



A better life for internally  
displaced persons and returnees



<b>Project Fact Sheet</b> <b>“Strengthening and Supporting Sustainable Return”</b> Project funded by the European Union and managed by the EU Delegation to the Republic of Serbia and implemented by Danish Refugee Council with the City of Kragujevac, Bozur and Sveti Spas.	
<b>Total duration of the action</b>	23 months – starting date: 1 July 2018
<b>Objectives of the action</b>	<p><b>The Overall Objective</b> of the Action is to support the sustainable return of internally displaced persons (IDPs) wishing to return to Kosovo*<sup>1</sup>, promoting social and economic stabilisation.</p> <p><b>The Specific Objective</b> of the Action is to facilitate the internally displaced persons pursuing and achieving a sustainable return to Kosovo* by strengthening their employment opportunities.</p> <p>The present Action will address the priority needs of the IDPs in Serbia, and it will be implemented in close cooperation with EU Delegation, the Office for Kosovo and Metohija, Commissariat for Refugees and Migration as well as UNHCR, municipalities Serbia wide and other relevant stakeholders.</p> <p>The Action supports the Government of the Republic of Serbia priorities through established strategic framework, the National Strategy for solving the problems of Refugees and IDPs and Strategy for Sustainable Subsistence and Return, contributing to support IDPs wishing to return through the provision of needed support in the preparation stages of their return process as well as during return. The project will work in synergy with other projects funded by the EU and other donors working in the same sector or providing complementary assistance solutions.</p>
<b>Partners</b>	The City of Kragujevac, CSO Bozur and Sveti Spas.
<b>Target group</b>	The Action will target wide IDP population in Serbia through the implementation of the outreach campaign on return-related issues, covering private accommodation, as well as informal settlements/collective centres. Further, 90 IDPs will be economically strengthened to support sustainability of their return. At least 30 families (approx. 108 individuals) who are pursuing their return solution will be as well provided with technical and administrative assistance, referral to reconstruction agencies providing housing and reintegration solutions in Kosovo*, assistance kits and as well with return transport assistance according to their individual need. Attention will be devoted to encouraging women’s participation, as well as Roma social inclusion.
<b>Final beneficiaries</b>	Local communities and local municipalities in Serbia.
<b>Estimated results</b>	1. Information/outreach campaign implemented providing reliable and updated information to wide IDP population in Serbia on the return possibilities and available support; 2. IDP families facilitated to return to Kosovo*; 3. Enhanced return opportunities to Kosovo* by strengthening employment/income generation support to IDPs in the process of return and provision of needed assistance.
<b>Main activities</b>	1. Extensive outreach visits to private accommodation and collective centres/informal settlement; preparation and distribution of information material; organisation of 8 return-related meetings and 5 public presentations; organisation of 12 Go-and-See Visits to Kosovo*; organisation of 3 Return Round Tables/Workshop. 2. Review and update return-related selection criteria; identification and needs assessment of IDPs wishing to pursue their return options; provision of technical and administrative assistance; referring IDPs interested to return to housing reconstruction agencies in Kosovo*; provision of return transportation and assistance kits to 30 IDP families (approx. 108 individuals). 3. Design and deliver vocational training/professional courses for 90 IDPs in service related fields, craftsmanship, agricultural incentives, etc.; provision of 60 income generation grants to IDP families (approx. 216 individuals) for starting up small business/agriculture-oriented activities.

<sup>1</sup> This designation is without prejudice to position on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244/99 and the International Court of Justice Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence



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