



## Post-conflict economies

After the end of the Kosovo war in 1999, Dimitri headed the IMF missions to Kosovo, working under challenging conditions in a territory without international recognition, physical security (except for KFOR), infrastructure, statistics, or know-how to get the devastated local economy going. He opened the IMF Office in Pristina in 2001, reached out to both ethnic communities, and worked with the EU High Representative and international donors for post-conflict reconstruction and economic institution-building. He described the challenges of these first few years in [\*Kosovo: Institutions and Policies for Reconstruction and Growth\*](#).

A few years later, he took over IMF operations in Bosnia & Herzegovina, still reeling under a dysfunctional power-sharing arrangement.

He has published a paper on the [\*post-war challenges for the region\*](#), as well as research on the [\*economics of post-conflict aid\*](#).

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