

## Development Association NERDA – short description

NERDA is Regional Development Agency for North-East BiH and since 2004 has implemented a series of regional economic development projects (funded by EU and other donors). The competences of NERDA are: high quality project management and financial management and extensive experience in EU projects and CBC programmes. Specifically, the experience relevant for the project is connected with implementation of CREDO, ID WOOD and other projects.

Main activities of NERDA are: economic development, project design and implementation, support to local governments (municipalities) in their capacity building and strategic planning, support to SMEs (competitiveness growth and job creation), etc. Economic activities on the market performed by NERDA are normally part of service contracts within larger projects/programmes rather than usual economic activities on the market.

NERDA has been implementing EU-funded projects since 2004. To name only few: (1) Danube S3 Cluster under INTERREG Danube Transnational Programme (NERDA lead partner for Whole BiH – current project), (2) Project BEST4SMEs under the EU LED Programme (NERDA was the lead partner/applicant and Tuzla City is project partner; (3) PROGRES –EU IPA CBC CRO-BIH under the 3rd CFP –NERDA was the applicant/lead partner for the BIH side and Nijemci Municipality was the Functional Lead partner for entire project; (4) Establishment and Development of the Regional Agri-business Centers Network – ABC (EU funded) with NERDA as the applicant and 5 local partners involved; (5) ACInD – Adriatic Cooperation for Industrial Development – transnational cooperation, NERDA was lead partner for BiH; (6) Clustering Knowledge, Innovation and Design in the SEE Wood Sector – ID:WOOD – SEE transnational cooperation – NERDA lead partner for BiH); (7) CREDO projects funded by Sida (3 projects in total in 3 regions in BiH); (8) four EU-funded project related to support to NERDA’s capacity building from 2005 to 2011); (9) CULTURE I and CULTURE II funded by the Italian Foundation „Casa di Risparmio“; (10) ongoing project Market Makers funded by the Swiss Government (NERDA was one of the project partners; (11) a series of small-scale projects with the larger nation-wide project of USAID and Sida (FIRMA, FARMA, Gold, etc.). More details on NERDA projects at:

[http://www.nerda.ba/pdf/REFERENCE\\_LIST\\_NERDA.pdf](http://www.nerda.ba/pdf/REFERENCE_LIST_NERDA.pdf)