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## CONFLICT OF INTEREST PREVENTION, TOOLS AND MEASURES

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## COMPETENCES OF THE CENTRAL ELECTION COMMISSION

**Implementation of:** 

- > BiH Election Law;
- > The Laws on conflict of interests;
- > The Law on political party financing;
- Part of the Law on BiH Council of Ministers



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### **LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK**

The law on conflict of interests in the governmental institutions of Bosnia and Herzegovina (CEC BIH) "Official Gazette of BiH" 16/02, 14/03, 12/04 and 63/08

- The law on conflict of interests in the governmental institutions of Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina (CEC BIH)
  "Official Gazette of FBiH" 70/08
- The law on conflict of interests in the institutions of Brčko District of Bosnia and Herzegovina (CEC BIH) "Official Gazette of Brčko District" 43/08
- The Law on prevention of conflict of interests in governmental institutions of Republika Srpska (Republic Commission for determining conflict of interests) "Official Gazette of RS" 73/08



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# The Law on Agency for prevention and fight against corruption (Official Gazette of BiH" 103/09)

The Agency for prevention and fight against corruption (2010); Acting director appointed, but recruitment has not been completed).

Strategy for fight against corruption 2009-2014
 The Action Plan for implementation of the Strategy



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## THE LAWS ON CONFLICT OF INTERESTS

>The laws stipulate **specific obligations of public officials** in performing their function/duty.

#### Persons to whom the Law applies:

- Elected officials,
- > Executive officeholders,
- > Advisors,

Close relatives (merital and extramarital partner, child, mother, father, adoptive parent, adopted child).



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### **LEGAL SOLUTIONS**

#### 1. Incompatibility of public function and financial interest:

- In public enterprise
- a) b) In directorate or privatization agency In private enterprise
- **Prohibition to** vote on any matter that directly affects a private enterprise

#### 2. Prohibition of closing personal service contracts with

- a) a public enterprise,
- b) private enterprise
- 3. Prohibition to perform duties in foundations and associations



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#### 4. Accepting gifts (RULES- PROHIBITIONS)

 > to accept gift which value is exceeding 100 Euro
 > receiving additional compensation for tasks performed in exercise of public duty
 > influence decision of any body or a person
 > preferring persons on grounds of party or other affiliation or origin, personal or family relations
 > use privileged information on the activities of governmental bodies for personal gain or gain of affiliated persons
 > using in any manner their position to influence

legislative, executive or judicial power- obtaining a personal gain or gain of affiliated persons.



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## 5. SACTIONS (per Law on conflict of interests)

Ineligibility to run for any function of elected official, executive officeholder or advisor in the period of four years following committed offense (as obligatory norm) and financial fine (as voluntary norm)

Financial fine in the amount from 1.000 to 10.000 BAM (imperative norm)



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## Since implementation of the Law the BiH CEC has:

- Issued 1.500 opinions
- Initiatied 258 procedures
- Pronounced 123 sanctions

Out of 27 filed appeals, the BiH Court rejected 26 appeals, and only one was admitted



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## **ASSETS DECLARATIONS**

**Types of declarations** 

1. BiH Election Law – Assets declaration form

2. Law on conflict of interests – Personal data form



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## WHO IS SUBMITTING THE FORMS

- 1. Per BiH Election Law all **elected officials at all levels** of government submit the forms
- 2. Per Law on conflict of interests elected officials, executive officeholders and their advisors submit the forms
- Submitting completed forms: in person, by mail or fax
   Public disclosure: BiH CEC's web site www.izbori.ba and upon request of a third party



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## When the forms are submitted

> At beginning and at the end of a mandate

Extraordinary report in case of determining certain facts on possible existance of conflict of interests



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According to BiH Election Law (for failure to submit the form)

- > 1.000,00 BAM 10.000,00 BAM political subject
- 1.000,00 BAM 5.000,00 BAM elected official at BiH and entity level
- 200,00 BAM 3.000,00 BAM elected officialscantonal and municipal level
- 200,00 BAM 3.000,00 BAM all elected officials at the end of mandate



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## THANK YOU