

# CONNECTING FOR SOLUTIONS



## “Connecting for Solutions”

### Project Summaries

The EBRD, in cooperation with the Paris Peace Forum, is delighted to present for the first time an exhibition that demonstrates how civil society is solving regional and global challenges. Selected CSO exhibitors will showcase how they are solving problems, together with governments and the private sector. Explore and connect to become part of our new initiative to promote exchange and dialogue between different partners!

Join us on 8 and 9 May, from 9:00 until 17:00,  
at the Parliamentary Assembly Building, Level 1 Networking Area

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#### **Embark (A Paris Peace Forum project)**

Embark works towards a future where refugees are well integrated into their communities and acknowledged as vital parts of local economies. How? By providing a ‘reverse mentoring’ service that connects talented refugees with senior business leaders. Join us to find out how your company could benefit from such a service.

#### **Synopia (A Paris Peace Forum project)**

Inequalities are growing, in real terms and in our perception. So how can companies do their part to better share their produced value with their various stakeholders? By adopting Synopia’s “Four Leaf Label”, businesses can easily conceptualise their value-sharing, with one specific aim in mind: redefining a better-balanced social contract.

#### **Bhcrafts – Bosnian Handicrafts**

For the past 24 years, Bhcrafts has worked to bring women from communities across Bosnia and Herzegovina together to train them in producing traditional handicrafts. Learn more about how their approach to economic empowerment has led to innovative partnerships with businesses – and how you can become involved.

#### **Centre for Civil Society Promotion**

Social enterprises are inclusive incubators of the ‘good economy’, but are still underdeveloped in Bosnia and Herzegovina. To support the emergence of innovative ideas, the Centre of Civil Society Promotion has developed a SMART Hub with tools and resources for social entrepreneurs. Connect to find out how the Centre’s Hub can help you develop your ideas.

### **Farm Animal Investment Risk & Return Initiative (FAIRR)**

Antibiotics misuse not only presents a systemic risk to public health, but also to investment portfolios. FAIRR works closely with investors to identify risks and opportunities in the global food supply chain, in order to drive antibiotics stewardship and combat antimicrobial resistance. Connect to find out how well your business is prepared, and what best practices you can follow.

### **Mozaik Foundation**

Youth can be a force that creates new social and economic value, jobs, and serves as a role model. Mozaik Foundation, a leading impact investor in the Western Balkans, seeks to lead on the development of this generation through identifying, empowering and investing in young, value-driven social entrepreneurs. Connect to find out how you can support youth together with Mozaik Foundation.

### **National Alliance for Local Economic Development (NALED)**

Many local governments in the Western Balkans struggle to create a favourable business environment in line with best practices. NALED's Business Friendly Certification Programme in South-East Europe works with municipalities across the region to introduce a joint standard for the services and information offered to companies. Become part of the network at the exhibition.

### **Needs Map**

Sharing goods and services with those who need them has a long tradition in Turkey, but there can often be a mismatch between needs and supplies in local communities. Needs Map tackles this issue by enabling stakeholders - local authorities, companies, individuals and CSOs - to list their needs and match them with supporters on a social marketplace platform.

### **Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO)**

Youth in the West Balkans should participate in creating a culture of mobility, intercultural exchange and reconciliation in the region. Join the exhibition to find out how RYCO, an independent mechanism set up by governments in the Western Balkans, aims to promote this spirit among youth, and how it works with young people to facilitate dialogue and cooperation.

### **Save the Children International**

Skills mismatch is a major problem for young people looking for work in Bosnia and Herzegovina - and for companies seeking to fill vacancies. Save the Children addresses this together with local and international partners by delivering the ENABLE BiH programme, designed to provide young people with the skills and competences necessary to grow the local knowledge-based economy.

### **SHURA Energy Transition Center**

Solar and wind energy sources depend on the weather, but grid integration solutions can help balance this effect. But grid integration requires efforts from both the private and public sector. SHURA works closely with both to ensure that grid integration is effective, attractive to private investors and addresses the needs of both large and small players in Turkey.

### **Transparency International Ukraine**

Public procurement is not always as transparent as it should be. This is why Transparency International Ukraine developed DOZORRO, an innovative tool that enables anyone - the supplier,

the procuring entity, the controlling agency or any citizen – to detect and counteract corruption practices in public procurement. Join us to find out how to become a part of this initiative.

**World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)**

Freshwater resources are increasingly strained due to growing demand and climate change. This is why WWF, in partnership with the German Development Finance Institution DEG, has developed the Water Risk Filter, an online tool that empowers companies and financial institutions to assess and respond to water risks in their operations, supply chains and investments.