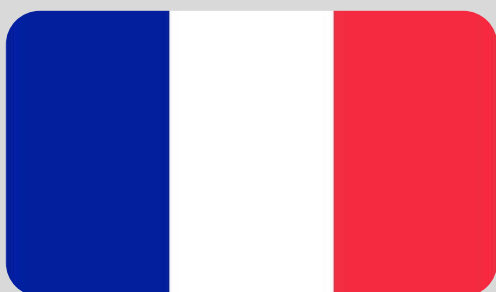


ERASMUS+ REPORT

KEY-ACTION 171

BOSNIA-HERZEGOVINA



Programs 2019-2022 & 2022-2025

GENERAL INFORMATION

Higher Education mobility projects « **Key-Action 171** » aim to develop student and staff exchanges for learning purposes with partner universities outside the European Union. These mobilities are financially supported by the **Erasmus + program**.

In **2019**, the University of Technology of Belfort-Montbéliard was selected to develop a mobility program with **Bosnia-Herzegovina**. This program was extended in **2022**.



PROJECT DURATION

August 1, 2019 – July 31, 2022

Extended until July 31, 2025



2 PARTNER UNIVERSITIES

Internacionalni Univerzitet u Sarajevu (IUS)

Univerzitet u Sarajevu



SUBJECT AREA

Engineering (0710)

Computer Science (0610)



**INTERNATIONAL
UNIVERSITY OF SARAJEVO**

KEY FIGURES*



89 MOBILITIES



66 MOBILITIES FOR STUDIES



31 mobilities Bosnia > France



35 mobilities France > Bosnia



15 STAFF TEACHING TRAINING (STT)



9 mobilities Bosnia > France



6 mobilities France > Bosnia



8 STAFF TEACHING ASSIGNMENTS (STA)



4 mobilities Bosnia > France



4 mobilities France > Bosnia

*Figures as of February 3, 2025

TESTIMONIES



“ Belfort was a **life-changing experience** for me. I had the pleasure of meeting people from different cultures and lifestyles through my colleagues, who became lifelong friends. Attending UTBM was an **eye-opening experience**, as I saw how

learning can be engaging and how knowledge can be applied across various fields. Belfort gave me new perspectives, new plans, and new opportunities. What I loved the most about the city was its **excellent connectivity** to other places, allowing me the privilege of visiting cities in France, Switzerland, and Germany. Experiencing the way people live—from their traditions to the well-organized systems they follow—was truly amazing. I would encourage everyone to have the courage to step out of their comfort zone and **embrace this kind of life-changing experience at least once in their lives.** ”

Tinjak AMAR, student at **University of Sarajevo**, who came on a exchange semester at UTBM in **Spring 2024**.

TESTIMONIES

“ Before arriving in Sarajevo, I didn't really know much about the history of Bosnia. As soon as I set foot in the country, I was struck by the landscapes, so different from those in France. The city's **rich cultural mix** can be seen in its architecture. Some parts of the city still bear the scars of the Yugoslav war. I attended classes at IUS, where the other Erasmus students and **I were warmly welcomed** by the students and staff. During the semester, I was able to learn the basics of Bosnian, which enabled me to communicate easily with shopkeepers and people I came across. There is a very international dimension to Sarajevo, which makes it easy to build friendships. As well as being a very interesting country, **the scenery is well worth a visit!** Sarajevo is surrounded by mountains, making it easy to hike in the surrounding area. Travelling in the Balkans is easy and cheap, so we were able to visit the whole region throughout the semester. This Erasmus was **one of the most memorable experiences of my life!** ”



Marine BOISSIERE, student at **UTBM** who went on an exchange semester at International University of Sarajevo (IUS) in **Spring 2022**.

TESTIMONIES

“ This mobility enabled us to **consolidate and develop our exchanges** with IUS (International University of Sarajevo) and the University of Sarajevo. Meetings with the teaching staff, presentations of the courses and visits of the laboratories showed the **coherence of our programs** in order to establish and organize students mobilities at different level of study. We were also able to offer to host teaching, research and administrative staff within the same Erasmus framework, some of whom **have since accepted the invitation!** The bond is now strong, and our partners are regularly invited to our major events. Bosnia-Herzegovina is charming and hospitable. It illustrates the difficulties and successes of a multicultural society. **It was a wonderful discovery!** ”

Marc MEYER, international coordinator at UTBM who went on a **staff teaching training** in Sarajevo from **June 21 to June 24, 2023.**