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CIVIL RIGHTS DEFENDERS' SUPPORT FOR THE PRESS COUNCIL IN B&H

34.000 Euros for the development of media self-regulation

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Civil Rights Defenders, CRD, as a long time donator and partner of the Press Council in Bosnia and Herzegovina has approved support for 2011 in the amount of 34,000 EUR for the development of media self-regulation, as a basis for free media and the development of democracy. This is of exceptional importance for the Press Council in B&H, especially since in 2011 the Council has actively begun to work on raising the ethical standards of reporting in online media, besides print media. The CRD has also initiated and is financing the first analysis of media freedoms and the freedom of speech in B&H, according to Media Freedom Measuring Indicators which are recommended by the Council of Europe for all of its members.

The Civil Rights Defenders' support applies to the project period of April-December 2011 and includes operational costs of the Press Council in B&H. Thanks to this, the Press Council in B&H will be able to uninterruptedly realize its activities planned for the year 2011.