



# Bosnia and Herzegovina



**NATIONAL  
FOOTBALL TEAM**

# EUROPE

## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA



## Bosnia and Herzegovina – General Information



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COAT-OF-ARMS

**Population:** 3,701,622

**Area:** 51,197 km<sup>2</sup>, of that the mainland covers in total 51,129 km<sup>2</sup> and the sea 12.2 km<sup>2</sup>

**Capital:** Sarajevo

**Larger cities:** Banja Luka, Zenica, Mostar and Tuzla

**Currency:** Convertible Mark (BAM)

**Official languages:** Bosnian, Serbian, Croatian

Bosnia and Herzegovina is a country in Southeastern Europe, located on the Balkan Peninsula. To the north, west and southwest Bosnia and Herzegovina is bordered by the

Republic of Croatia and to the east and the south by Serbia and Montenegro.

In geography of the largest part of the country's territory prevail mountains and high karst.

Bosnia and Herzegovina has predominantly continental climate, while in the southern part of the country reigns the Mediterranean climate.

The greatest wealth of Bosnia and Herzegovina lies in its forests, crystal clear mountain rivers and natural resources favoring the development of ecotourism and agriculture.



Una river



# Football Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina

**Established:** 1992

**Member of FIFA:** since 1996

**Member of UEFA:** since 1998

**President:** Elvedin Begić

**Secretary General:** Jasmin Baković

**The first match played:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 1995, Tirana, Albania vs. BiH; 2:0 (friendly)

**The first official match played:** 1<sup>st</sup> September 1996, Kalamata, Greece vs. BiH; 3:0 (1998 World Cup Qualifiers)

**Registered players:** 34,834

- Male seniors: 33,172
- Female seniors: 643
- Futsal players: 1,009

**Registered clubs:** 725

- Male football: 661
- Female football: 19
- Futsal: 45

**Referees:** 1,090

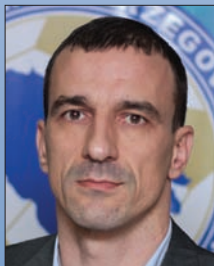


**Ivan Osim**  
President of the  
Mediation and  
Counseling Board

## ■ Leadership of the Football Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina



**Elvedin Begić**  
President



**Darko Ljubojević**  
First Vice-President



**Ivan Beus**  
Second Vice-President



**Jasmin Baković**  
Secretary General

## ■ Head Coach

### Safet Sušić

The Head Coach of the National "A" Team since December 2009 and the first one in the history of Bosnia and Herzegovina who succeeded to ensure qualification of the National Team to the World Cup. In the period between 1972 and 1982 he had played 244 matches, scoring 96 goals for the FC "Sarajevo".

Since 1977 until 1990 he had played 54 matches for the national team of the former Yugoslavia, scoring 21 goals.

He had participated in the 1982 World Cup in Spain, in the 1990 World Cup in Italy, and in the 1984 European



Championship in France. With his club Paris St. Germaine he won the 1985/86 French Championship.

The winner of the 1982/83 French Cup with his club Paris St. Germaine.

The best scorer and player of the Premier League of the former Yugoslavia in the 1979/1980 season.

The best foreign player in France in 1982/83 season.

The supporters of Paris St. Germaine declared him the best foreign player ever in the club's history.

In 2004 he had been declared the best footballer of Bosnia and Herzegovina ever.

## ■ Coaches



### Elvir Baljić

Date of birth: 8<sup>th</sup> July 1974 • Assistant Head Coach of the National "A" Team since January 2010 • 38 appearances for the National "A" Team of B-H



### Borče Sredojević

Date of birth: 1<sup>st</sup> February 1958  
Assistant Head Coach of the National "A" Team since January 2007



### Tomislav Piplica

Date of birth: 5<sup>th</sup> April 1969 • Goalkeepers' Coach • Assistant Head Coach of the National "A" Team since January 2010 • 8 appearances for the National "A" Team of B-H



### Elvir Rahimić

Date of birth: 4<sup>th</sup> April 1976 • Assistant Head Coach of National "A" Team since April 2014 • 40 appearances for the National "A" Team of B-H

# National Football Team



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# National Football Team

## Players / Goalkeepers



### **Asmir Begović**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 20<sup>th</sup> June 1987, Trebinje

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 198/83

**Football Club:** Stoke City F.C. (ENG)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 28\*



### **Jasmin Fejzić**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 15<sup>th</sup> May 1986, Živinice

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 198/95

**Football Club:** VfR Aalen (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 0



### **Asmir Avdukić**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 13<sup>th</sup> May 1981, Breza

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 190/89

**Football Club:** FK Borac Banja Luka (BIH)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 3

\* = number of appearances until April 2014

# of Bosnia and Herzegovina

## Players / Defenders

### Emir Spahić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 18<sup>th</sup> August 1980,  
Dubrovnik (CRO)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 183/77

**Football Club:** Bayer 04 Leverkusen (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 72/3



### Ognjen Vranješ

**Date and Place of Birth:** 24<sup>th</sup> October 1989,  
Banja Luka

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 186/83

**Football Club:** FC Alania Vladikavkaz (RUS)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 11



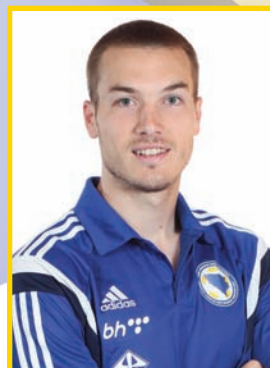
### Toni Šunjić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 15<sup>th</sup> December 1988,  
Mostar

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 192/80

**Football Club:** FC Zorya Luhansk (UKR)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 5



# National Football Team

## Players / Defenders



### **Ervin Zukanović**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 11<sup>th</sup> February 1987,  
Sarajevo

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 188/87

**Football Club:** K.A.A. Gent (BEL)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 6



### **Muhamed Bešić**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 10<sup>th</sup> September 1992,  
Berlin (GER)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 177/77

**Football Club:** Ferencvarosi TC (HUN)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 7



### **Ermin Bičakčić**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 24<sup>th</sup> January 1990,  
Zvornik

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 185/83

**Football Club:** Eintracht Braunschweig (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 7/1

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## Players / Defenders

### Sead Kolašinac

**Date and Place of Birth:** 20<sup>th</sup> June 1993,  
Karlsruhe (GER)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 183/82

**Football Club:** FC Schalke 04 (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 2



# National Football Team

## Players / Midfielders



### **Avdija Vršajević**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 6<sup>th</sup> March 1986, Tešanj

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 182/73

**Football Club:** HNK Hajduk Split (CRO)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 12



### **Senad Lulić**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 18<sup>th</sup> January 1986, Mostar

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 183/78

**Football Club:** S.S. Lazio (ITA)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 31/1



### **Izet Hajrović**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 4<sup>th</sup> August 1991, Brugg (SUI)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 177/83

**Football Club:** Grasshopper CZ (SUI)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 5/1

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## Players / Midfielders

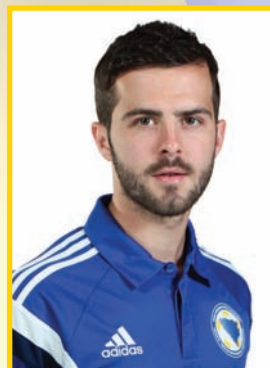
### Miralem Pjanić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1990, Tuzla

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 180/69

**Football Club:** A.S. Roma (ITA)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 46/8



### Sejad Salihović

**Date and Place of Birth:** 8<sup>th</sup> October 1984,  
Zvornik

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 182/82

**Football Club:** TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 40/4



### Senijad Ibričić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 26<sup>th</sup> September 1985,  
Kotor Varoš

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 185/80

**Football Club:** Kayseri Erciyesspor (TUR)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 41/4



# National Football Team

## Players / Midfielders



### Zvezdan Misimović

**Date and Place of Birth:** 5<sup>th</sup> June 1982, Munich (GER)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 180/79

**Football Club:** Guizhou Renhe F.C. (CHN)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 80/26



### Haris Medunjanin

**Date and Place of Birth:** 8<sup>th</sup> March 1985, Sarajevo

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 187/83

**Football Club:** Gaziantepspor (TUR)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 33/5



### Mensur Mujdža

**Date and Place of Birth:** 28<sup>th</sup> March 1984, Zagreb (CRO)

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 184/77

**Football Club:** SC Freiburg (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 22

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## Players / Midfielders

### Anel Hadžić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 16<sup>th</sup> August 1989,  
Velika Kladuša

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 184/73

**Football Club:** SK Sturm Graz (AUT)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 1



### Tino Sven Sušić

**Date and Place of Birth:** 13<sup>th</sup> February 1992,  
Sarajevo

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 186/78

**Football Club:** HNK Hajduk Split (CRO)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national  
team:** 1



# National Football Team

## Players / Attackers



### **Edin Džeko**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 17<sup>th</sup> March 1986,  
Sarajevo

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 192/80

**Football Club:** Manchester City F.C. (ENG)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 60/33



### **Vedad Ibišević**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 6<sup>th</sup> August 1984,  
Vlasenica

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 189/80

**Football Club:** VfB Stuttgart (GER)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 53/20



### **Edin Višća**

**Date and Place of Birth:** 17<sup>th</sup> February 1990,  
Olovo

**Height/weight (cm/kg):** 172/68

**Football Club:** Istanbul BB (TUR)

**Appearances / goals scored for the national team:** 6

# of Bosnia and Herzegovina

## Medical Team



**Reuf  
Karabeg**

Doctor



**Radomir  
Čosović**

Physiotherapist



**Ismar  
Hadžibajrić**

Physiotherapist



**Siniša  
Čebić**

Physiotherapist

# National Football Team

## Technical Unit



**Elmir  
Pilav**

National Team's  
Secretary



**Slavica  
Pecikoza**  
Spokesperson



**Nijaz  
Merdanović**

General Services -  
Logistics



**Almir  
Murtezić**

Marketing Officer



**Igor  
Portner**

Technical Support



**Maja  
Delahmetović**

Administrative Support

# of Bosnia and Herzegovina

## Technical Unit



**Fuad Kečo**

Kit Man



**Adem Đipa**

Kit Man



**Admir Zaimović**

Kit Man



**Adnan Džemidžić**

Ticketing Manager



**Žarko Laketa**

Security Officer



**Mirsad Čatić**

Security Officer

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Estadio do Maracana - Rio De Janeiro



Arena Pantanal - Cuiaba



Arena Fonte Nova - Salvador

## Group F

Argentina

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Iran

Nigeria

## SCHEDULE:

15<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Rio De Janeiro

**ARG - BiH** \_ : \_

16<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Curitiba

**IRA - NIG** \_ : \_

21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

Belo Horizonte

**ARG - IRA** \_ : \_

21<sup>st</sup> June 2014

Cuiaba

**NIG - BiH** \_ : \_

25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Porto Alegre

**NIG - ARG** \_ : \_

25<sup>th</sup> June 2014

Salvador

**BiH - IRA** \_ : \_

# Tourist attractions in Bosnia and

Throughout Bosnia and Herzegovina there are many fascinating destinations that may satisfy any kind of tourists. Here one gets the best of everything. The most interesting and attractive places in Bosnia and Herzegovina are an enchanting fusion of cultural and natural heritage. It is almost impossible to separate them, since the culture and tradition of this country had flourished exactly thanks to the wonderful and intact nature.



## 1. Baščaršija of Sarajevo (Ottoman Period City)

Some visitors may find difficult to pronounce the name Baščaršija, but it is indeed worth trying, since Baščaršija surely represents one of the most impressive and charming shopping amenities in the country. Baščaršija had been a place for trading and meeting as early as from the XV century, since the caravans from Asia, Dubrovnik and West used to meet here to trade their goods.



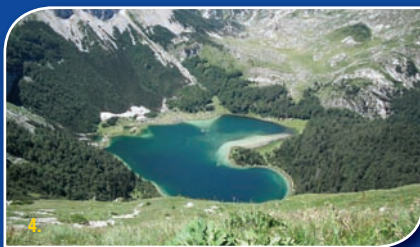
## 2. The Old Bridge in Mostar

The Old Bridge is perhaps the most representative example of the Ottoman creativity and Dalmatian stone-laying in the Western Balkans. This wonderful stone structure not only links the western and eastern banks of the emerald green river Neretva, but it also symbolizes a crossroad of the eastern and western civilizations.



## 3. Sunny Adriatic Coastal Town Neum

Notwithstanding its being only a tiny corner of the beautiful Adriatic Coast, Neum has become a famous coastal resort. Ideally situated between Split and Dubrovnik, and very close to Mostar and Međugorje, Neum is a very affordable place offering sun, fun and entertainment.



## 4. National Park Sutjeska

Famous for a great WW II Sutjeska Battle when the partisans had defeated the outnumbering German Army, this Park is also a home of one of the last virgin forests – Perućica. Together with the highest mountain peak in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Maglić, 2,386 m), this is a paradise for mountaineers, hikers and admirers of nature.



## 5. Međugorje Pilgrimage Site

In the early 1980s several teenagers witnessed the Virgin Mary's apparition. Ever since this, once dormant town in Herzegovina has been increasingly becoming one of the most visited catholic pilgrimage sites.



## 6. Tekke (Blagaj)

This XVI century Dervish tekke symbolizes a harmonious coexistence of man and nature. This amazing edifice was built in immediate vicinity of the largest river spring in Herzegovina flowing out of a cave and rising from depth of 200 meters.

## 7. Mt. Jahorina

XIV Winter Olympic Games Sarajevo had been over long ago, but the slopes are still there, just like Olympic style skiing is. Mt. Jahorina made a remarkable comeback as the best ski center in the South-Eastern Europe. Super skiing. Super accommodation. Super entertainment. And all this within short driving distance from the capital Sarajevo.

# Herzegovina – A Heart-Shaped Country



## 8. Mt. Bjelašnica

This Olympic mountain is also awakening swiftly. It used to be a venue for male slalom competitions and the most challenging ski trail in the country. In addition to this, there are also those less visited trails, but exactly because of that, those are perfect cross country and hiking paths, doable all the year round, for cycling and rural tourism in the traditional mountainous villages.



## 9. Town Travnik

Famous for the Nobel award writer Ivo Andrić, this Ottoman town is still the best representation of what once was called the Istanbul of Europe. The old mosque and the fortress adorning the celestial scenery are as impressive as the Bosnian architecture is in its full originality, attributing particular charm to this town. Not far from Travnik there is a ski resort Vlačić – a snowboarders' paradise and place where the amazing landscapes may be enjoyed.



## 10. Kravice Waterfalls

The Trebižat River had created an awesome green belt in the midst of karst landscape in the Western Herzegovina. This breathtaking water arch, exceeding 100 meters in width, is precipitating off the 26 meter high elevation, thus creating an amazing scene accompanied by a very loud roaring and dew-dropping rain. The Kravice Waterfalls is a perfect place for picnic or swimming and offers one of the most picturesque landscapes in Herzegovina.



## 11. Tvrdoš Monastery

Tvrdoš is a XIV century Orthodox monastery situated nearby wonderful towns of Trebinje and Dubrovnik. Its frescoes belong among the first-rate ones in this area, while the Monastery treasures several precious V and VI century icons.



## 12. Town Kraljeva Sutjeska

This ancient little town, as the last seat of the medieval Bosnian Kingdom is the bastion of the old Bosnian history. A visit to the medieval fortress, Franciscan Monastery and one of the oldest mosques in the country is offering a unique and rare experience hard to find these days elsewhere in Europe.



## 13. Town Jajce and Pliva Lake

Famous for its massive waterfall adorning the heart of the town, Jajce also represents a multifaceted history of this area – from the remnants of the Illyrians and Romans to spectacular Bosnian and Ottoman edifices. The Pliva Lake also offers opportunities for high quality fly fishing and many other water sports activities.





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