## Associate prof dr Suzana GOTOVAC ATLAGIĆ, European Research Council national contact point for Bosnia and Herzegovina

## **Short biography**



Suzana GOTOVAC ATLAGIĆ has graduated at the Faculty of Technology UNIBL, in her home country of Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1999. Since then, she completed her Master in humanities and environmental sciences and the PhD in science and technology in Switzerland and Japan. Her study periods included stays at Ochanomizu University, Neuchatel University and Chiba University. After working as the teaching assistant and obtaining her PhD abroad, she returned home in 2007, and obtained the verification of the Japanese PhD diploma at University of Tuzla. Next, she worked at Public Health Institute Banja Luka-Waste water laboratory for 8 years. From 2015 she is a teacher at University of Banja Luka, Chemistry department, running national and international projects in environmental nanotechnologies. Her

team was awarded the "Scientific achievement award" (Best scientific team in Republika Srpska) for 4 years in a raw, due to number of extensive project activities, international exchange, publications and industrial collaboration. She is currently participating in 3 international projects out of which in one "DeepGreenInno" worth 700 000 euro where she is also the coordinator.

She is a strong advocate for repatriation of Bosnian scientists studying abroad and for that purpose she is following with great attention Bosnian economic recovery and numerous foreign industrial investments in the country.

Prof Gotovac Atlagić is also the member of the executive and scientific board of the Institute for Protection and Ecology of Republika Srpska. She is holding one national patent in the area of nanotechnologies obtained through the EIT RM project and is having one more patent application under review.

She was the delegate of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Scientific Committee of COST association where she strongly promoted opportunities in this funding scheme, holding numerous info sessions and motivation speeches. During her mandate 2014-2021, number of Bosnian scientist participation in COST association increased over 4 folds.

She is the ERC NCP of her country in the period 2021-2028, and this role is dedicated to promote European Research Council support possibilities to the scientific community in Bosnia and Herzegovina without discrimination.