

Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina (ANUBiH)

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Brief history and legal position

The Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina (ANUBiH), the highest scientific and artistic institution in the country, was founded by the Law on the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1966, under the terms of which the Scientific Society (founded 1951), became an institution with the status of Academy.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Law and Bylaws, ANUBiH is composed of six departments established in line with selected branches of the sciences and arts. Each Department is headed by a secretary, elected by the Department members and verified by the ANUBiH Assembly. The work of the Departments is coordinated by the Assembly and the Presidency of the Academy.

The Departments are authorized to form working groups (Committees and Commissions) that initiate study and evaluate various aspects of scientific and artistic activities. The working groups consist of ANUBiH members as well as other prominent persons from the relevant fields. The working groups are chaired by members of the Academy.

Within ANUBiH and its departments there are special organizational units: Balkanology Research Centre, headed by academician *Dževad Juzbašić*; Lexicographic Department, headed by academician *Muhamed Filipović*; Philosophical Research Centre, headed by academician *Arif Tanović*; and the Centre for the Coordination of Medical Research, headed by academician *Ladislav Ožegović*.

The Law on the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina (SRBiH Official Register, No.40/75 and 33/84; see also: the consolidated text: RBiH Official Register, No.15/94) stipulates (Article 1) that the Academy of Sciences and Arts of Bosnia and Herzegovina is an independent organization constituting an association of prominent scientific workers and artists in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina for the purpose of the advancement of science and art. It has (Article 2) the character of a legal person. The headquarters of the Academy are in Sarajevo.

Article 3 describes the Academy's activities as follows:

- . to develop scientific thought and foster the arts,
- . to study and encourage the study of major issues in the domain of the sciences and arts;
- . to organize and coordinate research in all fields of science and to encourage creativity in the field of the arts,
- . to contribute to the formation and implementation of development policy for the sciences and arts,
- . to encourage and assist in the advancement of scientific workers and artists,
- . to take part in the evaluation of the results of scientific and artistic work,
- . to submit proposals and opinions to state bodies on the advancement of the sciences, the organization of scientific work and the application of scientific advances, as well as on measures for the advancement of the arts,
- . to publish the results of scientific research and scientific and artistic works of particular importance for the Republic and its cultural heritage.

Article 4 exhorts the Academy that it shall, in pursuance of its objectives, collaborate with other academies of sciences and arts, higher education organizations and their associations, scientific, cultural and other organizations and associations, scientific workers and artists at home and abroad.

Membership

ANUBiH members are chosen from among the most eminent persons actively engaged in different fields of science and art. They are elected by the ANUBiH Assembly in compliance with the provisions of the Law and Bylaws, pursuant to proposals submitted by those authorized to do so by the Bylaw: departments and scientific units of ANUBiH, two ANUBiH members, and the scientific and artistic institutions of B&H (universities, faculties, higher education establishments, scientific research institutions, academies of art, and relevant associations of creative artists in the field of literature and art).

The active complement of the Academy consists of full members (Academicians) and correspondent members of ANUBiH.

In addition, pursuant to current regulations, the Academy has domestic and foreign members and honorary members. Domestic members are citizens of Bosnia and Herzegovina living outside BiH, while foreign members are foreign citizens.

The Academy's Electoral Assembly elects full and correspondent members by secret ballot, and domestic and foreign members by acclamation.

Upon a motion by the Presidency of ANUBiH, pursuant to a prior submission by a Department, honorary members are elected by acclamation.

At the moment, the Academy is not involved in special and permanent actions regarding the inclusion of young scientists in academic life, as the Academy was engaged before the events of 1992-1995. However, the Academy continuously collaborates in presenting to the public diverse research projects, achievements and professional problems in the work of young scientists.

Governance and Structure

According to the Law and Bylaws, the governing bodies of ANUBiH are the Assembly, the Presidency and the Executive Committee. ANUBiH General Assembly consists of full and correspondent members, and of honorary members who are citizens of B&H. The ANUBiH Electoral Assembly consists of full and correspondent members of ANUBiH. The meeting of the General Assembly is in a year (June).

Members of the Presidency are elected by the Assembly by secret ballot.

The ANUBiH Presidency has 16 members: a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary-General, and a representative of each Department and the Department secretaries.

The Executive Committee is the operational and executive body of the Presidency, and consists of the President, two Vice-Presidents and the Secretary-General of ANUBiH.

The Academy has 6 departments:

- . Department of social sciences
- . Department of humanities
- . Department of medical science
- . Department of the natural sciences and mathematics
- . Department of technology
- . Department of arts

Publications

The Law and Bylaw of ANUBiH prescribe the Academy's publishing activities, which include periodical (serial) and occasional publications. The following table gives an overview over the production. The

Academy also publishes, independently or in cooperation with other publishers, a substantial number of scientific and artistic works. A detailed review of all ANUBiH publications is available upon request.

TITLE OF PUBLICATION	CONTENT	PUBLISHED VOLUMES
WORKS	Periodical publication of scientific works reviewed & accepted by the departments	I (1954) – XCIV (2005)
MONOGRAPHS	Occasional publication of scientific monographs reviewed & accepted in the departments	I (1954) – LXXIX (2005)
ALMANAC	Periodical (annual) publication of the Balkanology Research Centre	I (1957) – XXXVI (2007)
SPECIAL EDITIONS	Occasional publication of the communications presented at ANUBiH scientific and cultural manifestations	I (1961) – CXXIV (2007)
MATERIALS	Occasional publication of collected materials for scientific research work	I (1956) – XXVII (2000)
ANNALS	Annual review of ANUBiH activities and members' individual activities.	I (1961) – CXXIV (2007)
MATHEMATICAL WORKS– SARAJEVO JOURNAL OF MATHEMATICS	International series intended for publication of original research works from all fields of mathematics	I (1985) – XV (2006) New Series Vol.3(15)No1 Vol.3(16)No2 (2007)
DIALOGUE	Periodical for philosophical & social issues	New Series 1994 (1) - 2007 (1-2,3)
ACTA MEDICA ACADEMICA	Periodical publication of original research works from all fields of medicine	New Series Vol.35, No1,2 2006 - Vol. 36, No1 2007
EXTRAORDINARY PUBLICATION	RTD Strategy of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Editor: ANUBiH) The Competitiveness of Bosnia and Herzegovina 2007-2008 (Editor: ANUBiH, World Economic Forum, MIT Centre)	2007