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Project name	Bihać Airport - construction of an airport in the suburbs of the city of Bihać (Golubić)
Sector	Tourism / Air traffic
Location	Bihać
Location description	Golubičko polje (Golubić Field) is suitable for the construction of a regional airport with a maximum runway length of 2,450 m, an optimal width of 45 m and a maximum load of 80 tons. Currently, at the location of the future airport there is a sports airfield with a grass runway 1200 m long, hangars, infrastructure facilities that are set up for sports aircrafts. There is a constructed access road to the location of the airport which is fenced.
Project status	In implementation. So far finalised: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Feasibility study - Declared public interest - Land acquisition for most of the area - Preliminary Design - Environmental and water permits obtained - Development of an aeronautical study is underway
Project background	The first phase of the project preparation was development of project documents and the establishment of the Public Company "Airport Bihać" in 2016. The city initiated this project due to its exceptional importance for the development of

	<p>tourism and business of the city of Bihać, the Una Sana Canton and neighbouring regions in Croatia. The airport will be the best connection between Western European tour operators and this part of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Lika region in Croatia. These tourist and business markets represent a very dynamic economic category with great opportunities in terms of existing business relationships with companies from Bihać.</p>
Project description	<p>The implementation of this project will bring better traffic connection for the city of Bihać and other municipalities of the Una Sana Canton not only with the EU, but also with other countries in the region, as well as with the rest of the state of BiH. The need to build an airport in the Una Sana Canton is important not only from the aspect of business connections and health services, but also from the aspect of tourism development as a generator of economic development and one of BiH's strategic priorities for the Una Sana Canton cities and the city of Bihać. The airport will greatly improve the level of attractiveness of tourist destinations and their amenities in this area and provide better traffic connection to the accommodation facilities in the area for tourist and primarily for those from neighbouring countries.</p> <p>The investment project comprises the construction of runway, light navigation, buildings, control tower and fence, traffic connection with parking lot and infrastructure.</p> <p>The airport is planned for the following types of aircrafts: passenger, cargo, business, sports, school and ultralight aircrafts, gliders, balloons, helicopters.</p> <p>The potential target market of the airport and its commercial, scheduled and charter air traffic includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. City of Bihać (61,186 inhabitants) 2. Una Sana Canton (approximately 300,000 inhabitants) 3. Low cost airlines, tour operators, production companies, private and other owners of business, tourist planes and gliders 4. Northwestern region of Bosnia and Herzegovina, part of Croatia (especially Plitvice Lakes and the Lika region), a large diaspora that originates from this region and lives in Europe, the US and other countries 5. Parachuting activities <p>Advantages:</p> <p>In the region there are no other airports of this size, capacity and type</p> <p>Proximity to the National Park "Plitvice Lakes" which has 1.3 million visitors per season</p>
Estimated total value of investment in EUR	60,000,000
Form of cooperation with partner	<p>The project requires cooperation with the Government of the Federation of BiH and the Institutions of BiH, such as BHANSA, BHDC, etc.</p> <p>Cooperation with the private business sector is certainly needed as one of the investment modalities is a public-private partnership.</p>
Additional information	<p>For additional information about this project, please contact the City of Bihać by e-mail: kabinet@bihac.org or phone: +387 037 229 605</p>