



## Bosnia, from Dayton to Europe

Madrid, 10th November 2015

Sala de Juntas, Facultad de CC Políticas y Sociología,  
Campus de Somosaguas  
Universidad Complutense, Madrid (UCM)

### Context

The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Dayton Agreement, which ended the war in Bosnia-Herzegovina, will take place in November 2015. The institutional framework set by the Agreement aimed at guaranteeing peace and the collective interests of three ethnic groups – Bosnians, Serbs and Croats; however, the result has been a weak state, with enormous difficulties to apply the reforms that would allow for a stable and prosperous future.

Frustration about social, political and economic stalemate and the lack of perspectives, have led to demonstrations and protests in the last months. Meanwhile, the “promise” of a future within the European Union is still the only common point of the different political and ethnic parties.

Despite the geographical distance and the little historical tradition between Spain and the Balkans, Spain has had a special relationship with Bosnia-Herzegovina for the last two decades, be it in the military, the humanitarian or the diplomatic fields.

The purpose of this seminar is to draw a balance of these last 20 years, and, mostly, to try to make an analysis of the possible paths for the future, including the EU perspective.

### 09:00 Welcome

**Heriberto Cairo**, Dean, Facultad de CC Políticas y Sociología

### 9:15 Presentation

**Michael Ehrke**, Director, Madrid Office, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, Madrid

**Cristina Manzano**, Director, esglobal, Madrid

**Ruth Ferrero**, Academic Coordinator



**09:30 Opening remarks**

**Presentation: Esther del Campo**, Director, ICEI, UCM

**Speaker: Darko Zelenika**, Ambassador Bosnia-Herzegovina, Spain

**09:30- 11:00**

**The Dayton Agreements. What they meant for Bosnia. Consequences. Constitutional stagnation.**

**Gorana Mlinarevic**, Sociology Department, Goldsmiths, University of London.

**Carlos Flores Juberías**, Professor, Constitutional Law, Universidad de Valencia

Moderator: **Sonia Andolz**, Universidad Nebrija

**11:00-11:30 Coffee break**

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**Transitional justice**

**Dino Abazovic**, Director of the Human Rights Center, University of Sarajevo

**Iavor Rangelov**, Global Security Research Fellow - London School of Economics, Co-Chair of the London Transitional Justice Network

Moderator: **Franciso de Borja Lasheras**, Associate Director, ECFR Madrid, former member OSCE in BH, Madrid

**13:00-14:15**

**Social movements**

**Miguel Rodríguez Andreu**, Editor, *Balkania*, author *Anatomía Serbia*

**Meliha Bajramovic**, Plenum, Zenica

Moderator: **Ruth Ferrero**, Prof. Political Science, UCM/UC3M and Senior Researcher at ICEI

**14:15-15:00 Lunch**



**15:00-16:30**

**The European perspective for Bosnia**

**Othon Anastasakis**, Director, South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX), St Antony's College, University of Oxford

**Ruth Ferrero**, Prof. Political Science, UCM/UC3M and Senior Researcher at ICEI

Moderator: **María Pallares**, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung

**16:30- 17:00 Closing remarks**

**Presentation: Paloma Román Marugán**, Head of Political Science and Administration Dpt II., Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociología, UCM

**Carlos Westendorp**, Secretary General Club de Madrid, former High Representative for Bosnia-Herzegovina, UN

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