KONSTANTY GEBERT’S VISIT TO SARAJEVO
September 25-27, 2017

Lectures at the University of Sarajevo Faculty of Political Science

In cooperation with Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Humanity in Action Bosnia and Herzegovina organized two lectures by Mr. Gebert at the Faculty of Political Science in Sarajevo: Youth and the Rise of Nationalism: Lessons from Europe (September 25, 2017) and Is it Time to Bury the Dream? The Old Demons: Violence, Intolerance and Oppression Return to Haunt Europe (September 27, 2017). Both lectures were attended by several HIA Senior Fellows, university students and other guests, who later engaged in discussion about the analyzed topics.

“The Holocaust in the Visegrad Group Countries: A Comparative Study” promotional event (September 25, 2017)

Mr. Gebert was one of the speakers at the promotional event for the comparative study on the Holocaust in the Visegrad Countries, along with HIA BiH Board Member Dr. Elijas Tauber. The book was created as a reader for an elective course dedicated to genocide studies in the V4 countries at the University of Sarajevo Faculty of Law, which is currently being implemented with the support of the International Visegrad Fund and in cooperation with Humanity in Action Bosnia and Herzegovina. The authors of the book are Dr. Jasmin Hasić, HIA BiH Executive Director, Mr. Hikmet Karić from the Institute for the Islamic Tradition of Bosniaks, and Ms. Ehlimana Memišević, Senior Teaching Assistant at the Faculty of Law.

Visit to Jajce (September 26, 2017)

On September 26, 2017, HIA BiH Staff and HIA Senior Fellow Samir Beharić accompanied Mr. Gebert to Jajce, a city known for its segregated educational system in elementary schools, where we had the opportunity to meet with students and professors who recently fought to stop the introduction of segregation in high schools.

Media appearances

During his stay in Sarajevo, Mr. Gebert gave an interview for Voice of America on the political situation in the country, as well as terrorism and radicalism in Europe (available in local languages on this link), and spoke about his visit to Jajce for Radio Free Europe (available in local languages on this link). The news about the book launch was published in local languages on Fokus.ba.
Mr. Gebert’s visit to Sarajevo ended with a gathering with local members of the Senior Fellow Network, who were happy to have the opportunity to discuss current human rights challenges and hear about Mr. Gebert’s views on the country’s current political situation and his experiences during his time in Bosnia and Herzegovina as a reporter during the war.