

## **High Representative Inzko meets Swedish Officials**

High Representative Valentin Inzko visited Stockholm this week and met with senior officials in the Swedish Government and Parliament. They discussed the current political developments in BiH and progress in the implementation of the Dayton Peace Agreement, in light of Sweden's taking over of the UN Security Council Presidency in January of next year.

Speaking about the political situation and the prevailing trends in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the High representative said that "there are two parallel realities in BiH. The first reality is a positive one – the EU integration path, which has resulted in the invitation from the EU Council to the European Commission to present an opinion on BiH's preparedness for EU membership. The second reality is a negative one. There are still challenges to the state of BiH and its state-level institutions. There are challenges to the constitutional order of BiH and the rule of law."

The High Representative expressed his gratitude for Sweden's commitment to the post-war reconstruction of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and to the overall efforts of the International Community in BiH.