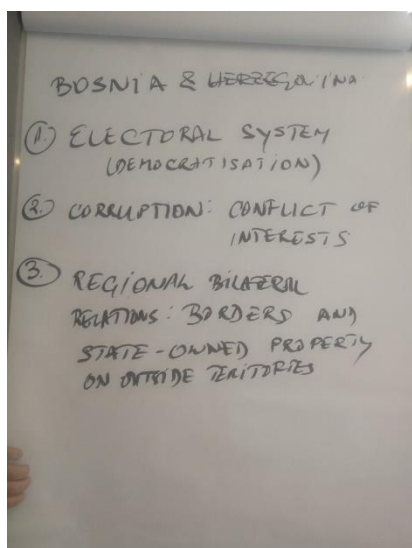




EU Mentorship, Module I, Vienna, Austria (7th to 9th June, 2019)

On June 7th, all participants gathered at the Leto restaurant to get to know each other in an informal setting. The dinner was an excellent opportunity to start a conversation and to talk about the expectations of participants regarding the EU Mentorship Module I in Vienna that was in front of them. It also helped develop a feeling of cohesion and unity between participants, which has served them well in the training, especially because the EU integrations is, and was perceived by them, as a journey they are all going through.

The training was lead by Robert Farla (Coordinator Diplomatic Network, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs) from D66 International and Teresa Reiter (Policy Advisor for EU affairs, foreign policy, defence, migration and development cooperation), from Neos lab and it was heavily focused on



gaining first-hand knowledge about EU integration processes and solutions to the problems in several areas such as environment, education, EU funds etc.

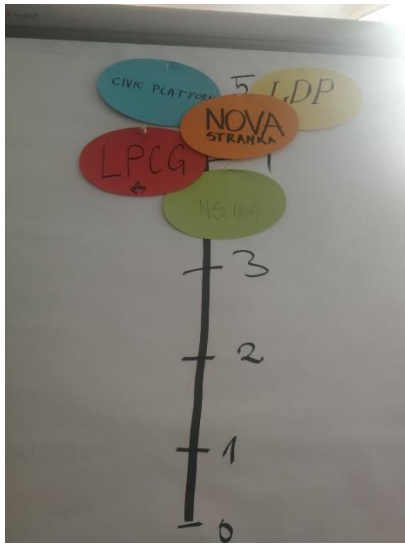
The first part of the day, in which the programme was headed by Mr Farla, was dealing with the complexity of EU Institutions, their roles and functions as well as the position of Western Balkans countries in the EU integration process.

The second part of the programme, in which Ms Teresa Reiter was involved the most, was focused on the accession process and the individual party programme. The idea of the workshop was how to develop and best implement the party programme which would prove its relevance in EU integration of each country.

Discussion and wrap up at the end of the first day was done by the Ms Anela Lemes and Ms Jasmina Mrso, both from the Boris Divkovic Foundation. Apart from the summation of the most important conclusion, space was given to all of the participants to ask questions from their party and country perspective and clarify the direct connection between the EU, EU integration process and the region.

“What instruments are there for the rule of law”, was the topic that started the second day of the training and was headed by Mr Farla. The workshop pinned down concrete instruments that the parties should be mindful of, continuously use and lobby for as part of their country programme.

After the continuation of the topic “Accession part and your party programme”, one more discussion and wrap up that dealt with the entire programme, the training ended with a group lunch.



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3. FREEDOM OF MEDIA AND EXPRESS
3. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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1. ECONOMY: TAX REFORM, INVESTMENTS
2. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
3. JUDICIAL SYSTEM