

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

**Project number:** 2007CB16IPO006-2011-2-184

Project name: MINERAL WATER-SOURCE OF HEALT AND WELL-BEING

Project partners:

Lead partner: Municipality of Dolna Banya, Bulgaria
Project partner 2: Municipality of Nishka Banya, Serbia
Project partner 3: University of Forestry, Bulgaria

Budget: 165 534,23 € Project duration: 12 months

## **Project description:**

The project envisioned and achieved the following results:

- Comparative analysis of the hydrological and hydro-chemical characteristics of mineral water in the cross-border region;
- Identified medico-biological and medico-social preconditions for balneology development in the region;
- Reports for the condition and capacity of Spa centres and wellness tourism in the region;
- Harmonized and integrated district programs and municipality plans in the cross-border region regarding utilization of mineral water;
- Presented the best available practices for full use of mineral water for "Balneology Wellness Spa Tourism BWST" to the investors;
- Improved skills of students end employed in the field of "BSWT". Improved qualifications. Improved quality of services and offered products;
- Developed web site platform with integrated regional cross-border interactive "BSWT" map: http://www.wellspring-bgrs.eu/
- Established two information centers "BSWT" in the region.

The project was successfully completed in January 2014.















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