

CITY OF TREBINJE BOSNIA &HERZEGOVINA

BASIC INFORMATION

42.712°N 18.346°E **Location:** Trebinje is located in the southeastern part of Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Srpska, at the junction of three borders, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Croatia. Area: 904 km² Population: 31.433 Altitude: 245 m Climate: Mediterranean - 260 sunnv davs **Relief:** Dinaric karst Average summer temperature: 26,5 °C, Average winter temperature: 8°C Time zone: CET (GMT + 1 hour)

Currency: BAM Exchange rate (pegged to €): 1 € = 1,95583 BAM VAT: 17% Profit tax: 10%

TRANSPORT CONNECTION

Highroads: M20, M6 International airports: B&H: Mostar 114 km, Sarajevo 198 km, Mostar 305 km. Croatia: Čilipi 41 km, Montenegro: Tivat 93 km Seaports: Croatia: Dubrovnik 31 km, Ploče 130 km, Montenegro: Bar 120 km, Podgorica 117 km CONTACTS Grad Trebinje Vuka Karadžića 2

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OVERVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL SECTOR AND FOOD INDUSTRY

Favourable climatic conditions are suitable for growing fruit and vegetables, especially vines. Apples, sour cherries and plums area the most common fruit cultures, and among vegetables is potato. The city area is the only vineyard in the RS. It is known for production of honey, tobacco, medicinal and aromatic herbs, and guality varieties of figs.

Typical traditional products for Trebinje are wine and honey. The City of Trebinje possesses unpolluted soil, satisfactory water quality, what represents a condition for production of eco-friendly food (cheese,smoked ham, Poljak bean, early vegetables)

FAVOURABLE CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

- Climate Mediterranean, as well as variant of moderate coastalcontinental
- Very long and hot summers, mild, short and rainy winter
- 260 sunny days per year, on average
- Average value of sunshine duration: 2006 hours
- Average annual temperature 14,5 C
- Annual precipitation: 1800-2700 mm
- Number of tropical days: 48

BASIC FACTS

- 9 companies
- 73 employees
- 793 BAM average net salary

HERBAL POTENTIAL

- Karst area covered mostly with karst vegetation
- Potential of high forest excellent in quality around 750 000 m3
- Medicinal plants:
 - 2000 herbal species
 - around 300 interesting for pharmacology

REGISTERED COOPERATIVES

- Agricultural cooperative "Petrovo polje", its main activity is viticulture, as well as production of all traditional and typical products on the organic base.
- Beekeepers cooperative "Žalfija", covers region of East Herzegovina. Its aim is development of beekeeping sector by encouraging the production, placement and sell of bee products from this area.

REGISTERED ASSOCIATIONS

 Association of wingrowers and wineproducers "Vinos" in the area of Herzegovina has the aim to create a worldwide recognizable brand, control the grape origin and thus geographically protect wines produced in these areas. The aim of Trebinje Businessmen Association is faster and more transparent resolving of the problems arising in economic processes.

FAVOURABLE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

- 800 registered legal entities and entreprenuers
- 1-3 days necessary for company registration
- 15 days necessary for urban planning permit issuing
- Up to 30 days necessary for construction permit issuing
- 5 days necessary for company closure
- City is in the process of certification of the local community with favourable business environment (BFC SEE)
- Formed Economic Council to cooperate with the business community in city development plans

INCENTIVES FOR INVESTORS

Stimulating Employment Loans:

- Opportunity of loan funds use in the amount of: from 30.000 BAM (for family farms) up to 1.000.000.BAM (for entrepreneurs and companies)
- Interest rate 1,5%
- Repayment period from 7 to 10 years
- Grace period duration from 24 to 36 months and opportunity a credit line regain access.

OBJECTIVES AND TRENDS

- Development of fruitgrowing in the area of karst field
- Viticulture (Popovo polje, Trebinjsko polje and Lastva)
- Tobacco cultivation in the area of Trebinjske šume
- Production of early fruit

- Beekeeping and bee products production
- Cattle breeding, mini farms and dairy farm
- Collecting, purchasing and processing of medicinal herbs
- Production of edible fish
- Production of indigenous vegetable species from Herzegovina (the "Poljak" bean) – organic production

SUCCESSFUL STORY

POPOVO POLJE

- Popovo polje, Joint-stock Company, established in 1977, is dealing with fruit production.
- Production is based on the use of modern technologies, and the team of agronomists is in charge for products quality following the world standards.
- Orchards are located in the fertile field of Popovo polje, located between Trebinje and Ljubinje.
- Apples, sweet cherries and grapes are produced on the plantation, and the products are placed on the local and foreign market.
- Modern packing department includes complete process from washing to classification by size, weight and quality.
- The fact that apples produced in Popovo polje are already recognizable brand on the many European markets is shown through the data that most of this year growth, over 1000 tons, will be exported to the European Union.
- The current 75 ha planted by apples is planned to be expanded to 250 or 300 ha until 2020.

MAJOR COMPANIES IN THE SECTOR









