

## PROJECT NEWSLETTER #3

### SOCIO – PROJECT ORGANIZES THE KICK – OFF CONFERENCE

On May 25, 2017, the City of Prizren was the host of the Kick-Off Conference of the Project: “Socio-Economic Stabilisation of Ethnic Minority and Majority Communities in Kosovo”.

The conference gathered ASB and PREDA Plus staff, municipal leaders from 11 partner municipalities, representatives of Kosovo Employment Agency, business and agriculture associations, women entrepreneur entities, sister-projects, media and other stakeholders. The event was an excellent opportunity for approximately 80 participants to learn more about Socio-Project and upcoming opportunities for creation of sustainable livelihoods and better socio-economic conditions for ethnic minority and majority families in Kosovo through strengthening and supporting business and agriculture association, start-up, micro and small enterprises, agricultural producers, and community development initiatives. The conference was followed by a session with question & answer, which gave interested parties, the opportunity to learn more about specific activities of the Project. During the conference, the staff also informed representatives of business associations operating in 11 partner municipalities, on upcoming training opportunities, designed to build their capacities in development and presentation of project proposals.



[From left to right] Mr. Elmir Bojadzic, ASB’s Regional Director for the South East Europe, Ms. Marijana Milevska, the President of Management Board PREDA Plus, Mr. Valentin Hoxha, Socio-Project Director and participants of the Project Kick-off Conference in Prizren.

The conference was concluded by signing the Memorandums of Cooperation between representatives of the Project and municipal leaders.