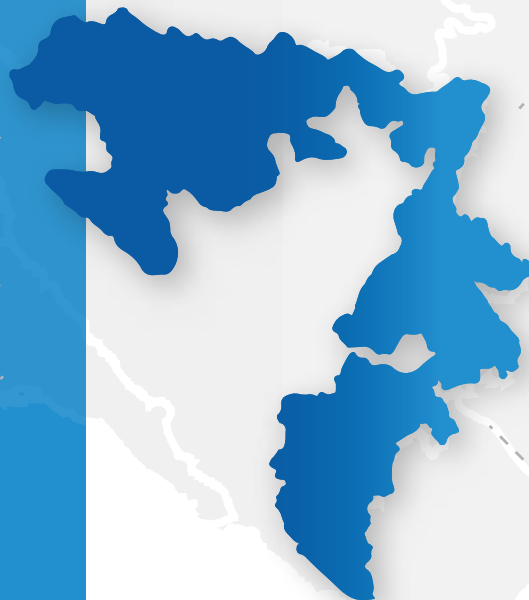
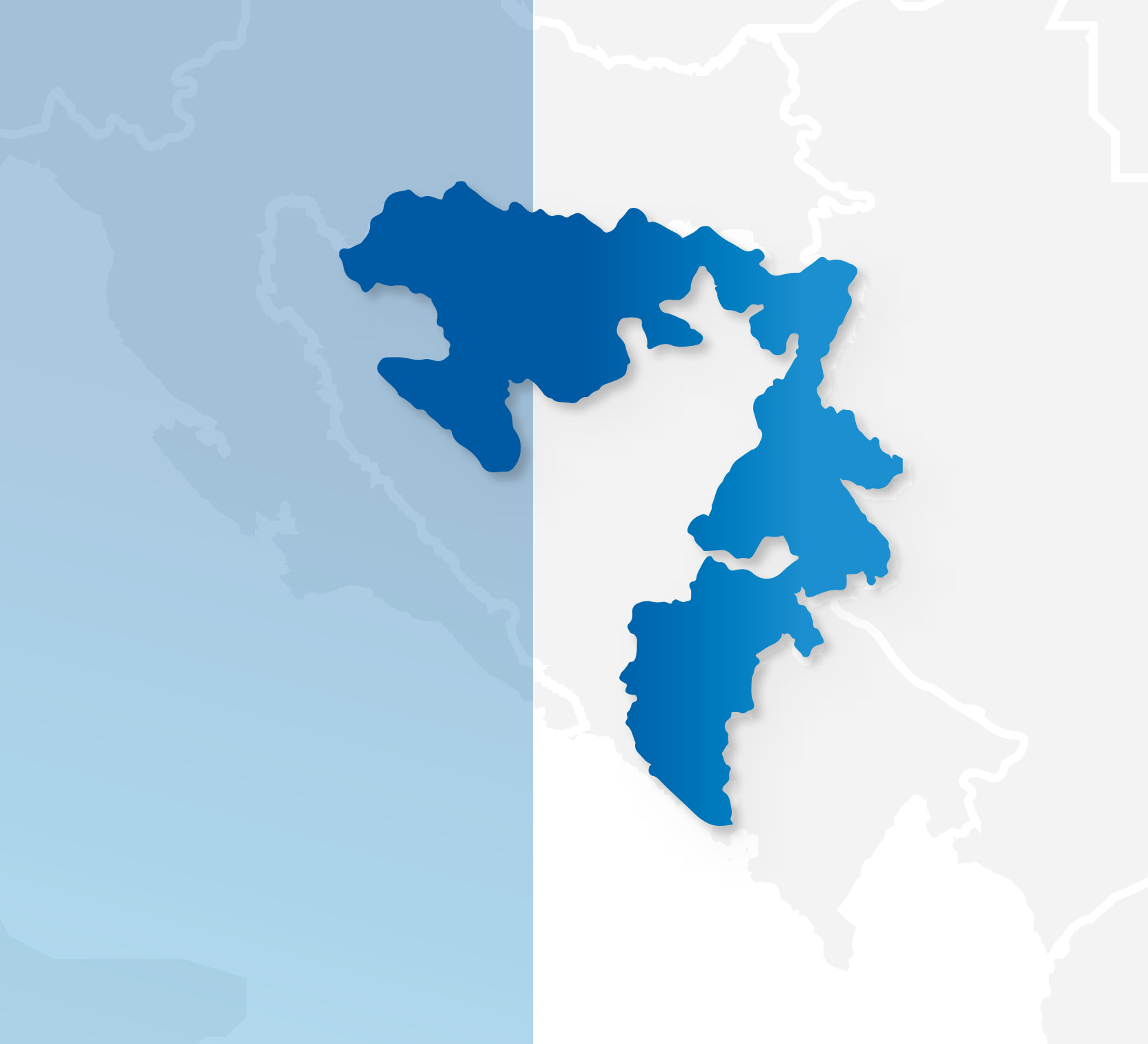




# INVEST IN REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA

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Dear investors,  
Welcome to the **Republic of Srpska** - your new business address.

Ideal location near the European Union, good transport links with neighboring countries, huge natural potential, skilled and hardworking workers, stimulating business environment, good supplier network and the possibility of free-market access of over a billion people, recommends the Republic of Srpska as an ideal place for your new investment.

In order to realize your investment project successful and easy, the Development Agency of the Republic of Srpska is here for you as the best partner for starting a business in the Republic of Srpska

Take advantage of our experience – we are happy to help you with professional and free counseling services. With our support, identify the ideal location for your business, learn all about the business conditions in the Republic of Srpska, go through the necessary procedures faster, establish or expand the supplier network and find the best business partners.

Development Agency of the Republic of Srpska

# ● THE REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA

is an independent investor-oriented economy. The geographical location, the richness of natural resources, expert and educated workforce, as well as a favorable business environment makes it an ideal location for your new investment.



AREA:  
**25.053 km<sup>2</sup>**



POPULATION:  
**1.170,342**

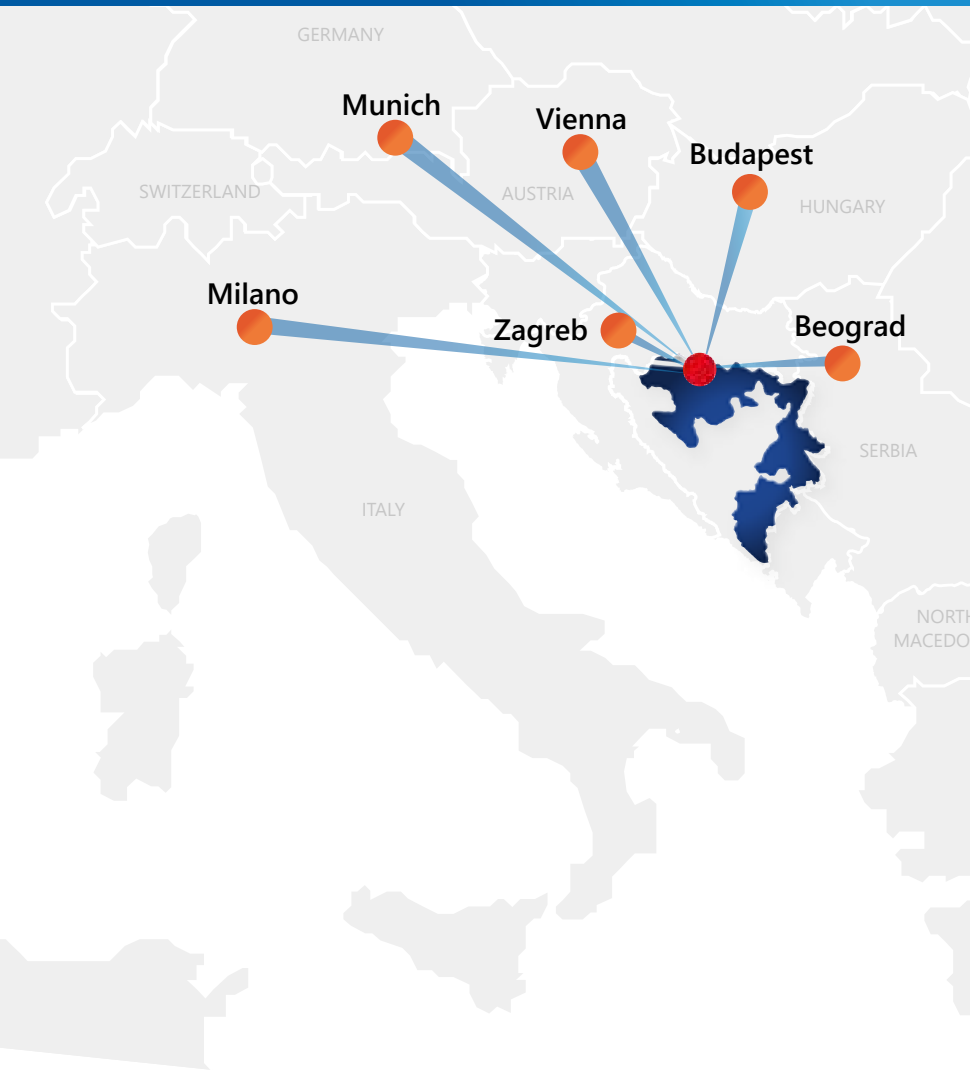


CAPITAL:  
**Banja Luka**



CURRENCY:  
**Convertible  
Mark (BAM)**

# WHY TO INVEST IN THE REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA?



## NEAR BY EU



| <b>Belgrade</b> | 2h 42min<br>279 km  |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| <b>Munich</b>   | 7h 13min<br>697 km  |
| <b>Vienna</b>   | 4h 52min<br>502 km  |
| <b>Budapest</b> | 4h 28min<br>411 km  |
| <b>Milano</b>   | 07h 26<br>756 km    |
| <b>Zagreb</b>   | 01h 30min<br>136 km |

# TRAFFIC INFRASTRUCTURE IN THE REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA



Road network  
in the Republic of Srpska

## Road network in the Republic of Srpska:

106 km of highways,  
over 4200 km freeways and regional  
roads and over 6000 km local roads

## Railways:

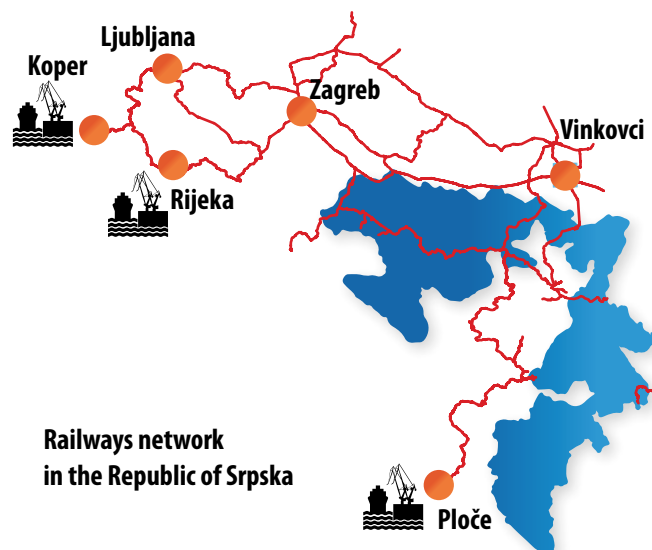
425 km

## Ports:

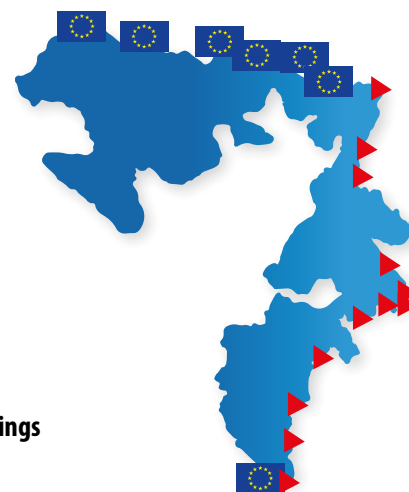
Šamac, the dock in Brod

## International air- ports:

Banja Luka



Railways network  
in the Republic of Srpska

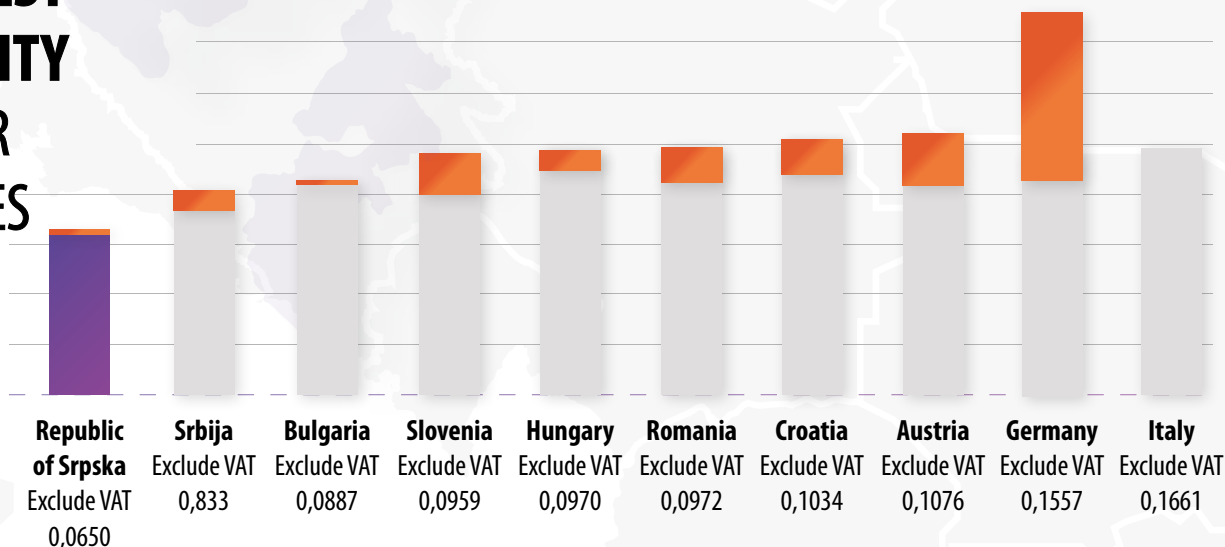


Border crossings

The border crossings for the international road transport of passengers and goods (Stara Gradiška – Gradiška and Nova Sela – Bijača) are subjects of inspection controls in accordance with the legislation of the Contracting Parties upon entry into the European Union.

## THE LOWEST ELECTRICITY PRICE FOR INDUSTRIES

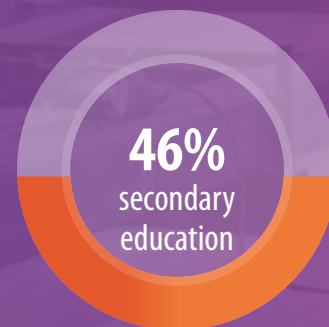
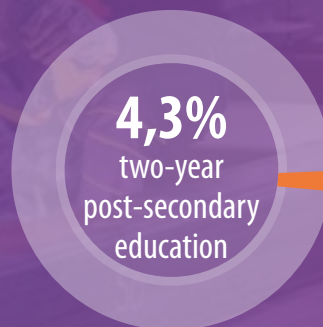
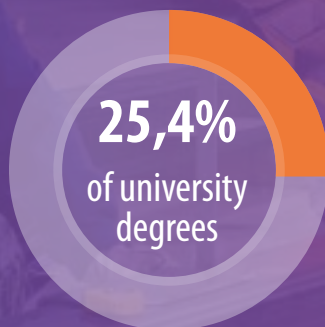
WITHOUT TAXES  
TAXES WITHOUT VAT



Electricity prices for non-household consumers, first half 2019 (EUR per kWh)  
Source: Eurostat (online data codes: nrg\_pc\_205)

## PROFESSIONAL AND VALUE WORKERS

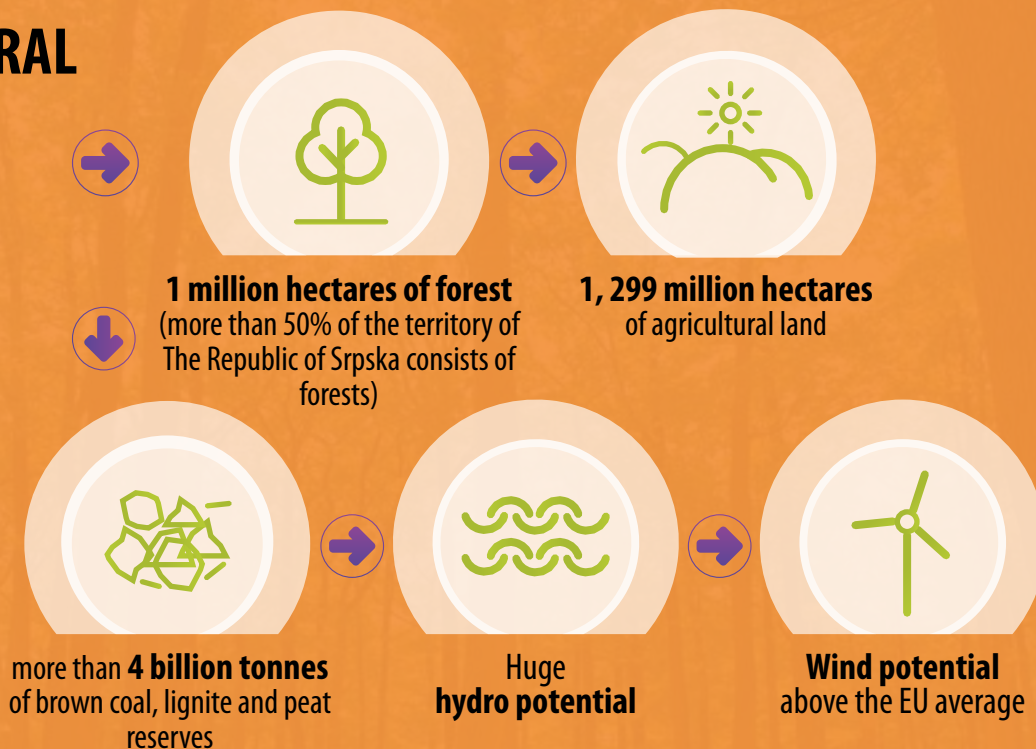
**30,000+**  
skilled workers  
18 to 35 years old



## QUICK AND SIMPLE REGISTRATION



## HUGE NATURAL POTENTIAL





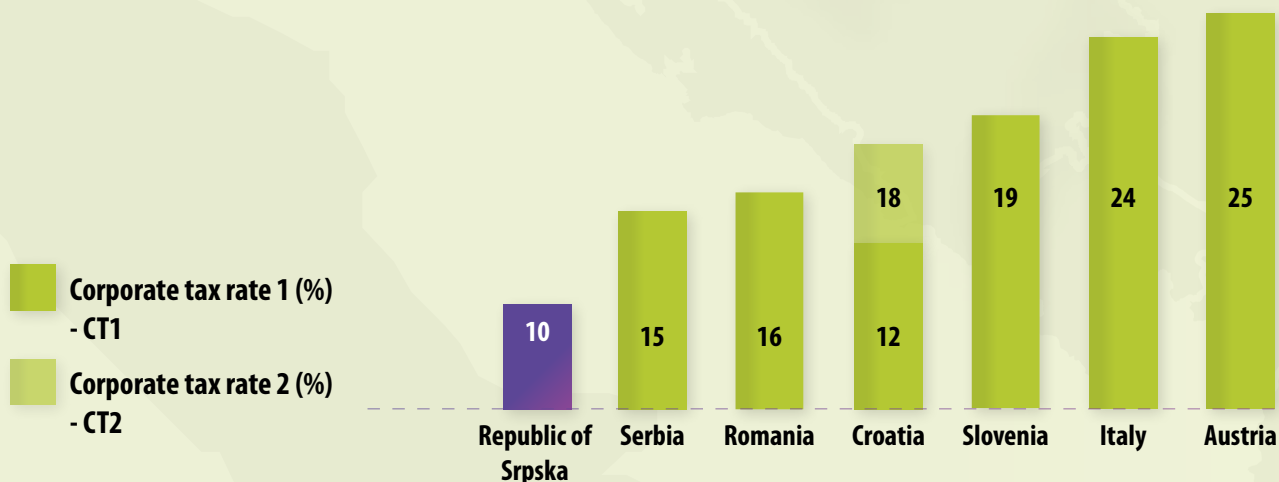
# THE MOST FAVORABLE TAXES IN AREA

## DIRECT TAXES - Personal Income-tax



The non-taxable portion of Income in Republic of Srpska is 255,00 EUR.

## DIRECT TAXES - Corporate tax



\* CT 1 - represents the basic corporate tax rate.

\* CT 2 - represents an increased corporate tax rate that exists in Croatia and relates to profits above 398.000,00 EUR.

The Republic of Srpska is not familiar with this category, as an inimitable rate of 10% applies.

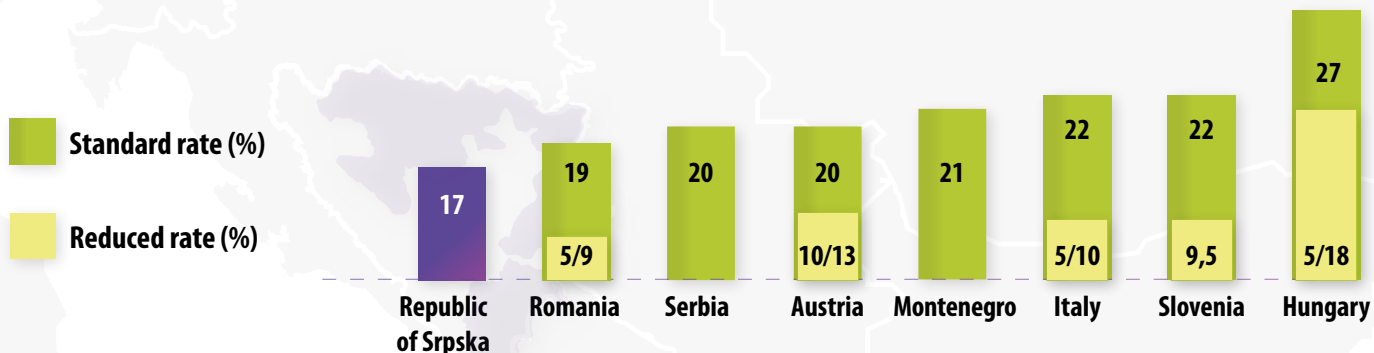
## DIRECT TAXES - Real estate tax

**0,10%**

on real estate where production activity is performed.

The tax base for the calculation of real estate tax is the estimated market value.

## INDIRECT TAXES - Value-added tax



### Fees

**1. Special republic tax –**  
the existence of a company or the performance of a certain activity is taxed.

**2. Communal taxes –**  
the use of public goods managed by the state is taxed.

### Excise taxes

are a special form of sales tax which, unlike VAT, taxes sales of a small number of specific products.

The subject of excise taxation is turnover:

- a) Petroleum products;
- b) Tobacco products;
- c) Non-alcoholic beverages;
- d) Alcohol and alcoholic beverages;
- d) Beers and wines;
- e) Coffee.

### Customs duty

is the basic import duty levied on goods imported into the customs territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

# APPLICABLE TRADE AGREEMENTS

## SAA

The Stabilisation and Association Agreement (SAA), which entered into force on 1 June 2015, has granted free exports for almost all goods on the EU markets that meet standards, while at the same time the BiH market is gradually being opened for EU goods according to the dynamics agreed on by the annexes and protocols belonging to the part of this Agreement.

The SAA has granted zero customs rate for industrial and agricultural products from BiH to the European Union except for: young beef, sugar, fish, and fishery products.

## EFTA

The European Free Trade Association (EFTA) is an association that unites the markets of Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, and Liechtenstein in the field of trade, established to provide a framework for liberalizing trade in goods among its members.

The free trade agreement between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the European Free Trade Association or EFTA came into force on 1 January 2015 and it abolishes all customs duties on industrial and processed agricultural products and fish originally from BiH.

## CEFTA 2006

Agreement on Amendment of and Accession to the Central European Free Trade Agreement (CEFTA 2006) was signed on 19 December 2006 in Bucharest.

With the signing of CEFTA 2006, the Parties expressed their commitment to improving the trade and investment policies of Southeast European countries. It establishes a Free Trade Area in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the World Trade Organization rules and procedures.



## ABOUT RARS

The Development Agency of Republika Srpska is the initiator and implementer of development policies of the Government of the Republic of Srpska in terms of supporting the private sector, attracting and supporting the implementation of investment projects, as well as a place of contact and sustainable dialogue between public and private sector.

We are a reliable partner to domestic and international institutions and the business community in the implementation of development projects.

We have the knowledge and professional staff fully focused on the client.

Our work is transparent and proactive.

We are available in real-time and ready to provide the highest quality service.

Our goal is the dynamic development of the economy based on knowledge and innovation and the Republic of Srpska as a leading destination for the development of private business in Southeast Europe.





# **WE SUPPORT YOUR BUSINESS IN REPUBLIC OF SRPSKA**



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We have the best overview of available investment locations

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Get all the necessary information on business conditions in the Republic of Srpska (legislative framework, operating costs, taxes, customs procedures, labor, logistics, incentives, and benefits..)

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Go through all the necessary procedures

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We offer you free and professional counseling

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Find adequate domestic suppliers and business partners with the help

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## ● SUCCESS STORIES



**MAHLE**



PASS\*



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