

**Recommendation CM/RecChL(2013)6  
of the Committee of Ministers  
on the application of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages  
by Bosnia and Herzegovina**

*(Adopted by the Committee of Ministers on 10 July 2013  
at the 1176th meeting of the Ministers' Deputies)*

The Committee of Ministers,

In accordance with Article 16 of the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages;

Having regard to the instrument of ratification submitted by Bosnia and Herzegovina on 21 September 2010;

Having taken note of the evaluation made by the Committee of Experts on the Charter with respect to the application of the Charter by Bosnia and Herzegovina;

Bearing in mind that this evaluation is based on information submitted by Bosnia and Herzegovina in its first periodical report, supplementary information given by the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, information submitted by bodies and associations legally established in Bosnia and Herzegovina and information obtained by the Committee of Experts during its on-the-spot visit;

Having taken note of the comments made by the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina on the contents of the Committee of Experts' report,

Recommends that the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina take account of all the observations and recommendations of the Committee of Experts and, as a matter of priority:

1. establish a structured policy and take flexible measures facilitating the application of the Charter;
2. provide appropriate forms and means for the teaching of the minority languages in co-operation with the speakers;
3. establish a scheme for financing cultural activities and facilities relating to the minority languages;
4. make adequate provision so that public broadcasters offer programmes in the minority languages;
5. use traditional forms of place-names in the minority languages.