

Introduction

The omnipresent globalization trend, stormy progress of modern technologies, and the overall economic and social environment in our country imposed the need to define industrial policy in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

This study was divided into seventeen chapters. The first chapter includes a retrospective overview of the economic and technological situation in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, where the analysis was started based on the pre-war industry situation, which was continued with a recapitalization of war damages, and renewal of industry after the war, when numerous economic indicators of economic development in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina were statistically processed and graphically represented.

The second chapter focuses on the impact of scientific, technical and technological process in the context of globalization on the development of industrial production in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and the following was analyzed in relation to this: the state of science, technological development and living conditions in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, technology, competitiveness and export potential, change of ownership and industry revitalization, development of an IT society in the EU (Western Balkans region), and europeization of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The industrial sectors, such as the metal industry sector, electric industry sector, wood, construction, graphical, chemical, pharmaceutical and military industry sector, and non-metal, textile, leather and shoe industry sectors were included in the analysis and research in chapters 3-10. In case of every sector an overview of development programs was given, the situation in relation to technologies and technological systems, the possibility of technology revitalization and modernization was analyzed, a SWOT analysis was done, and the strategic and development goals were determined. With the aim of analyzing the economic sectors in the best possible way, and defining key current problems that disturb economic development, all business companies were surveyed based on a single questionnaire that included questions on general data of the companies, financial indicators, staff, production program, state of technology, production, development, export/import of raw materials and final products, economic policy measures, foreign investments and development incentive system.

Internal and external limits for the functioning and development of industrial production in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina were identified and expressly stated in the eleventh chapter. In addition to a proper analysis, with the aim to interpret the limits in the most realistic and accurate way, a second questionnaire was made,

which included six limit groups (general fiscal environment, government as a limiting factor, fiscal system, labor force, infrastructure and business support systems) with a total of 48 important factors.

The competitiveness situation was analyzed in Chapter Twelve, and Chapter Thirteen was focused on the analysis of the existing institutions responsible for the technological development of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Chapter Fourteen focuses on the main scientific and research project for support for industrial development, science, informational technologies, provides answers to issues such as what to develop and where to invest, and defines priorities in scientific and research and research and development projects.

Chapter Fifteen deals with the institutional development of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, with a focus on the industrial production.

Chapter Sixteen of this study includes a detailed analysis of the situation in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the mentioned industrial sectors, both in terms of the economic and legal framework of foreign investments and in terms of promotion of export orientation including making of relevant recommendations. The analysis also included possible courses of action by the state which would aim at removal and alleviation of technological lagging behind and limits, and would support the industry development and faster access to EU funds and creating conditions and ambience for a modern, profitable, export oriented industrial production.

And finally, instead of a conclusion, as the central issue of the study 'Industrial Policy Development in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina' the final, Chapter Seventeen includes horizontal measures and explicitly states industrial policy models for individual sectors.

The text of the study was accompanied by 6 appendices: organizational structure of Bosnia and Herzegovina is included in the first appendix, information on the Institute for Accreditation of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Bata, an overview of the universities, an overview of technical and economics faculties in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina are given in appendices 2, 3 and 4, as follows, whereas the examples of the two questionnaires that were used during work are given in appendices 5 and 6.