



Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-Border Programme
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Project number: 2007CB16IPO006-2009-1-12
Project name: CLEANING OF VILLAGES AND TRIBUTARIES OF THE DANUBE FROM WASTE

Project partners:

- **Lead partner:** Municipality of Majdanpek, Serbia
- **Project partner 2:** Municipality of Dimovo, Bulgaria
- **Project partner 3:** Public Communal Enterprise Donji Milanovac, Serbia

Budget: 414 327,37 Euro

Project duration: 12 months

Project description:

The overall objective of the project was sustainable protection of the river Danube in the areas of municipalities Majdanpek and Dimovo. One of the specific objectives was to keep the villages and towns which are placed on the river Danube and its tributaries banks without waste. Another very important specific objective was to raise awareness on environmental issues through education in elementary schools and involving the local media. The project objectives were achieved through the following specific activities:

- Elaboration of data base of illegal dump sites of house hold and other solid waste. According to data base of illegal wild dumps partners have removed all the waste with backhoe loader and took it away with tipper truck;
- Purchasing of investment equipment – tipper truck and backhoe loader for both partners, Municipality of Majdanpek and Dimovo;
- Cleaning, rehabilitation and re-cultivation of illegal dump sites;
- Supply of the soil (humus) for re-cultivation and rehabilitation of the terrain. Approximately 30cm thick layer of humus was spread on the previously cleaned dumps;
- Supply of 200 containers for house hold waste of which 50 for glass, 50 for plastic and 100 for other house hold waste. All of the containers have been placed in the villages within the both municipalities;
- Rising awareness among school children among 7-14 years old about importance of environmental issues, hiring a lecturer and printing of t-shirts, caps, brochures and posters.

The project was successfully completed in November 2012.



The waste from the illegal dumping sites has been removed with backhoe loaders and taken away with tipper trucks.



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The barren ground revealed after the clearing has been cover with a layer of soil in order to facilitate the recovery of the land. Additionally, 200 waste containers have been set on the multiple sites in order to prevent future pollution in the area.



Organizing lectures for increasing awareness among school children about importance of environmental issues has been an important part of the project.



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