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**Press Release  
Prizren, a centre of chaotic parking**

EC Ma Ndryshe in cooperation with other civil society organizations has conducted a public performance entitled "Shadervan Parking", through which activity has drawn the attention to the issue of private parking lots in the historic area of Prizren.

Because of this performance, Shadërvani square for one hour turned into a parking area for vehicles, as a reaction against private parking in the Historic Centre, and because of the demolition of old houses and the adoption of their lands into parking lots. While on the other side, the state institutions have not taken any actions to implement the law.

As part of this activity in the Arasta and Stone Bridge were placed some "Shadervan Parking" makeshift signs. In Shadervan Square, parking data was presented as well as a number of vehicles were parked there.

Of 34 parking lots in and around the historic center of Prizren, some 25 have been created by the demolition of old houses. Of the total area of parking lots, only 4.3 per cent are public parking, while 60.6 percent were private and 31.4 percent are informal parking on sidewalks and roads, which impedes the freedom of movement.

Also, the relevant institutions have not come up with a solution to the problem of parking, whereas the private sector has therefore taken over the development of this activity, with a chaotic distribution.

Thus, the recommendation that is being addressed to the relevant institutions is to draft a mobility plan, with a focus on the city public transport and cycling trails, as well as undertaking legal actions against private parking lots, including their parking signs which are obstacles on sidewalks and streets.

The public performance "Shadervan Parking" is implemented within the project "Inclusive City ...", funded by Olof Palme International Center (OPIC), which is supported by the Swedish Government. The project "Inclusive City...", aims to articulate the needs of community groups and transform them into viable urban plans for the municipality of Prizren. Community groups which are working on this project are distributed in different neighborhoods of the city.

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