

GCERF in Bosnia and Herzegovina

GCERF-funded programmes aim to 1) **build the capacity** of national and local institutions and frontline practitioners working on Rehabilitation and Reintegration (R&R) and PVE; 2) **improve strategic communications** on R&R within institutions and to the public; 3) **increase social cohesion and community agency** to create an enabling environment for R&R of returnees.

Portfolio overview as of January 2023

Active grants

Atlantic Initiative

2022-24 | Direct Grant

- ❖ Re-establishing and strengthening mobile teams mandated to implement R&R and PVE at the federal and cantonal level;
- ❖ Encouraging constructive media coverage on R&R and PVE
- ❖ Strengthening the capacities of civil society organisations (CSOs).



Current investment

- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Sarajevo canton
- Tuzla canton
- Zenica-doboj canton
- Una-Sana canton
- Central Bosnia canton

Investment started: 2022
 Investment to date: USD 0.5 million
 Current investment: USD 0.5 million
 Active grants: 1

Current Programming: Systems Approach






National: Re-establishing federal mobile teams mandated with R&R and building their capacity; revising the communications strategy on R&R and PVE.

Cantons: Establishing local mobile teams in cantons where returnees live

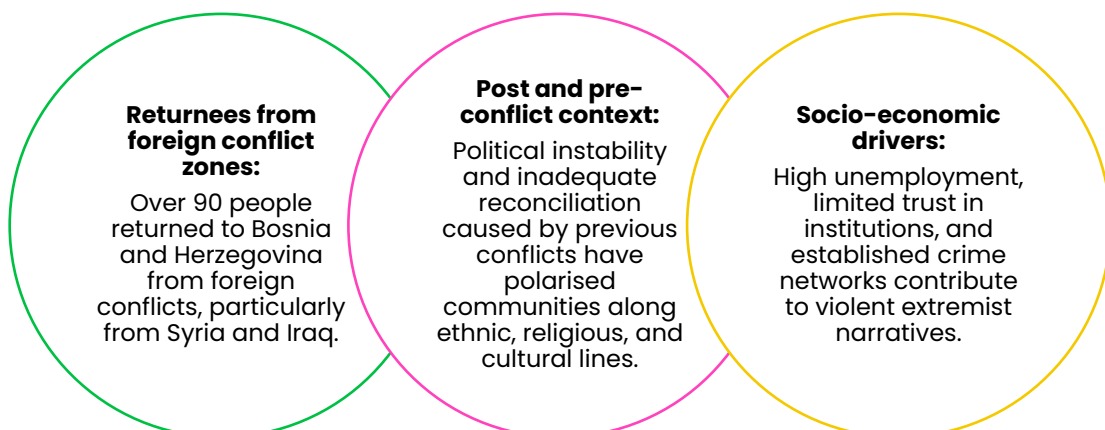
Community: Building the capacity of local CSOs to contribute to PVE and R&R; training journalists to report on security-sensitive topics.

Individual: individual support will be provided through additional grants.

Investment Focus

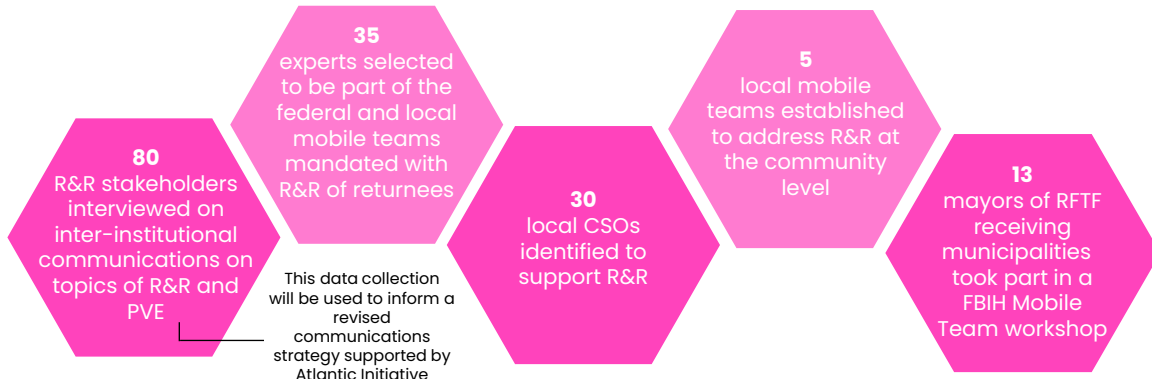
-  Community-based rehabilitation and reintegration of returnees
-  Cantons of Sarajevo, Tuzla, Zenica-Doboj, Una-Sana, and Central Bosnia.
-  R&R and PVE practitioners at the local, cantonal and federal level; local media actors, CSOs
-  2022-2024
-  GCERF in Bosnia and Herzegovina works with the Ministry of Security.

Violent Extremism in Bosnia and Herzegovina: Drivers



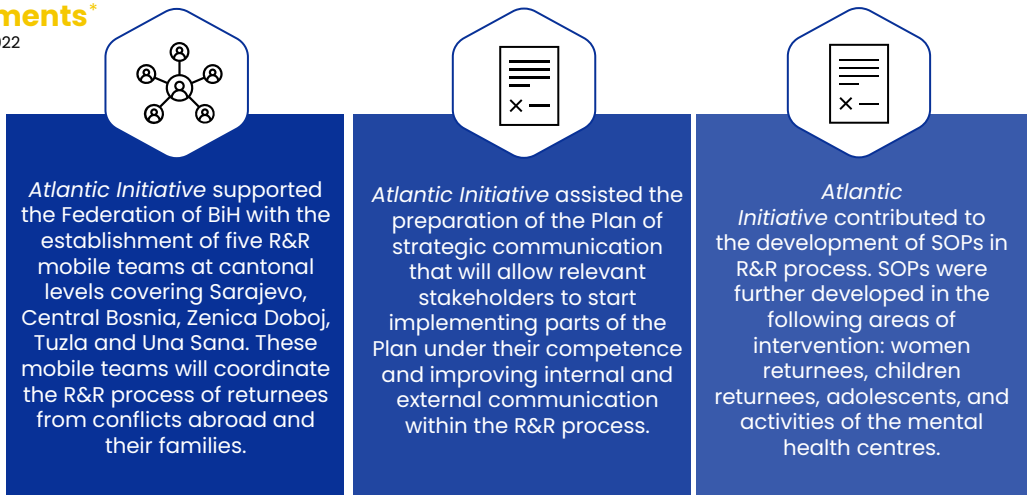
Key Outputs*

* March – December 2022



Key achievements*

* March – December 2022



Atlantic Initiative supported the Federation of BiH with the establishment of five R&R mobile teams at cantonal levels covering Sarajevo, Central Bosnia, Zenica Dobo, Tuzla and Una Sana. These mobile teams will coordinate the R&R process of returnees from conflicts abroad and their families.

Atlantic Initiative assisted the preparation of the Plan of strategic communication that will allow relevant stakeholders to start implementing parts of the Plan under their competence and improving internal and external communication within the R&R process.

Atlantic Initiative contributed to the development of SOPs in R&R process. SOPs were further developed in the following areas of intervention: women returnees, children returnees, adolescents, and activities of the mental health centres.



GCERF's Added Value



GCERF focuses on building institutional capacity e.g., CSOs, and government agencies.

GCERF invests in building a PVE-focused community of practice with CSOs, government agencies, and experts

Communities are at the **forefront of project design and implementation**, and the programme works with existing community structures for sustainability

All project design and implementation are done in coordination with **nationally-aligned**, locally-led programmes

GCERF connects CSOs, communities, and other stakeholders with government and security actors, leading to **better coordination** and relationships

GCERF's consortium model and capacity-building approach enables us to work **across the country**

Find out more about becoming an investor, our work, and the collective impact we make at: www.gcerf.org
contact.wb@gcerf.org

