

Quick Response Request

Submitted by: Association of Kosovo Municipalities

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Subject: The management of the bus stations (terminals).

Background: The association would like to know how the **bus station** is **managed** in your countries. More specifically, AKM is interested to know if the Bus Station is managed by the **Municipal** or by **Central** level

1. Summary of Results*

Country/Entity	The bus stations are managed by local level	The bus stations are managed by central level	Comments
Albania	+		In Albania the bus station is managed by Municipalities.
Bulgaria	+		According the Law for the Automotive Transport Bus Stations can be municipal, state or private. At the moment in BG most of the stations are municipal, although we have several private owned. NAMRB has no information for the existence of state owned stations. Bus transportation is competence of the municipal level. The central level with Ordinance fixes the minimal requirements towards the bus stations (area, premises, time-table, etc.)
Croatia	+		In Croatia, central bus stations in cities and municipalities (including Zagreb) are managed by local authorities. Depending on the size and scope of duties managing could be direct or with the specially established public utility company (like in Zagreb http://www.akz.hr/En.htm).
Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina			In the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, bus stations are the responsibility of Cantons
Moldova	+		The second tier of local government and the municipality of Chisinau (the capital city) are managing most of the buss stations
Montenegro	+		Bus stations are managed by municipalities in Montenegro. In most cases, municipalities transferred those affairs to public enterprises. There are also cases of the PPP in this sector.
Macedonia	+		The bus stations are managed by local governments, but under the term "managed" we might have some differences because in EVERY city in Macedonia the

			municipality OWNS the stations but in some cases they are given under concession for 5 or 10,15 years and enterprises take care of the management but in the name of the municipality
Republic of Srpska	+		Bus Stations in RS are managed by the local/municipal level
Romania	+		In Romania the bus stations are managed by the local/municipal level.
Slovenia	+		In Slovenia bus stations are the responsibility of municipalities.
Serbia	+		In Serbia the bus stations are managed by the local/municipal level.

* For more details please follow the links in the table or see the detailed information in the next chapter.

2. Detailed Information

Moldova

The national legislation of the Republic of Moldova applied to offer the quick response:

1. Law on administrative decentralization № 435/28.12.2006;
2. Law on approval of Code of auto transport Nr.116 of 29.07.1998.

Description of current situation within Republic of Moldova

Thus, according to article 10 of the Law on approval of Code of auto transport Nr.116 of 29.07.1998

(1) Establishment of bus stations, which may represent state public property, as well as private property, is made as prescribed by law and is subject to authorization by the central government authority.

(2) Construction, maintenance and repair of bus station buildings is covered by bus stations, local government authorities and private sources.

Article 11 of the above mentioned law, provides:

(1) Transit bus stations of regular routes of common transport in cities and other localities are arranged by local government authorities.

(2) In transit bus stations on urban and suburban routes, local government authorities install signs indicating circulation schedule of buses, and on routes with a circulation interval exceeding 20 minutes, displays a circulation schedule of buses by the stop station concerned.

The Law on administrative decentralization provides that second tier local governments organize auto transport of passengers, **administrate bus stations of rayon interest.**

So the local public transport is managed by second tier local government authorities.

However, the mayoralty of Chisinau municipality (being the capital of Moldova) has a special department within its organizational structure: General Department of Public Transportation and Communications. This department deals, inclusively, with the administration of Chisinau bus stations.

Also there are bus stations managed by the central government authorities such as Ministry of Transport and Road Infrastructure.