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- The City of Niš and the City of Veliko Tarnovo have traditionally had good relations since 1996. Official contacts between the two cities were renewed this year with the most sincere intention to strengthen cultural, economic, university and any other cooperation between the cities. The delegation from Veliki Tarnovo, cooperati ssi

Stability for All , implemented by the Municipality of Sliven, Bulgaria and funded by the European Union within the program Europe for Citizens. The aim of the United Europe- Security, Solidarity and Stability for All Project is the cooperation of local authorities in Sliven (Bulgaria) with the cities of Nis (Serbia) and Bydgoszcz (Poland) in European contexts and promotion of solidarity in times of crisis, their mutual cooperation in economy, education, health, social activities, tourism and the arts, as well as intercultural dialogue and mutual understanding. The project leader is Sliven Municipality, Bulgaria, and the partners in the project are the City of Nis, Serbia and the City of Bydgoszcz (Poland). The time of realization of the proposed project is in the period from 08/09/2019 until 29/09/2019. The total value of the project is EUR 24 990 and the project is fully funded by EU funds. Activities within the project are divided into the following activities: 1) An international meeting to sign the Letter of Intent; 2) Cultural Forum Europe Our Common European Home; 3) Economic Forum The future of Europe Employment, Growth and Investment We Can Do More Together 4) Youth forum on United Europe Security, Solidarity and Stability .

- After eight months of construction the Visitor Center near Cerje Cave is open to all visitors. Here, adrenaline lovers, cavers, and tourists alike will be able to get all the information they need, as well as the equipment they need to get into the cave. The Visitor Center is a joint project of the Tourism Organization of Nis, the City of Sofia and the Association of Citizens Love and Light from Montana, Bulgaria, and it was implemented within the Interrerg IPA Program of Cross-border Cooperation between Serbia and Bulgaria.

- Organized by the Consul General of the Republic of Bulgaria in Nis, prof. Edwin Sugarev, the roundtable entitled The European Perspective of Serbia and the

University of Nis, organized by the Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria in Belgrade. The conference was

- The Bulgarian delegation led by the Deputy Mayor of Sofia visited the City of Nis to discuss opportunities for co-operation in the fields of security and health

where he met with the Mayor of the Bulgarian capital, Ms. Jordanka Fondakova. During the meeting of the two mayors it was pointed out that Nis and Sofia could cooperate in the field of culture, tourism and education and implement joint initiatives to promote the cultural heritage of both cities. Also, the Sofia-Nis Tourism Destination Management project has been launched under the Bulgaria-Serbia IPA Cross-border Cooperation Program. The project has a total value of 150,000 and involves the development of a common tourist route, the setting up of information desks in the cities and the creation of a common portal and mobile phone application. In this way tourists will be able to quickly and easily plan their holidays, select the sites to see and events they will be able to visit.

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- Nis City Mayor and his associates held the meeting at

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protection of cultural and historical heritage in the process of development of the modern city. The Bulgarian delegation offered the City of Nis the opportunity to participate in a project aimed at drafting a single act for all partner countries to work on the project, in accordance with local laws and regulations, to preserve cultural and historical heritage. Potential partners are the City of Sofia, Graz, Paris and Barcelona. The project would be funded by European Union funds.

held in the Bulgarian town of Stara Zagora. The