



dates back to World War II, when thousands of Serbs were in Nazi concentration camps in Norway, where they encountered enormous friendship and support from the Norwegian people. The association also engages in the



Norway. The friendship that was then formed between the prisoners and the local population continued through the cooperation and twinning of municipalities and cities from the Province of Norland and the Republic of Serbia. In the Norwegian municipality of Saltdal, Botn, where the largest Serbian cemetery in Northern Norway is located, in honor of Yugoslav prisoners interned during World War II in Norway, wreaths were laid on the plaque by Norwegian King Harald Fifth and Serbian Ambassador to Norway Suzana Boskovic Prodanovic. The Nis City Delegation spoke with the Mayor of Saltdal Municipality on several occasions, expressing mutual wish to continue developing relations that began in 1985 and were renewed by the 2002 agreement.

2008

- Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the Ministry of Labor and Social Policy within the project Support to the Implementation of the Social Welfare Development Strategy in Serbia. This Memorandum regulates joint cooperation in the framework of the project Support to the Implementation of the Social Welfare Development Strategy in Serbia, jointly funded by the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Norway. The w ad expul at the eel opmt he



development of small and medium-sized enterprises within a common space and to enable them to operate independently.

2004

- Regional Center for Professional Development of Employees in Education in Nis was established with the assistance of Norwegian government with the grant in the amount of 1,315,000 euros. The Regional Center is the first institution of regional type in Serbia for professional development of employees in education. Activities of the Center are the following: organization of seminars and other forms of professional development; analysis of the needs for professional development of employees in education; analysis of the offer of professional development programs; planning training for other types of vocational training; assistance in creating new professional development programs; monitoring the implementation of different forms of professional development; cooperation with the Institute and other Centers for Professional Development; cooperation with the local community; cooperation with the Ministry of Education and the School Board.

2002

- The Government of the Kingdom of Norway has donated 4.5 million German marks for the first phase of the Nis airport rehabilitation. The airport was officially opened on October 12, 2003.
- The cooperation with the Municipality of Saltdal was renewed by signing the Letter of Intent. The cooperation began in 1986 and was interrupted by wars and sanctions.

2000

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