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Project name: Bulgarian-Serbian Innovative Teaching Network – BSIT.NET
Project partners:
▪ **Lead partner:** Free Youth Centre, Bulgaria
▪ **Project partner 2:** Association for Development of Children and Youth - OPEN CLUB, Serbia

Budget: 93 583,28 €

Project duration: 12 months

Project description:

The project envisioned and achieved the following results:

- A research had been conducted to describe both countries educational systems - their structure, priorities, strategies for development, and available practices in encouraging of innovative methods in education;
- Implementation of 2 joint thematic forums in Bulgaria and Serbia in order to support the exchange of best practices and cooperation between educational professionals from the border region. The forum participants had been teachers and other specialists (i.e. principals, psychologists, etc.);
- Creation of a web platform in order to ensure communication, exchange of information and best practices between members of the network: <http://bsitnet.eu>
- A group of 20 representatives of the target group (10 per each country), have passed training for NGO development – strategic planning, project planning, advocacy, work with media, etc.
- The creation of the professional network as a formal structure took place in Vidin in a two-day conclusion forum. The forum included 30 representatives of the target groups (15 from every country), who have elaborated necessary documents (i.e. Statute, Strategic plan.) of the network and prepared its court registration as an international NGO.
- A collection with selected materials from the project (i.e. research report, best practices of teaching, etc.) have been prepared in both languages and distributed among the target groups and decision makers in Bulgaria and Serbia (250 issues).

The project was successfully completed in April 2014.



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