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Testimonial

My name is Joanna Lewińska. I am from Poland from the Institute of the Applied Linguistics, University of Warsaw. I was invited as a post-doc by the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Sarajevo. I applied for EM2 SIGMA scholarship to:

- analyse the conditions determining the quality of multilingual and multicultural education in Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- share my knowledge concerning didactic, linguistic and cultural challenges in multilingual and multicultural settings which teachers from Bosnia and Herzegovina;
- confront my knowledge concerning intercultural learning with teachers from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

During my mobility I met not only students from the University of Sarajevo, I had also a chance to meet students from other European countries who participated in exchange programmes in Sarajevo. The discussions with students from other European countries during a trip to Mostar were very inspirational for me.

The scholarship gave me a chance to increase my intercultural skills, I learnt a lot about post-conflict societies in the Balkan region. I acquired new research perspectives. The scholarship will positively influence my future academic career.