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## **Connecting(ex)You: Third coordination meeting in Sarajevo**

The third coordination meeting took place on 17 and 18 March 2016 in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. The meeting was organized at the premises of the Association for Cultural and Media Decontamination. Representatives of all three partner organizations were present.

The main purpose of the coordination meeting was to evaluate the results from the third international training session that took place in Sarajevo 14 and 17 March 2016. Additionally the content and the timing of the last international training and the rest of the webinars was discussed.

The meeting started with a summary of the training session. In order to evaluate the learning progress of the trainees the participants listened to the radio pieces produced during the training. The two leading trainers Mirza Ajnadzic and Helmut Hostnig shared their impressions from their work with the participants. Both of them agreed that the trainees worked very independently and there was almost no need to intervene in the production process.

Everybody agreed that the trainees have made a significant progress with their journalistic skills. They managed to apply some of the instruments of storytelling they learned about during the training session. They were very creative and used unusual sounds for their stories. Having in mind that at the beginning some of the participants had no prior experience with radio production, one of the main aims of this project had already been achieved: everybody had gained skills in radio production.

The webinars proved to be a very helpful tool for supporting the participants in the pre-production process. The webinar sessions provided the trainees with background information on the research topics and facilitated the research process by helping them find focus in their stories. Having made this conclusions, the partners agreed that they should make further use of the webinars in the pre-production stage of the next shows.

At the end of the meeting the partners discussed the content and dates of the last training session. It was agreed that the trainees will deal with the topic of EU integration of the Westbalkan countries in their radio pieces. In order to support them with the research, the partners agreed to dedicate some of the webinars to this topic.

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