

## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Name of Regulatory Authority : Official name: Regulatorna agencija za komunikacije  
Official translation: Communications Regulatory Agency  
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### Basis for operation

Legal framework : Law of Communications of Bosnia and Herzegovina  
General remit :  TV  radio  networks and infrastructures  
 others (please specify): Telecommunications

Funding mechanisms :  licence fee  industry fee  state budget  
 mixed funding (please specify):  
 other (please specify): donations

The Agency is founded by the Licence Fees, but the budget of the Agency is adopted by its Council, and has to be approved by the executive and legislative bodies, as part of the State budget

### Composition

Number of members: Term of office: years Re-election possible:   
Proposal of members: *At present, the members of the Council of the Agency, which is its governing body, are appointed by the High Representative (the highest authority of the international community) until the end of 2004. After this, the procedure for appointment of the Council members according to the Law on Communications will be applied.*

Appointment of members:

*That procedure states that the Council of the Agency shall consist of seven (7) members nominated by the Council of Ministers (executive government) on the basis of a list of candidates submitted by the present Council of the Agency that shall comprise twice as many candidates as posts available, and appointed by the Parliament of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Members of the Council of the Agency shall be appointed in their personal capacity as individuals with exceptional legal, economic, technical or other relevant expertise and experience for the fields of telecommunications and/or broadcasting for a term of four (4) years and may be re-appointed only once.*

Revocation of mandate possible:  based on: <please state the possible reasons for revocation of the mandate>

Number of staff: 81

Chairman:

Director General: Kemal Huseinovic

Vice Chairman:

Please describe your authority's structure if it doesn't have a board:

1. Enforcement Panel (a collective body comprised of outside experts that meets 4 times a year and decides on breaches of Rules and Regulations. At the end of 2004, this body will cease to exist, and, at present, there is discussion as to how this aspect of work will be organised in future)
2. Director General
3. Broadcast Division
4. Telecommunications Division
5. Frequency Spectrum
6. Research department
7. Public Affairs department
8. Finance department
9. Administration department
10. Regional office Mostar
11. Regional office Banja Luka

## Competences

		national	regional	local
Granting of licences	terrestrial analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	terrestrial digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	WILL BE IN FUTURE	<input type="checkbox"/>
	satellite analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	satellite digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	WILL BE IN FUTURE	<input type="checkbox"/>

cable analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
cable digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	WILL BE IN FUTURE	<input type="checkbox"/>
others(please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

GRANTING OF LICENCES FOR ALL USERS OF SPRECTRUM, FROM PMR TO MILITARY, ETC .

in the areas where your authority is not competent to grant licences, please specify the authority in charge:

Please add any other relevant information:

Granting of registrations

terrestrial analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
terrestrial digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
satellite analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
satellite digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
cable analogue broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
cable digital broadcasters	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
others(please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

in the areas where your authority is not competent to grant registrations, please specify the authority in charge:

REGISTRATIONS IN RELATION TO DIGITAL BROADCASTING HAVE NOT BEEN DISCUSSED YET, BUT WILL BE MOST PROBABLY ADOPTED ON THE LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT, IN COOPERATION WITH THE AGENCY

Please add any other relevant information:

Frequency allocation

Supervision of

private broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
public broadcasters	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
others :	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATORS AND ALL OTHER USERS OF FREQUENCY SPECTRUM

Handling complaints

Sanctioning

- issue warning       impose fine       demand to broadcast announcement
- revoke licence       suspend licence       reduction in the licensing period
- suspend a programme / broadcast
- other (please specify):

Rule making

codes

rules (please specify):

RULES IN RELATION TO USAGE OF ADVERTISEMENT TIME ON PUBLIC BROADCASTERS, RULES ON METHODS OF ALLOCATION OF LICENCES, RULES ON ADVERTISEMENT, RULES ON DEFINITIONS OF OBLIGATIONS OF PUBLIC BROADCASTING

other (please specify):

Consultative powers

please specify the areas covered:

Power of nomination  
(e.g. chairman of  
PSB)

please specify:

Monitoring

programming

financial performance

others (please specify):

TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE WITH TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LICENCE

others

Please specify:

Please add any information you deem important:

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<sup>i</sup> By "licence fee" we refer to the public service licence fee usually paid by the entire population, whereas the term "industry fee" implies all those funding mechanisms based on a contribution from broadcasters themselves, including, for example, licensing fees (i.e. an amount of money that is paid by the broadcaster for it to be able to carry out its broadcasting operations) and frequency taxes.