

<b>To Consume or to Self-Employ? Evidence from Remittances' Use in Macedonia, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo, with Emphasis on the Roles of Crises, Gender and Ethnicity</b>	<b>Involved Countries (3):</b> Macedonia, Kosovo and Bosnia and Herzegovina
	<b>Involved Institutions:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. University American College Skopje, School of Business Economics and Management</li> <li>2. CEDAR</li> <li>3. Independent Researchers (Arben Mustafa, Sokol Havolli)</li> <li>4. GfK - Skopje</li> </ol>
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<b>Short Description:</b> This research project is aimed at investigating the impact of remittances on social disparities during the crises in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), Kosovo and Macedonia. The flow of remittances has been carried out in various ways throughout their respective crises: They stagnated in Kosovo, dropped sharply in BiH and continued to increase in Macedonia, which makes the issue particularly attractive.	
<b>Main Objectives:</b> The main research objective is to investigate the role of remittances in poverty alleviation/the balance of income inequality and the support of entrepreneurship of those in BiH, Kosovo and Macedonia, and to put them in the context of crisis, gender and ethnicity.	
<b>Expected Outputs:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A round table will be organised in the three countries involved. Various major stakeholders in the region will also be invited.</li> <li>• A regional conference will be organised in order to present the final research results to stakeholders.</li> <li>• Some parts of the research will be published in different working papers created by those institutions involved. Furthermore, the project will attempt to publish its findings in some international peer-reviewed journals.</li> <li>• The research and its findings will also be published internationally in the form of a book through international publishers.</li> </ul>	
<b>Duration:</b> 12 months	<b>Value:</b> CHF 100,000