



United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

ICT & Gender Equality SDG Accelerators!

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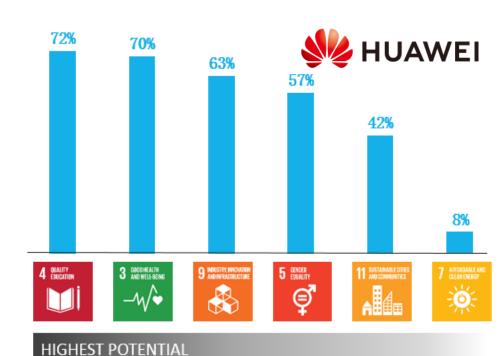
ICT Impact for good

- Good health & well being 3
- Quality education 4
- Gender equality 5
- Ind. Innovation & Infrastructure 9
- Sustainable Cities and Towns 11
- Climate Action 13

SDG accelerators

Partnerships







A difficult market

If change can take root in BiH

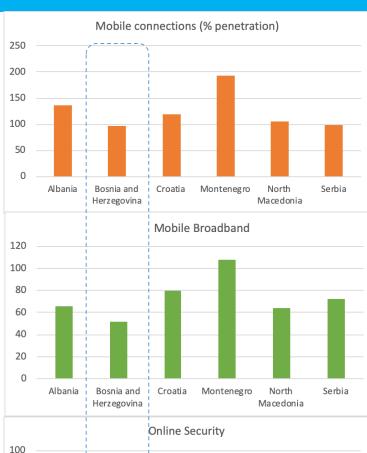
Rapidly aging population in Europe
Outmigration
BiH - 53k left for EU in 2018 (Eurostat)

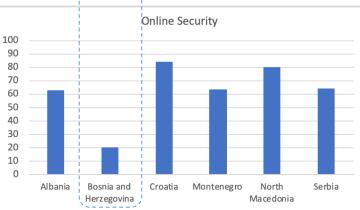
Strong patronage structures

Over 160 ministries

Gender Equality is low: BiH, Albania, N.Macedonia

Violence Against Women





Data source: GSMA 2018

Why girls?

4x more men than women are graduating from an ICT-related program in Europe

3.1x greater share of men working in the digital sector

23.1% is the unemployment rate for women in BiH, for men the rate amounts to 18.9%

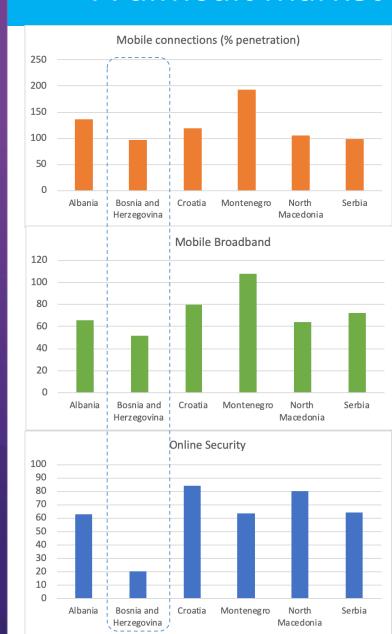
51.4% is the unemployment rate for young women, for young men the rate amounts to 43%

70% is the percentage women make up of all unpaid family workers



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girls and women actively engage in tech

Practice

Entrepreneurship

✓ Networking

Mentoring & Sponsorship

Personal branding

Lifelong learning

Access to finances & advice

Workplace standards

Digital Skills

- . Hands-on
- . Non formal training
- . Technical
- . Digital Literacy
- Reformed ICT education

Confidence

Leadership

Role Models

Communication, Collaboration

Self-Awareness

Critical Thinking, Query

Creativity, Problem Solving

Attitude Change

Transparency

Attitude – Competition/ Risk

. Inclusiveness

. Stereotypes Cyber Bullying



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2015 Award
UN staff volunteers

Practice

Digital Skills

Confidence



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School trainings

Online Challenges

Mentoring

International recognition

Private Partnerships

Tech space visits



Survey to assess interests and access to technology

Attitude Change



.... 2016 to 2018



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230 girls trained

- . HTML, CSS, Java script, public speaking,
- . Social Good Summit, SDG Coding,

400 girls – online Challenge

- . Coding and logistics
- . Mobile apps for SDGs



Super IT Girl Mentor Network

- 56 tech women, incl 10 former IT Girls

Team challenges:

- Arduino & Robotics
- Find your SPARK design thinking

Private sector partnerships

Tech space visits
3D modelling
Crowd funding (Indegogo)
School talks (over 2000 pupils)



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- Entrepreneur, Leadership training
- Visibility of women professionals
- Companies support mentoring
- Company recruitment & HR practice
- Women Empowerment Principles
 Workplace Standards

Work & workplace

Lifelong learning

• ICT Summer Camps

Open Learning events

- Parent involvement
- IT Teacher capacity dvpmt
- Institution Action Plans
- Upgrade IT Curriculum
- ICT education policy
- STEM Policy

Digital Skills Advocacy & confidence building

- IT Super Girls Mentor network
- Boot Camps events
- Online coding competitions
 & challenges
 - Sponsorship of indiv.
 - Showcase role models
 - Peer to Peer exchange
 - Behavioural Science
 Research
 - Advocacy events



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Ministries of Education 12 elementary schools 12 high schools Teachers

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Local Governments
Entity Governments
Companies

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Companies – Tech hubs – schools









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