



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

**Project number:** 2007CB16IPO006-2011-2-26  
**Project name:** MOBILE INTERNET, E SERVICES AND TRAINING FOR RURAL COMMUNITY IN CROSS BORDER REGION

**Project partners:**

- **Lead partner:** Centre for Development of Jablanica and Pcinja Districts, Serbia
- **Project partner 2:** Agency for Economic Development Kostinbrod, Bulgaria
- **Project partner 3:** Municipality of Surdulica, Serbia

**Budget:** 262 856,29 €  
**Project duration:** 12 months

**Project description:**

The project envisioned and achieved the following results:

- Procurement of a mobile internet and research unit (MIRTU) consisting of: a vehicle (Ford S-max), 10 laptop computers, mobile internet hub, software and e-books;
- Conducted Internet training and research for rural community in the cross-border region involving 200 people from 20 communities. The trainings gave better access to information infrastructure and knowledge for using ICT technologies in education and business;
- Conducted E-services and training sessions using 2 sets of web conference equipment. One web conference with 4 training modules was held between village of Alakince and Kostinbrod;
- Prepared and published an E-inclusion study;
- Establishment of a community Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) centre in the village of Alakince (Surdulica Municipality). The centre is designed and equipped to provide full access to ICT resources to rural population from the region, such as training, internet and web conferencing;
- Organization of awareness raising and visibility activities and events.

The project was successfully completed in November 2014.



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*The ICT training centre before (top photo) and after the renovation (bottom photo)*



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