal representation of all ethnic groups.

(2) Agency's Director and Deputy Director are appointed for a period of 4 years.

Article 11

Agency's Director, in cooperation with the Deputy, will prepare the Rulebook on Internal Organization of the Agency.

VI – AGENCY'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Article 12

(1) Agency has an Advisory Committee.

(2) Agency's Advisory Committee provides:

- Opinion relating to policies of labour, employment and social security adopted by the authority bodies in Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- Recommendations relating to the Agency's Program of activities to be adopted by the Council of Ministers;
- Opinion to the reports submitted according to the Conventions of the International Labour Organization;

- Opinion relation to the Agency's work and recommendations in order to improve the work

Article 13

Agency's Advisory Committee is consisted of one representative for each of the Entity governments and the Brčko District BiH, and three members proposed by the Ministry of Civil Affairs. Agency's Director and Deputy Director, directors of Entity Employment Institutes participate in the work of the Advisory Committee without a decision right on issues concerning the work of the Agency.

Article 14

Advisory Committee adopts the Book of Procedures.

VII – AGENCY'S WORK FINANCING FUNDS

Article 15

Funds necessary for the work of the Agency are defined in the Budget of Institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

VIII – TRANSITORY AND FINAL PROVISIONS

Article 16

Employment Institute of Bosnia and Herzegovina will cease to exist on the date of this Law entering into force.

Article 17

Equipment, archives and property of the Employment Institute of Bosnia and Herzegovina will be taken over by the Agency on the date of this Law entering into force.

Article 18

This Law will enter into force on the eighth day from the date of being published in the "Official Gazette of BiH" and will be published in the official publications of the Entities and the Brčko District BiH.

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Sarajevo
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