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PRESS RELEASE Extensive mobilization for a Prizren which is accessible for all

EC Ma Ndryshe in partnership with the Organization of Persons with Muscular Dystrophy in Kosovo on Tuesday signed a memorandum of understanding with local/central public institutions and enterprises in Prizren to remove the obstacles of people with disabilities. This aims for a city that is accessible for all.

EC with local/central public institutions and enterprises have agreed to continue cooperation in a structured manner within the initiative to remove barriers of people with disabilities in the buildings of those respective institutions and in Prizren's public space. This focuses to address the challenges of accessibility for the people with disabilities in Prizren. The parties agree to structure their engagement in the form of a cooperation agreement aimed at building a barrier-free city and providing equal opportunities for all.

This initiative is in full harmony and helps in meeting the objectives of The National Strategy on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities 2013-2023 and with the Municipality of Prizren's Strategy for Persons with Disabilities 2016-2018

The initiative to remove obstacles for access will be implemented through 2017, 2018 and 2019, starting in May 2017.

The initiative came as a result of the project "Prizren, a city without barriers", which EC and OPDMK carried out during the last year, with the overall aim being to include and increase the participation of persons with disabilities and youth in the designing of Prizren without obstacles.

Institutions of public enterprises signatory to the memorandum are: Municipality of Prizren, Directorate for Public Services, Directorate for Urbanism and Spatial Planning, Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports / Regional Center for Cultural Heritage in Prizren, The Professional Theater

/ House of Culture Prizren, Post of Kosova Prizren, University of Prizren "Ukshin Hoti",

Kosovo Judicial Council / Basic Court Prizren, Kosovo Prosecutorial Council / Basic Prosecution Prizren, Kosovo Police / Regional Directorate of Kosovo Police Prizren, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare / Center for Employment and Vocational Training Prizren.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and media coverage.

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