

BOSNIA: BETWEEN THE CRESCENT & STARS



- **Post-Dayton Bosnia is being pulled between the EU and Turkey for sphere of influence.**
- **Nearly 20 years after the cease-fire, Bosnia remains a state mired in externally imposed ineffective bureaucracy.**
- **The EU wishes to see Bosnian political and social systems progress to acceptable EU standards, but the current situation renders that impossible.**

Significant connections are forming between Bosnian and Turkish political and religious figures, such that on the surface Bosnia, in many ways, looks like it is being reincorporated into metaphysical Neo-Ottoman space. Current Bosnian engagement with the EU has yet to go beyond moderator and moderated.



I would like to be in the EU. A play on the Bosnian for "would," (bih) and the abbreviation of the country (BiH).

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