



# SUPPORT TO EDUCATION SECTOR

## SUMMARY

33	1,861,128	17,000	60
projects	Euros invested	children and youth directly benefited	jobs opened

## TYPES OF PROJECTS

INFRASTRUCTURE	21 projects	
SOCIAL INCLUSION	10 projects	
COMPETITIVENESS	2 projects	

## KEY RESULTS

<p>20 Projects for reconstruction, renovation or construction of education facilities</p> <p>1 Building constructed and equipped for the work of the Bujanovac Department of the Subotica Faculty of Economics</p>	<p>6 Projects implemented in partnership with civil society organisations to enhance access to or improve education of primarily the most vulnerable children</p>	<p>2 Cluster support projects include vocational education programmes</p> <p>2 Projects introduced the world-renowned, inclusive El Sistema methodology into the music education in South Serbia</p>
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## OVERVIEW

**European PROGRES provided 1.8 million EUR to support 33 projects contributing to the education sector**

Over 80% of funds or 1,530,192 Euros were used to support infrastructure and related projects: 20 projects for improvement or construction of education facilities and the construction and equipping of the facility to house Bujanovac Department of the Subotica Faculty of Economics. This modern object of 2,300 m<sup>2</sup> provides high quality conditions for education of over 400 current students, half of which are Serbs and half Albanian. The Programme also invested 88,634 Euros to support six partnership projects of civil society organisations and local self-governments that improve education and another 77,740 into two projects aimed at including marginalised children into the music education system by means of the internationally recognised El Sistema methodology. Over 5,500 high school students, pupils and kindergarten children were included in these projects.

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PROJECT TYPE	LSG	PROJECT TITLE	CONTRIBUTION (Euros)	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Bela Palanka	Development of the Main Design for the Reconstruction of the Primary School "Ljupče Španac" in Bela Palanka	<b>2,771 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the reconstruction of the Primary School "Ljupče Španac" in Bela Palanka, will create conditions for improving the building's energy efficiency.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Doljevac	Development of the Main Design for the Reconstruction and Upgrading of the Preschool institution "Lane" in Doljevac	<b>6,350 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the reconstruction and the reorganisation of the ground floor of Doljevac preschool institution "Lane". One part of the building will serve as a kindergarten and another as a vocational education department of the "Niš School of Economics".
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Ivanjica	Development of the Main Design for the Kindergarten in Crnoljevo	<b>5,667 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the kindergarten in Crnoljevo which covers 20% of Ivanjica area and would contribute to providing accommodation to 115 children, which is 80% of the total number of preschool children in Ivanjica and should have positive impact on family preservation, upbringing and proper direction of youth at the earliest age.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Merošina	Development of the Main Design for Energy Efficiency Measures in the Primary School "Jastrebački Partizani", Oblačina in Merošina Municipality	<b>7,519 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for energy efficiency measures in the Primary School "Jastrebački partizani" in Oblačina will plan for the heating and electrical installations, façade, insulation of floors and walls, reconstruction of the roof and carpentry and will improve the overall studying condition for the students.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Preševo	Development of the Main Design for Improvement of Energy Efficiency in the Primary School "Zenel Ajdini" in the Village Raince, Preševo Municipality	<b>1,350 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the improvement of energy efficiency in the primary school "Zenel Ajdini", in the village Raince, aimed to increase the quality of life of the students.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Preševo	Development of the Main Design for Improvement of Energy Efficiency in the Primary School "Dituri", in the Village Crnotince, Preševo Municipality	<b>1,350 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the improvement of energy efficiency in the primary school "Dituri" in the village of Crnotince, aimed to increase the quality of life of the students.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Svrljig	Development of the Main Design for Improvement of Energy Efficiency of the Primary School "Dobriša Stambolić" in Svrljig	<b>4,198 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for improvement of energy efficiency of the primary school "Dobriša Stambolić" in Svrljig will allow improvement in the school's energy efficiency.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Tutin	Development of the Main Design for the Construction of the School in Mala Ravan	<b>22,722 Euros</b>	The development of the main design for the construction of the school in Mala Ravan would contribute to constructing social infrastructure necessary in Tutin - one of the youngest municipalities in Serbia (children aged 6-14 make over 17% of total population) which will in turn improve the quality of educational services in the area.

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Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Vranje	Development of the Main Design for Reconstruction and Extension of Primary School "Branislav Nušić" in Rataje	5,185 Euros	The development of the main design for reconstruction of the existing, ten classroom school object in Rataje to improve the quality of educational services in the area.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Vranje	Development of the Main Design for Construction of New Kindergarten in Vranje	9,540 Euros	The development of the main design for construction of the preschool institution in Vranje "Našedete" to supplement the existing but scarce preschool capacities in the City.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Žitorađa	Development of the Main Design for the Improvement of Energy Efficiency in Primary School "Toplički heroji" in the Village Pejkovac, Žitorađa Municipality	1,039 Euros	The development of the main design for the improvement of energy efficiency in the primary school "Toplički heroji" in the village of Pejkovac, aimed to increase the quality of life of the students.
Infrastructure / Main Design Development	Žitorađa	Preparation of Main Design for the Improvement of Energy Efficiency in Primary School "Toplički heroji" in Žitorađa	1,289 Euros	Preparation of main design for the improvement of energy efficiency in primary school "Toplički heroji" in Žitorađa.
Infrastructure / Construction of Bujanovac Faculty	Bujanovac	Construction of the Subotica Faculty of Economics, Bujanovac Department Building	767,345 Euros	Construction of the new building for the Subotica Faculty of Economics, Bujanovac Department. This modern object of 2,300 m <sup>2</sup> provides high quality conditions for education of over 400 current students, half of which are Serbs and half Albanian.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Bela Palanka	Reconstruction of the primary school "Ljupče Španac"	62,393 Euros	The working conditions in a school with more than 700 pupils will improve, which should positively impact the wider municipal strategic approach to increasing the energy efficiency of public buildings. The works include the replacement of the complete roof of the building, as well as adaptation of the basement.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Leskovac	Improvement of energy efficiency in Primary School "Trajko Stamenkovic" in Leskovac	95,000 Euros	Primary School "Trajko Stamenkovic" in Leskovac will improve its energy efficiency through energy restoration. Joinery will be replaced, façade restored and the lights will be converted into a low energy system. Working conditions in the school, as well as the health and safety conditions, will improve for 846 pupils and 87 staff members.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Surdulica	Reconstruction of the school in Suvojnica village	100,000 Euros	This village school in Surdulica, which shares its premises with the kindergarten, is essential for encouraging local population to remain in the village. This emphasises the relevance of the intervention, which is further strengthened with the energy efficiency aspects of the project, as well as good governance, as the residents will have the opportunity to participate in managing the facility and to use the facility for social activities.

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Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Tutin	Constructing of the primary school building in Zapadni Mojstir	<b>83,173</b> Euros	Construction of the primary school building in Zapadni Mojstir, including the school yard and playground will create conditions for better performance and the implementation of higher education standards for 48 children from the communities of Zapadni Mojstir, Istočni Mojstir, Batrage and Čulije.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Kuršumlja	Toward Environmentally Sustainable and Accountable Community through Application of Energy Efficiency Concepts	<b>100,000</b> Euros	The reconstruction of the main building of the "Miloje Zakić" Primary School will improve energy efficiency and working conditions for 600 pupils. The project is a part of a strategic municipal approach to increasing energy efficiency in public facilities, which should create preconditions for transforming Kuršumlja into an energy sustainable municipality.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Prijepolje	Rehabilitation of the Sports Hall with the Supporting Equipment	<b>91,701</b> Euros	After the reconstruction, over 1,000 elementary and high school students, more than 60 teachers and approximately 400 kindergarten children will be able to develop their sport affinities and skills in favourable conditions, with improved energy efficiency and with necessary sports equipment. Furthermore, the security of the students will be improved, as they will not need to cross the highway on their way to the physical education classes. The other classes will also not need to be shortened due to children travelling between facilities for physical education.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Crna Trava	Improving energy efficiency in the Technical School "Milentije Popović"	<b>100,000</b> Euros	Reconstruction of the building of the Technical School "Milentije Popović" in Crna Trava will improve energy efficiency and create better living and working conditions for 185 students and 54 staff members. The project will also help raise public awareness about the importance of using renewable energy sources at the municipal level.
Infrastructure / Local Infrastructure Project	Blace	Replacement of old floors in the Primary School "Stojan Novaković"	<b>61,600</b> Euros	Replacing the old floors in the "Stojan Novaković" Primary School in Blace should contribute to the improvement of sanitary, living and learning conditions for the 687 currently enrolled students and the 1,437 children ages 0-14 living in Blace.
Social Inclusion	Preševo / Bujanovac	Teaching Assistants to Local Teachers in Elementary Schools of Preševo and Bujanovac Teaching Serbian as Non-Mother Tongue	<b>110,128</b> Euros	Direct support is being provided to over 1,000 Albanian children of primary school age in order to improve their command of the Serbian language by engaging six assistants to Serbian language teachers in four primary schools in Bujanovac and Preševo. After the first year of implementation, results of conducted tests indicated that the children substantially improved their knowledge of the language. Moreover, around 2,800 Albanian children in 16 schools in Bujanovac, Preševo and Medveđa were supported through the donation of textbooks and educational material for learning Serbian as a non-mother language.





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Social Inclusion / Social Inclusion Activities	Vranje	Music Art Project Orchestras and Choirs of Hope - "El Sistema"	30,000 Euros	The first project aimed at introducing the inclusive El Sistema programme into Vranje and Vranjska Banja. The project includes young artists who sing and play wind instruments and aims to facilitate inclusion of children from disadvantaged groups into the education system through the application of inclusive El Sistema methodology. Around 90 children were involved in the project. More than 70 hours of classes, two master classes with international music experts and three concerts conducted. The evaluation conducted at the end of the project has indicated that the project has contributed to the better inclusion of children from marginalised groups and the improvement of their creative, emotional and intellectual capacity for music.
Social Inclusion / Social Inclusion Activities	Vranje	Music Art Project Orchestras and Choirs of Hope - "El Sistema" 2	47,740 Euros	The continuation of the Music Art Project with the aim to widen the network of schools/institutions implementing El Sistema methodology. Three more primary schools will be included in the El Sistema programme, in addition to music school from Vranje. Around 200 children from four schools and 4 LSGs are covered by this intervention (50% from the most marginalised and vulnerable groups). Over 200 hours of classes based on inclusive El Sistema methodology are carried out, as well as four master classes held by two national renewed experts and an international musical expert.
Social Inclusion / Citizens Involvement Fund (CIF)	Bujanovac	Joint Students' Cooperative as A Model for Overcoming of Inter-Ethnic Distance Between Young Albanian and Serbs in Bujanovac Municipality	18,000 Euros	Establishment of a joint student cooperative aimed at facilitating the long term cooperation between two high schools - "Sveti Sava" and "Sezaj Suroj" and developing inter-ethnic dialogue between Albanian and Serbian youth. Over 30 students and four teachers of both nationalities were involved in establishing a cooperative that offers printing services and souvenir production. The students have also jointly produced a bilingual magazine.
Social Inclusion / Citizens Involvement Fund (CIF)	Surdulica	For Better Tomorrow	14,831 Euros	Improving Serbian language skills and the familiarisation with the school setting for the Roma preschool children intended to decrease school dropout and improve success rate amongst Roma children. Over 700 classes for 15 children of preschool age were conducted, during which their developmental needs were addressed and their command of the Serbian language was improved. This has, in turn, influenced the fact that all of the children enrolled into the first grade. Moreover, the classroom was equipped with educational material and technical equipment for future work with children.
Social Inclusion / Citizens Involvement Fund (CIF)	Vladičin Han	Centre for Integration of Roma People	17,198 Euros	Integration of Roma population in Vladičin Han into educational and social system through organisation of preparatory classes for preschool and school age Roma children, seminars for parents, public forums and actions as well as helping integration of seasonal migrants and returnees. Over 700 additional classes were organised for 75 children, as well as two workshops for parents dedicated to raising awareness on the importance of education, which contributed to the number of children dropping out of school. Moreover, six workshops for 20 migrant returnee families were organised based on the Readmission Agreement, in order to facilitate their reintegration.



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Social Inclusion Women Entrepreneurship	Prokuplje	Speech pathology and educational centre	<b>4,618</b> Euros	A hopeful woman entrepreneur was supported in starting up a speech pathology and educational centre through the procurement of adequate equipment.
Good Governance and Social Inclusion / Support to Roma Inclusion	Vranje	Support to Roma Children in Maintaining Continuity in Education	<b>9,852</b> Euros	Individual support to children and youth through workshops on Serbian language and mathematics with peer support. Through these workshops, 25 Roma children (15 boys and 10 girls) grades I-IV, have improved their knowledge of mathematics and Serbian language.
Good Governance and Social Inclusion / Support to Roma Inclusion	Vladičin Han	Roma Educational Incubator	<b>9,203</b> Euros	Various forms of educational support aimed at improving the learning capacities and skills of 109 children (53 boys and 56b girls) attending primary and secondary school. The support included additional classes and workshops, as well as the organisation of volunteering.
Good Governance and Social Inclusion / Citizens Involvement Fund	Medveđa/ Bujanovac/ Preševo	Cultural Needs of Youth in Bujanovac, Preševo and Medveđa	<b>14,932</b> Euros	Contribution to the cultural life of youth in Preševo, Bujanovac and Medveđa by conducting a research to define their problems and cultural needs and the promotion of the results of the assessment.
Competitiveness / Cluster Support	Knjaževac	Cluster Support - tourism Cluster "Stara Planina" aspires to Enhance the Rural tourism in Knjaževac Municipality	<b>14,932</b> evra	Project that aims to increase the competitiveness of ten small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and households involved in rural tourism "Network to Success" through a combination of promotion innovation activities, education programmes and mentoring support.
Competitiveness / Cluster Support	Leskovac/ Lebane/ Prokuplje	Cluster Support - South Serbia Fruit Cluster "Tech - Up"	<b>27,440</b> evra	Project to foster the development of the new efficient technologies within the fruit processing companies -members of the Regional Fruit Cluster. The project involves a combination of a small scale improvements, education programmes and knowledge-based information sharing.

TYPES OF PROJECTS		NUMBER of projects	VALUE of projects in Euros
	INFRASTRUCTURE	21	1,530,192
	SOCIAL INCLUSION	10	276,502
	COMPETITIVENESS	2	54,434
	TOTAL	33	1,861,128