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## For The Fifth Year In A Row, The Centre For Security Studies Is The Best Ranked Research Centre In BiH

The University of Pennsylvania (USA), within the Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program, annually publishes the "Global Go To Think Tank Index Report", a ranking list of the world's leading research centres.

According to the data from the said report for 2020, the Centre for Security Studies (CSS) has been ranked the best research centre in BiH for the fifth consecutive year in the category of think tanks in Central and Eastern Europe and is in 21st position out of a total of 109 ranking think tanks that managed to enter the competition in that category. Compared to the data from the report for 2019, CSS has advanced by 20 positions.

In its 2020 report, the Think Tanks and Civil Societies Program took into account 11,175 research centres from around the world. 1,796 institutions and experts from the print and electronic media, academia, public and private donor institutions and governments around the world participated in the evaluation process. 28 criteria were defined on the basis of which the ranking was performed, and some of them are the quality of the research; academic performance and reputation; the impact of research on policy makers; reputation among policy makers; demonstrated commitment to producing independent research; access to key audiences; media reputation, etc. In addition to CSS, the ranking list of the best 'think tanks' from Central and Eastern Europe includes four other organizations from BiH.

The fact that for the fifth year in a row we were rated the best research centre from BiH in the category of think tanks from Central and Eastern Europe for us is a significant recognition of the results of many years of work, as well as motivation to maintain the quality of work in the future.

Website of the Program for Research Centers and Civil Society:

http://repository.upenn.edu/ttcsp/

A full report on the ranking process with all ranking lists:

https://repository.upenn.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1019&context=think tanks

Best regards,

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