

## REPORT PRESS CONFERENCE 18/07/2018

The Association of Employers of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina organized on July 18 round table on the topic "Necessity of amending the Law on Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment of Persons with Disabilities", after which a press conference was held. The media were addressed by Director of the Association of Employers of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina Mladen Pandurević and legal expert Dubravka Helepović.

The aim of the round table was to try to reach the best legal solutions and to create the conditions for greater employment of people with disabilities, as well as to improve mechanisms for stimulating employers, while analyzing the existing legal framework that is inadequate and destabilizing.

"Current law requires that every employer must, on every 16 employees, hire one person with disability. Association proposes to increase the quota from the existing 16 employees to 20 employees. We also require that employers must be able to have the right to fulfill their quota obligation to employ persons with disabilities with alternative possibilities. Alternative quotas would be fulfilled in the way that employers would scholarship a student with disabilities, perform the internship or practice of a student with disabilities, purchase goods or services from business entities for professional rehabilitation and employment of persons with disabilities in the value of employment of a person with disabilities, and co-financing part of the wage costs for a person with disabilities who are employed in one of the business entities for professional rehabilitation and employment of people with disabilities. ", said the director of the Association of Employers of FBiH Mladen Pandurević during press conference.

The press conference was attended by four electronic media, five print media and three radio representatives.