

10 MORE DAYS BEFORE WOMEN'S EUROBASKET 2019

June 17

Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic, the Member of Nis City Council for Sports Branislav Kacar and Director of Nis Tourism Organisation Uros Parlic greeted the participants of the Basketball March in front of Nis City Hall. Thus the counting down of the last 10 days before the beginning of Women's EuroBasket 2019 started. On this occasion the Mayor pointed out that Nis was ready for the tournament and that it would be the best possible host to the national teams of

Hungary, Turkey, Italy and Slovenia which would be playing their matches in Sports Hall Cair. The girls, the participants of the Basketball March, presented the official ball of the championship to the Mayor and then went on, followed by the drums, to march through main city streets drawing attention of the public to the start of the Women's EuroBasket Championship in Serbia and Nis in 10 days. The matches will be played in Nis, Zrenjanin and Riga (Latvia) while the final match will be played in Belgrade.

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Visitors' Center at Cerjanska Cave has been officially opened in the presence of Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic, the president of Nis City Municipality Pantelej Bratimir Vasiljevic, the leaders of cities of Sofia and Montana, the partner from Bulgaria and the director of Nis Tourism Organisation Uros Parlic. The visitors' center is 250 meters in size, the first of its kind in the Nisava District and it is intended for fans of adrenaline sports, cave explorers, visitors and tourists, and it will have a reception area with dressing room – wardrobe, cafeteria, souvenir shop and administrative center. The visitor center was created as a joint project by Tourist Organizations of Nis, the City of Sofia and the Association "Love and Light" from Montana within the EU Interrerg IPA program of cross-border cooperation between Serbia and Bulgaria. According to Mayor Bulatovic this project aims to use and promote this great natural monument, educational, scientific and historical heritage of Nis and the development of tourism as a branch that occupies an increasingly important place in the economy of Nis.

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The 2019 European Women Basketball Championship, commonly called EuroBasket Women 2019 will be the 37th edition of the continental tournament in women's basketball, sanctioned by the FIBA Europe. The tournament will be co-held in Serbia and Latvia from 27 June to 7 July 2019. By symbolic countdown the official promotion of the European Championship for women in basketball started. Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatović pressed the button marking the beginning of the countdown to EuroBasket Women 2019 which would start in Nis for exactly 100 days. "By symbolically starting these watches, we remind ourselves and the citizens that we have begun counting for the last 100 days until EuroBasket Women 2019. I would like to cordially welcome all the guests to the imperial Nis, and for our basketball players I wish great matches, victories and winning of gold!" as Nis City Mayor said.

MACEDONIAN SPORTS DELEGATION VISITED NIS

Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic met with the Macedonian sports delegation that was visiting the city as a guest of the Section of Sports Journalists in Nis, on the occasion of the event of the presenting the award to the athletes of the year from Nis, organized by the Section of Sports Journalists. The delegation was comprised of the leaders of the Association of Sports Journalists of Macedonia, Mr. Bosko Trpeski and Mr. Dejan Tanevski, as well as the Macedonian football legends Mr. Koco Dimitrovski and Mr. Blagoj Istatov. Mayor Bulatovic pointed out that the two countries had good diplomatic and sports relations, and especially emphasized that both nations

achieved significant results in the collective and individual sport. He announced that the City of Nis had new plans related to the improvement of sports infrastructure in Nis, which would greatly affect the future goals of Nis clubs and their achievements. He announced that City of Nis would try to find the suitable location for the construction of a multifunctional hall, which would create all the necessary conditions for maintaining the world's highest sports ranking in Nis.

CITY OF NIS RECEIVED RECOGNITION FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE MOUNTAINEERING DEVELOPMENTG

Nis City Mountaineering Association, which brings together four renowned mountain hiking and mountaineering clubs, has achieved remarkable results in the field of mountaineering, sports climbing and promotion of healthy habits of our fellow citizens this year, which once again confirmed its high status in this field of sports in our country. On this occasion, this association presented more than 20 recognition-and-thank-you notes to the Nis mountain climbers who conquered peaks over 4,000 meters, as well as to the best athlete from Nis Stasa Gejo, who won the first place at the European championship in climbing in the category of bolder and the fourth place in the overall placement. According to the Deputy Mayor Milos Bandjur, who greeted the members of the Mountaineering

Association and Head of the Mountaineering Association of Serbia Isa Planic at the City Hall, the mountaineers were excellent promoters of Nis as well as of healthy lifestyles. Nis Mountaineering Association presented recognition-and-thank-you note to the City of Nis for the successful cooperation and contribution to the development of mountaineering.

MODERN SPORT COURTS IN THE FORTRESS TRENCHES SOON

October 31st

Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic together with his associates has visited the sport courts in the trenches of the Nis Fortres which are being reconstructed. The goal of the City of Nis is to revitalize the abandoned and decript sport courts which used to be used for recreation for more than a decade. The first phase includes basketball courts with stands and dressing rooms, the second phase includes the volleyball courts, while the third includes football field and athletic track. The realization of this project would provide new terrains for recreation, training and competitive activities, for volleyball, handball, basketball, gymnastics and athletics. The value of the works is about 50 million dinars, funded from the city budget, and partly by donations.

RECEPTION FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION OF SERBIA

October 24th

Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic and Nis City Council Member Branislav Kacar met today with the the delegation of the Volleyball Federation of Serbia led by the president Zoran Gajic and accompanied by the vice president Ivan Miljkovic, the president of Nisava District Valleyball Federation Ljubodrag Brkic. On this occasion Mayor Bulatovic said that Nis was the city of sports and the city leaders were trying to provide maximum support to the development of sport. He also stressed that the volleyball was very popular sport in Nis and that the city management would continue to work on the popularization of this sport and securing the best possible conditions for achieving top results. The president of the Volleyball Federation of Serbia thanked the city management for the readiness to continue supporting volleyball in the city. He said he was particularly impressed by how much the city leaders were conscious of the fact that the development of the volleyball in this part of Serbia had great potentials and promised that they would help as the federation.

FUTSAL IS RETURNING TO NIS

September 22nd

Serbian representatives in futsal held the press conference at

Nis City Hall together with Nis City Mayor Darko Bulatovic and announced the match against the selection of the Czech Republic selection for European Championships which will be held in Slovenia. In the first qualifying round Serbia beat Poland with 4:0, while they were defeated by the current champions, the Spanish national team. The mayor wished them a successful stay in Nis, a city where the best futsal is being played. According to the expectations of the home team, the match against the Czech Republic will be exciting and dynamic, but they hope that our players will celebrate the victory in Nis to ensure participation in the European Championship in Ljubljana.

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