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TRADE ASSOCIATIONS - FROM HISTORICAL BEGINNING TO MODERN FORMS IN BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Summary: *The authors analyze investigate legal-historical aspects of the form of trade associations from ancient times, especially according to Roman law (e.g. societas), medieval simple forms of business that had an impact on Croatian and Bosnian areas, craft guilds and merchant guilds as a form of association of artisans and merchants. It warns of the occurrence, the so-called companies (joint stock companies) and even with international capital at the dawn of the new era, in the 17th and 18th centuries. This is followed by legal regulation in modern laws in Croatia and the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina, especially for Austro-Hungarian administrations and in the Yugoslav era (Kingdom of SHS / Yugoslavia) as well as the socialist era, which broke with the classical forms of association until the re-establishment of the market economy and associated forms of association in Bosnia and Herzegovina.*

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