



**Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-Border Programme**  
CCI Number 2007CB16IPO006

**Project number:** 2007CB16IPO006-2009-1-15  
**Project name:** REGIONAL INTEGRATION WITH SOCIAL EFFECT  
**Project partners:**

- **Lead partner:** "Free Youth Centre" Vidin, Bulgaria
- **Project partner 2:** Association "Open Club", Serbia

**Budget:** 86 342,76 Euro  
**Project duration:** 12 months

**Project description:**

- The main goal of the project was to contribute to the social cohesion in the Bulgarian–Serbian border area by improving the capacity and potential for cooperation in the social sphere (with a focus on child protection). The project goal was achieved through the following activities:
- Creation and publishing of a joint data-base for social services and providers in the target region. A data-base with 152 records of providers and social services in the border area was created and published on the project web-site;
- Establishing a network of social agents, active in the target region. More than 58 institutions and organizations took part of the project activities and had the opportunity to collaborate;
- Production of a report based on research of 145 beneficiaries concerning the current situation in social sphere in the whole border region;
- Promotion and transparency of the achievements in social sphere - an exposition was presented in both countries. A project web site was developed and is available on the following address: [www.projectrise.eu](http://www.projectrise.eu)
- Secure the sustainability of the Euro-regional cooperation in social field - A methodical centre for CBC in social sphere was created and a joint consortium registered (the RISE association).

The project was successfully completed in July 2012.



*Photos from project events*



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*Screenshot of the project web site: [www.projectrise.eu](http://www.projectrise.eu)*



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