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***Annual reporting by Ministerial priority:
Progress on the Roadmap for the implementation of the 2021 UfM Ministerial
Declaration on SBE – Bosnia and Herzegovina***

Major updates on progress at national level on the implementation of the 2021 UfM Ministerial Declaration on SBE

- **Integrated Energy and Climate Plan (NECP) for BiH for the period up to 2030**
- **2030 energy and climate BiH targets defined**
- **Integrated approach**
- **National Determined Contribution (NDC 3.0) under preparation**
- **National Adaptation Plans (NAP) prepared and adopted**
- **Framework Energy Strategy until 2035, with the aim of developing a Long-term strategy to 2050.**
- **Establishment of an MRV system for integrated energy and climate reporting**



Initiatives at national (and sub-national) level within the implementation of the 2021 UfM Ministerial Declaration on SBE

Ministerial Declaration Priorities	Initiatives at national/sub-national level
Food from sea: fisheries and aquaculture	-
Sustainable, climate-neutral and zero-pollution transport and ports	In the NECP, targets are set for the share of renewable energy in the transport sector, including the planned introduction of e-mobility and the limited use of hydrogen by 2030.
Coastal and Maritime Tourism	-
Marine Renewable Energies	In the NECP, Bosnia and Herzegovina's target for renewable energy sources (RES) is set at a total share of 43.62 %
Interactions between marine litter and the blue economy	-
Maritime safety and security of blue economy activities	-
Marine research and innovation, skills, careers and employment	-
Maritime Spatial Planning and Integrated Coastal Zone Management	-



Open questions

1 – Related to the priority on Governance and the future of sea basin strategies in the Mediterranean region: **Is there any overarching blue economy strategy in your country? Or any process initiated leading to the elaboration of such a strategy?** **We do not have one yet, but activities are currently underway to update Bosnia and Herzegovina's Framework Energy Strategy until 2035, with the aim of developing a Long-term strategy to achieve climate neutrality by 2050. This strategy will cover all five dimensions defined by the NECP and determine the optimal path for BiH in this highly challenging process.**

2 – Related to the priority on Sustainable investments in the blue economy: **is there any national funding/financing scheme related to the blue economy (or any of its sectors) promoted by your country? If yes, please specify.**

NO

3 - **What are the main challenges, issues or bottlenecks for the implementation of the SBE Ministerial Declaration in your country?**

The main challenges for the implementation of the SBE Ministerial Declaration in Bosnia and Herzegovina relate to the country's complex institutional setup, which involves multiple levels of government – municipal, cantonal, entity, and state. Strengthening inter-institutional coordination and cooperation is essential to ensure effective implementation.