Annual Report for the year 2019

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Who are we?
A non-governmental, non-profit Association which wants to inspire and encourage young people to embark entrepreneurship and raise awareness about its importance today. The Association was named after one of the largest Serbian army leaders Živojin Mišić. The man who showed amazing knowledge, innovativeness and the ability to strategic planning, which are the key characteristics of each entrepreneur.
OUR VISION
Serbia in which entrepreneurship has become omnipotent.

OUR MISSION
Our goal is to systematically develop entrepreneurial spirit and ambition among young people through innovative projects. Moreover, our aim is to encourage the development of education by identifying the best teachers Serbia has to offer, who oversee forming future intellectuals of this country.
OUR AIMS

To recognize problems in society which solutions, through projects and activities of Association, have long-term positive effects on young people. To encourage entrepreneurship in young people and to direct them towards perseverance, innovativeness, and initiative. To recognize potential in young people and help in the education of talented children. To encourage citizens and society in general in initiative and belief in above average results.
Why entrepreneurship?

We believe that the best way for the economic recovery and progress of the country is starting one’s own business and creating domestic products. This is the reason why we want to encourage and direct young people in this direction and raise entrepreneurial spirit in them. As Serbia, for centuries backwards, has not been the country in which entrepreneurial culture was fostered, we make an effort to develop entrepreneurial skills and change awareness in young people through projects we have.

Entrepreneurial spirit does not have to mean only starting one’s own business, it is the state of awareness. Entrepreneurial traits mean that someone has initiative, will, creativity, inclination to progress and above - average results, takes responsibility, makes plans in advance, has the vision of his/her progress and the business he does and it is not afraid of taking risks.

People with these traits make progress for their business environment and for themselves as well. Our aim is that the future generations view their job in this way. We are sure that this proactive approach to job will ensure higher prosperity and progress for our country, and therefore, nicer life and pleasure for all its citizens.
Vladimir Prelovac

Since the year 2000, he has been programming professionally. He’s interested in artificial intelligence and he’s constantly thinking of ways to improve mankind.

He is a founder of a domestic company “Devana Technologies”, whose main product is Manage WP, an app which helps users to simultaneously manage multiple WordPress websites. Moreover, this application has a leading position in the WordPress management market. He launched a successful start-up company which reached a revenue of more than a million dollars, in the first year of business. In the year 2013, he has been declared as the best fast-growing entrepreneur by the company “Ernest & Young”.

He has been philanthropically engaged in entrepreneurship, that’s why he founded an association “Živojin Mišić”. Personally, he believes that entrepreneurship is something that can help our country in the long run, not only economically, but to become a regional leader. Through the Association he wants to put big projects into motion, which will help achieving the previously mentioned goals.

Long trips and reading good books are something that fulfils him. He particularly enjoys chess, because it helps developing strategic thinking and teaches us to look a few steps ahead. He loves Pink Floyd, long walks with his wife and daughters and to edit his blog.

His goal is to change the world, but he doesn’t have a code for that yet.
Born on 24th of March 1969 in Požarevac, but since the age of four, she has been living in Šabac. She finished primary school and high school with the highest honours.

Tatjana Marković Topalović

She obtained her bachelor’s degree at the Faculty of Physics in Belgrade, and her magistrature in the field of Medicinal physics, at the Physics department at the University of Novi Sad. Currently, she is finishing her doctorate at the Faculty of Physics in Belgrade, with a title “Scientific visualization physics phenomenon in science parks and schoolyards”. She has been working in education since 1992, she considers her working experience, in three different schools, to be priceless, from both educational and human point of view. She has won multiple awards and proudly highlights two which determined her noble cooperation with the association “Živojin Mišić”. The first is the award in 2014, as one of The Best Educators in Serbia. The second one is to be Serbia’s representative at the Global Teacher Prize competition in 2018.

She founded a community for physics enthusiasts in her school called FIZIXIE, and she ran Science Summer School for Children. She is one of the creators of the first Science Park in Serbia. Based on this park, she influenced the construction of five similar Science Parks across the country. The idea was to create a stimulating and supportive environment for learning science.

She is collaborating with many institutions, both on local (The Centre of Culture, The Theatre, The Office for Youth, The Centre for Professional Development, schools) and national (Association “Živojin Mišić”, CPN, ZVKOV, ZUOV, Museum of Illusions, LINK group, SANU, DFS, Colping team...).

Born as a daughter of a doctor and a professor, mother of two daughters, from whom one is an engineer and the other is studying to become one. She is a wife of an electro-engineer; with whose support she continues to progress and achieve her goals.

A member of vocal group “Šapčanke” and a literary club “Razgovori”. She is direct, tenacious, strict, eloquent, honest and deeply believes in the power of education, educated individual and the society changed by education. Her motto is: “Children should be given roots and wings”.
Ivona Jovanović is the coordinator of the Entrepreneurship Promotion Association “Živojin Mišić”, since the year 2016.

Ivona Jovanović

Acquired her bachelor’s degree in Journalism and Communication Science at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Belgrade. Later, she attained a master’s degree in Communication Science and Public Relations, at the Faculty for Media and Communication in Belgrade. For the best-written assignment on the topic “50 years of the RTS”, she was granted a scholarship for the school of journalism, led by Vesna Dedić. Currently, she is finishing the Project Management Institute, with a goal of further self-improvement.

First work experiences she gained at the age of 16 and since then she believes that each person is responsible for their own future. Therefore, she is persistent in motivating youth to be bold, innovative and successful in their work, because the world remains on them. She believes that this is how everyone would be happier and pleased with themselves and their environment.

Since the year 2013, she has been a part of national and international projects, working on the improvement of education with various NGOs, with a belief that entrepreneurship is the base of Serbia’s prosperity.

By living and working in the United States of America she improved her English language, aside from that she speaks Spanish. She finds inspiration in painting, travelling, meeting different cultures and spending time with her friends.

She believes that if we desire something hard enough, believe in it and work on it, everything is possible. As Walt Disney said: “All our dreams can be achieved if we’re brave enough to follow them”.
Isidora Kadijević is born on the 25th of April 1997. She obtained her bachelor’s degree at the Faculty of Tourism and Hospitality Management in Belgrade.

Isidora Kadijević

As a part of the “Work & Travel” program, she spent time in the United States of America improving English.
Throughout her education, she was a delegate of the Youth European Parliament, where she acquired numerous acquaintances around the world.
Since the year 2018, she has been a part of the Entrepreneurship Promotion Association “Živojin Mišić”, working on the improvement of her organizational and professional networking skills.
She believes that she broadened her professional views by getting familiar with the “western” system. She is ready to acquire new knowledge and skills, moreover, as a part of the team, take part in the realisation of various projects.
Her big desire is to learn two more foreign languages. She doesn't believe in the conflicts but trusts that with a compromise, you can overcome every situation.
As a person who is trying to progress on a personal and professional level, her motto is: “If you want to succeed, never stop learning”.

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ABOUT US

The Association for the Promotion of Entrepreneurship “Živojin Mišić” was found in 2013 in Belgrade, wishing to improve society and support entrepreneurship as formula for the economic progress and recovery of the country.

The Association has been founded by a Serbian enterprise “Prelovac Media” (now Devana Technologies) on the initiative of its employees and the concept creator was Vladimir Prelovac, the founder of the enterprise and the chairman. Wishing to inspire young people and show them the direction of development which will lead both them and their environment to success, the enterprise has decided to invest part of its profit in this idea for the purpose of enriching the programme and projects of the Association.

As a non-governmental, non-profit organization, the Association invest all its means in the projects which it implements on its own and with the unselfish help and advice from the collaborators and friends. It makes decisions independently about how much money will be distributed, which social problem it will try to solve by its own initiative or project and where it directs its energy.
By the implementation of the first projects- “New Hopes of Chess” and its "The Best educators of Serbia" in 2014, the Association encouraged chess and strategic thinking, education and versatility of young people. Each project of the association “Živojin Mišić” which ensured later, led by the idea to inspire young people in all possible ways to pluck up the courage, be brave and innovative and create their opportunities themselves, in short - to become entrepreneurs themselves.

Today, the Association has six projects behind it, “New hopes of chess” and "The Best educators of Serbia", which have been successfully implemented over the years, as well as the „Before I die“ wall, placed at Ada Ciganlija in Belgrade. New projects are an upgrade of "The best educators of Serbia". Projects such as “National Teacher Prize”, which is exported in collaboration with “Varkey Foundation” and “Yidan Prize”, executed with the cooperation of Yidan Foundation. A project “How to get a job in 21stcentury + 444 pieces of advice for a successful career”, has finished this year.

With these projects, we are trying to offer a chance to the best educators in Serbia, to show their work to the world, exchange ideas and provide a better future for our children.
Achievements in 2019
CHESS TOURNAMENT “NEW HOPES OF CHESS”
Studies around the world have shown that playing chess is useful, especially for young children, as it develops intelligence and confidence. Chess teach children to think and plan, to think ahead, and independently analyze a problem, to think abstractly, and to be responsible for their own actions. Chess in children develops personal traits that, when they grow up, will be very useful and valuable to every entrepreneur. That is why we want to popularize chess among young people.

In June 2013, the company “Devana Technologies” (Prelovac Media, at the time), initiated a chess tournament “New Hopes of Chess”, with an aim to promote chess among youth, as a useful game for development and growing up. This year, aside from the team from Kosovo and Metohija, we had an opportunity to host chess teams from Niš, Novi Sad, Kosovska Mitrovica, Novi Banovci, Paraćin, Kragujevac, Zemun and Novi Beograd. In the ceremonial hall of House of the Army, more than 130 chess players had a chance to find themselves in the first three places, in five different categories. Moreover, there were teams of preschoolers, children up to 14 years old, who played city team tournaments, children up to 18 years old, representatives of the Serbian Army Forces, IT Company and chess amateurs.
This year, our youngest contestants, who competed in the category “City Team Tournament”, along with the representatives of the Association, had a chance to visit Military Academy. Our host was Lt. Col. Dr Davorin Mikulić, who helped with the tournament realization in the past years. He, with other Academy professors, showed the children how education looks like at the Military Academy. They were familiarized to the capacities, sports halls, mechanical cabinets, military vehicles, etc.

For the second year in a row, the actors from the series “Military Academy”, attended our tournament. Actress Andra Ražičanin and actor Đorđe Stojković supported the tournament and played a revival match with youngest participants of the tournament.
07th April 2019.  
House of the Army Serbia  
5 Tournaments  
455,902 rsd – Funds invested  
132 Participants

City Team Tournaments (children up to 14 years old)  
– 64 participants  
Pre-schoolers Tournament – 12 participants  
Children up to 18 years old Tournament  
– 10 participants  
Individual Serbian Army members Tournament  
– 34 participants  
IT Companies team Tournament – 6 teams with a total of 12 participants

520 played matches

12 cups

63 chess medals

Professional Chess Software and numerous awards  
(books, chess sets, diplomas...)

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NEW HOPES OF CHESS
# New Hopes of Chess 2019

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THE BEST EDUCATORS OF SERBIA
The Best educators of Serbia

We believe that the title of a teacher is one of the most responsible titles because the teacher has an important and hard task of knowledge transfer. This way teachers directly influences shaping, developing and future of their students. Today, their goal is to create successful citizens of the world, who will be fully prepared to tackle the knowledge and skills of the 21st century. Our aim through this project is to encourage and reward educators which make a difference in their job and achieve magnificent results with their students. Those who are generators of innovation and change, who are role models and inspiration to their students and colleagues. Those who encourage intellectual curiosity and engage their students in acquiring new knowledge, thus have a lifelong impact on them.

Our goal is to raise awareness and to remind teachers of the importance of their profession and their quality work for the whole society and the future of the country. We aim to draw attention to the right values in education and to give other an example or an idea to strive to, by providing people who are the best examples from the practice. We wish to thank those educators who are trying to improve the society we live in, not only by being better people themselves but by directing new generations towards right values and by being the inspiration for progress.
Therefore, we believe that teachers have the right to move borders with innovative suggestions. Teachers we have been founding are creative and innovative, motivated and positive. They are masters of their crafts, organized and have a clear work method. They are objective, principled, fair and encouraging, moreover, prepared for lifelong learning.

This is what we’ve valued and rewarded all these years!

During 6 years of the project realization, we’ve rewarded 79 teachers across the country. This year the call was opened on the April 23rd and on 7th November, 10 teachers took the title of The Best educators of Serbia!
Our best teachers come from 8 towns and cities across Serbia, those are:

- Novi Sad
- Belgrade
- Kragujevac
- Niš
- Doljevac
- Lebane
Criteria

Best educator values the qualities of his students encourages them to improve themselves prepares them for competitions and knows them. We are searching for educators who work outside of the curriculum borders, who bring in new teaching methods and dedicate time to extracurricular activities. We search for educators who exported new projects regarding education and child development, educators who teach their students to critically think and prepare them for the challenges of the 21st century.

Prizes

Aside from “The Best educators of Serbia” title, every educator won a personal prize and a monetary reward of 100,000 dinars. This prize the teacher can use in order to execute more projects or for the equipment he finds fit for further development of learning methods and his work. With these awards, we aim to allow teachers to put new projects and ideas into motion.
Rewarded educators of the year 2019. are:

Ana Marković
Physics teacher in First Kragujevac Gymnasium

Biljana Popović
Teacher in “Knez Sima Marković” primary school in Barajevo

Dura Padan
Teacher of technical and informatics education in “Vladislav Ribnikar” primary school in Belgrade

Dušan Blagojević
Teacher of Serbian Language and Literature in Medical School in Leskovac and Lebane Gymnasium

Dušica Marković
Mathematics teacher in “Stefan Nemanja” primary school in Niš

Ljiljana Lazarević
Teacher in “Mihailo Petrović Alas” primary school in Belgrade

Marija Baslić
Teacher in “Janko Veselinović” primary school in Belgrade

Marina Dorocki
Physics teacher in “Isidora Sekulić” Gymnasium in Novi Sad

Vesela Mačkić
Teacher in “Ivan Cundulić” primary school in Novi Sad

Vlasta Cenić
Teacher of Serbian language in “Vuk Karadžić” primary school in Doljevac
## Financial Report

**The best educators of Serbia 2018**

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**HOW DID THE BEST EDUCATOR OF SERBIA AWARD AFFECT YOUR WORK?**

**01.**

The Best educator of Serbia award has had a positive recognition in my living environment, it helped me to make my ideas and programs more visible and to improve my work every chance I got. Constant awareness that I was picked and presented as above average is a big motivator in the challenges I face. It also gives credibility to the results I achieve inside and outside of the classroom.

_Zoran Ilić_

**02.**

The recognition of The Best educator of Serbia was an additional push for me to be more engaged and dedicated while working with students. Moreover, to keep working on my professional development. Being accepted as a part of family of restless, enthusiastic people when it came to their job, represents for me an opportunity for exchanging knowledge and experience, as well as selfless support and understanding.

_Milica Anodović_
03.
The recognition I received from the Association “Živojin Mišić” encouraged me to continue the path I was on with my students – the path of creativity, invention, imagination and laughs. Moreover, this award brought me the joy of real socialization and experience sharing with colleagues across Serbia – which is priceless!
Ivana Kovačević

04.
The Best educator of Serbia award obliged me to continue to work diligently and to strive to justify given trust. This reward reminded me why I choose this calling and how important is the role of teacher in life and education of my students.
Aleksa Popadić

05.
During the reward ceremony, seeing what other educators, with The Best educator of Serbia title, do in their classroom, I began thinking that I’m here by mistake. Those people approach their job with so much energy and innovation, that I didn’t have any other choices, but to accept the responsibility coming with this award, moreover, to strive to be better.
Mladen Šljivović
HOW DID YOU SPEND THE PRIZE MONEY YOU RECEIVED FOR IMPROVING YOUR WORK WITH STUDENTS?

01.
I directed the reward towards equipping the economy classroom in which I teach. The school received two laptops and a projector which contributed to the improvement of teaching. I try to keep my classes interesting, different and creative and the reward given to me by the Association “Živojin Mišić”, contributes greatly to that. Technology is the window towards the world, which greatly assists and improves the teaching quality.

Sladana Radojlović

02.
I considered it is best to invest the prize into technology, a laptop which will be my trusted companion in the adventure called “The Internet in the service of knowledge”. The second part of the reward I spent on a lifelong membership on KidConnect website, which contains a variety of worksheets I can download and alter as needed. I often use historical sources for my work, I have a full closet of worksheets I made over the years (copied for pair or group work). With the KidConnect membership creating worksheets will be much easier.

Vera Isailović
03.

Since I work in the school in the village, part of the reward means I’ve spent on equipping the school with technological resources, such as a laptop, a printer, tablet and wireless microphone. I furnished my classroom with a new whiteboard, and I am planning to spend the rest of the funds on printing a children’s book.

Jelena Babić

04.

Every librarian will first mention books. A lot of strange and indispensable books. However, working in the library is impossible without shelves, also very strange and very necessary. Let me use an allegory I often use at work: “Tie and tie needle, you put on after shoes, trousers and a shirt”.

Aleksandar Mijalković
WHAT MOTIVATES YOU IN YOUR WORK?

01.
Love for children motivates me while working. Besides that, the love for education and my exquisite colleagues and awards you give us.

Lidija Videnović

02.
While working I am motivated the most by my students who are always ready to learn and progress, even though they’re often far from their main school and class. Their desire for tackling every lesson and not to miss class is a guiding star in my every attempt of creatively designing curricular and extracurricular activities.

Ivana Kovačević

03.
The feeling that I can do more is what motivates me the most. I still haven’t used up all my ideas, at every corner, I spot new intriguing challenges ready to be tackled. Moreover, this reward motivates in the moments of doubt by whispering to me: “You’re doing the right thing!”.

Zoran Ilić
04.

The challenge and the desire to try new teaching methods motivate me one the daily basis. How to depict the world of the past to my students is ceaseless, searching path, full of trial and error. However, when I see their intrigued faces and hear additional questions after class – I know I’m on the right road. That I’ve “woken” them up. My motive while working with children is the desire to show them that learning doesn’t have to be hard and boring, but that we can turn it into the adventure of discovering new stories, creating movies and learning while playing.

Vera Isailović

05.

I am motivated by students’ questions, their desire to learn something new, to show and use what they’ve already learned in real life. It motivates me that, every day, I have the chance to collaborate with co-workers from whom I can learn something and exchange ideas.

Aleksa Popadić
01.

I am sure that they see me as someone who is always ready to help, who they can reach out to and understands their problems, as someone who has a lot of patience. I consider my greatest achievement to be when they tell me I was their role model, that I was the one who awakens their love for the economy and motivated them to pursue it as a career. This meant that they realise how beautiful and creative economy is. They are aware of my determination to find the right path and to gift to our beloved city the project I’ve done with them.

Sladana Radojlović

02.

They see me first as a friend, as someone they can turn to for help, who will demand order, hard work and discipline, but as someone who will sit on the ground with them, read stories, play football or hide and seek...

Jelena Babić
03.

I hope they see me as someone who will inspire them to find something that makes them happy and to give their best to succeed in it. And the best way to succeed in something is hard and dedicated work.

Mladen Šljivović

04.

When the situation requires, I mainly have authority, however, we are good friends when the moment allows. Children are our reflection and they behave as they do because they are copying us. By observing them I recognize what kind of teacher I am.

Lidija Videnović

05.

The teacher has to be a role model for his students, someone they can trust and that supports them. I think that my students consider me as a teacher who likes to explore, learn and selflessly shares his knowledge and enthusiasm with them.

Milica Andonović
"Conference of the Best educators in Serbia"

First conference of the Best educators in Serbia, called “Meeting quality and innovative education” was held on June 23rd. The conference was held in collaboration with teachers who had an opportunity to conduct workshops for their colleagues, therefore they shared ideas and examples of good practice.

Education themed panel discussions were held within the conference, which were led by Nikoleta Rakočević, founder of “Queen Victoria Education & Translation” school. The panellists were Vigor Majić, director of Petnica Science Centre, Stevan Jokić, science advisor at Vinča Institute, as well as our rewarded teacher, Ivana Kovačević, a teacher at “Dr Dragan Herceg” primary school.
We were discussing questions about our educational system, what and how we can change it for better, how much technology today is present in our classrooms, can it be used as a tool for gaining knowledge and as a motivation for students to learn nowadays?

Ranko Rajović, the author of NTC program, carrier of Mensa’s award for societal development and lecturer at the Faculty of Education in Koper, held a workshop themed “Can learning be a game?”.

After the panel discussion and a workshop held by Ranko Rajović, the best learned from the best!

Two blocks of Serbia’s Best Educators workshops were conducted. One block was about “Using technology in classrooms” and the other “Critical thinking development and learning styles of the 21st century”.

Educators performing the workshops were Milica Andonović, Branislava Živanović, Zorica Ivanović, Vera Isailović, Mladen Šljivović, Suzana Miljković and Aleksandra Sekulić. The workshops they prepared and held for their colleagues were accredited at ZUOV.

### Conference of the Best educators in Serbia

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“We love to learn”
Festival

The third year in a row Serbia’s Best Educators performed educative workshops as a part of the “We love to learn” Festival organized by “World’s Best Mum” portal. This was an opportunity for children, parents and all interested to see how Serbia’s Best Educators work and what we reward.

Jelena Babić, the teacher from Prokuplje opened the festival with “Recycle than play” workshop. The aim of the workshop was to raise ecological awareness, creativity and imagination. Participants had an opportunity to make musical instruments out of waste material, such as bottle caps, spoons, jar lids etc… After building the instrument children were performing rhythmic tracks, they previously wrote on music cards.

Sladana Trajković, teacher of mathematics from Prokuplje, conducted a workshop themed “Send a secret message”. She familiarized the children with cryptography – a science discipline that studies messaging methods, specifically sending messages in form only familiar to the right reader. Participants had an opportunity to find out the connection between maths and cryptography, to familiarize themselves with the Caesars Code and Polybius Square. Moreover, they had a chance to make an encrypted disk and a scrollbar, write secret messages using the Caesars Code and decipher encrypted pictures using the Polybius Square.

Danijela Rakić, teacher of accordion and chamber music from Zemun, alongside her students performed a mini-concert and a composition “Magic accordion”. Her students from “Kosta Manojlović” primary school, performed original and transcribed parts for accordion. Children also had an opportunity to familiarise themselves with the possibility of playing those instruments together.

Gordana Janevski, teacher from Knjaževac, held a workshop called “Svedeija”. The aim was to facilitate children’s tackling and articulation of their personal needs and desires. To help them overcome any obstacles standing in the way of its fulfilment and to make them aware that needs can be met in different ways.

Aleksandar Mijalković, Serbian language and literature teacher from Indija, closed the festival with the workshop “I have IQ for HAIKU”. The workshop objective was to familiarise participants with haiku form of poetry and to give them an opportunity to practice writing this poetic form through different tasks. The goal was learning concise expression, as well as learning the ability to present a short thought or an emotion in a longer form – always in three verses, standard metrics of 5-7-5 syllables.
Equipping of the library in Donja Trešnjica

Branislava Živanović who works as a defectologist at “Dušan Dugalić” primary school, who has been awarded in the year 2016 as a part of “Serbia’s Best Educators” project, took initiative in gathering the books for one village library. The idea was, the educators provide books to children who aren’t able to afford it.

Why did Branislava Živanović specifically suggest Donja Trešnjica? As she says, the curiosity of this place lies in the fact that there are five university teachers from here and that she was always fascinated by the greatest of people come from such small places. Moreover, aside from children, the equipping of the library not only helped the children but also uplifted their families as they would also be able to read more.

In this action, Serbia’s best educators managed to gather more than 200 books which they donated to the library.

Republic Performing Arts Convention

Representatives of the Association “Živojin Mišić” were guests at the Ninth Republic Performing Arts Convention in Leskovac, 31st of May as the jury. The founder of this convention is Zoran Ilić, an educator awarded in the year 2018 as a part of “Serbia’s Best Educators” project.

The convention gathers best of the children’s performances in the country and region and so far, it has gathered over 3,600 students and over 25,000 participants.
Professional Trip of the Representatives of “Živojin Mišić” to Finland


In November the representatives of the association “Živojin Mišić” were visiting Finland in order to gain a better insight of their educational system, which according to PISA (Program for International Student Assessment) testing’s through the years, was at the top. Moreover, to exchange ideas and examples of good practice with Finnish teachers and school Principles. The aim of this visit was establishing connections between the two countries in order to achieve cooperation in various fields.

Professional visit to Finland included:

Visit to Embassy of the Republic of Serbia in Helsinki and a meeting with our ambassador Mr Aleksandar Obradović.
Meetings with Dušica Božović, teacher of Serbian language to children from the Serbian area residing in Helsinki. She answered our numerous questions and helped us realise the difference between the Finnish and Serbian educational system.

Visit to Kartanonata School and discussions with their teachers and with Marjo Rantanten, the Principal of the school.
Meetings with Maarit Rossi one of the world’s 10 best teachers awarded with “Global Teachers Prize” in the year 2015.

Visit to the International school Kielo.
Visit two libraries in Helsinki “Oodi” and “Helsinki University Library”.

Professional Trip of the Representatives of “Živojin Mišić” to Finland

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The project “National Teacher Prize” is part of the project “Global Teacher Prize”, organized by the Varkey Foundation. For the third consecutive year, Association “Živojin Misić” is a national partner of the Varkey Foundation, which means that the project “The Best Educators of Serbia” has become a pre-qualifying competition for the “National Teacher Prize”.

All teachers in primary and secondary schools, who are the winners of the award ”The Best Educators of Serbia” have the right to the participation in the competition for the ”National Teacher Prize”, who works in teaching and who intend to work in teaching for at least 5 years. Our aim is to choose among already awarded best educators of Serbia up to five ones, as it has been prescribed by the Varkey Foundation. The winners of the national competition will enter the “Global Teacher Prize” competition, which further operates according to the rules of the Varkey Foundation. Through his project, we want to give commendation, award and encourage exceptional teachers in Serbia again and give them the possibility of finding themselves in one of the largest world competitions in the sphere of the education.
THE CRITERIA:

- The use of effective teaching practices influencing the quality of education on a global level.
- The use of an innovative syllabus influencing the work of school, milieu and the country and which has proved itself to be a good method for solving new challenges in the future.
- The achievements of students of a nominated teacher, and the influence of the environment.
- The development of a student as a citizen of the world through offering the education based on values which would prepare them for the world in which they will live and work with people of different nationalities, cultures and religions.
- The enhancement of the teaching profession through the raising of the level of teaching, exchange of good practices and cooperation with their colleagues.
- The recognition of the work of a teacher by students, colleagues, headteacher or other members.
This year in March the Seventh Education Forum was held in Dubai under the name “Global Education & Skill Forum”. This is where all the best teachers of the world gather as candidates for the title of “Best Teacher in the World” under the “Global Teacher Prize”. This year’s award winner was Peter Tabichi from Kenya.

On this educational forum Serbian delegation was represented by: Katarina Veljković, informatics teacher who is one of the 50 best teachers in the world; Tatjana Marković Topalović, physics teacher from Šabac; Dragan Kuveljić, teacher from Prijepolje and Ivona Jovanović, coordinator of the Association “Živojin Mišić” and a representative of a national partner of a “Varkey” foundation.
We declared the winners of the national competition in 2019 who will compete for this prestigious title next year. And those are:

**Borko Petrović**
English teacher in “Stevan Jakovljević” primary school in Paracin

**Ivana Kovačević**
Serbian language and literature teacher in “Dr Dragan Hercog” primary school in Belgrade

**Zoran Ilić**
teacher in “Svetozar Marković” primary school in Leskovac

The commission which declared this year’s winners consisted of:

**Branislav Randelović**
the director of the Institute for Education Quality and Evaluation Serbia

**Dragica Pavlović Babić**
coordinator of PISA research in Serbia and associate from the Institute of Psychology in the field of Education

**Zoran Stanojević**
editor and journalist from Radio-television of Serbia

**Ivana Cenerić**
research coordinator at the Center for Educational Policies

**Srdan Verbić**
ex-Minister of Education

**Vigor Majić**
the director of Petnica Science Centre

Representatives of the Association “Živojin Mišić”
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“YIDAN” COMPETITION

The goal of the “YIDAN” competition is to create a better world through education and it consists of two awards: “YIDAN” Award for Research in the field of Education and “YIDAN” Award for the Development in the field of Education. The Association “Živojin Mišić” became a national partner of the “YIDAN” Competition in Serbia at the end of the year 2018. This way the Association became an Organization which has a right to nominate the teachers from this country for the Awards through the “Serbia’s Best Educators” project. Today “Serbia’s Best Educator’s’ project is a pre-qualification for both “YIDAN” Competition and the “Global Teacher Prize”. Our goal is to allow the best teachers in Serbia to be heard on the world education scene and to give them a possibility to exchange good educational practices with the best teachers in the world.

Candidates for the “YIDAN” Competition for the year 2019 were:

- Danijela Rakić, teacher of accordion and chamber music in “Kosta Manojlović” in a musical primary school in Žemun
- Goran Jevičić, computer science and informatics teacher in the Karlovci Gymnasium in Sremski Karlovci

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“How to get a job in 21st century + 444 pieces of advice for a successful career”

The Association “Živojin Mišić” in cooperation with the authors of the book initiates the project through which they will gift several copies of the book “How to get a job in 21st century + 444 pieces of advice for a successful career” to all the high-schools in Serbia with a lecture from the author. The goal was to introduce as many young people with this book and with the true needs of the 21st century and to motivate them to work on themselves, on their knowledge and skills, their ideas and private jobs so as to ensure long term support of successful economy and society along with reduced unemployment and entrepreneurship.

Under this project, we donated over 1,000 books in over 30 cities in Serbia.
“How to get a job in 21st century + 444 pieces of advice for a successful career”

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“BEFORE I DIE” Wall

The “Before I Die” wall is a global art’s initiative started by Candy Cheng from New Orleans and the idea currently consists of over 1,000 walls around the world. The essence of the wall lied with the answering of the question ‘What do I really want to do in Life?’ written by random passers-by. There is chalk next to the wall and the sentence “Before I Die I want to …” has various endings – a mixture of love, happiness, sadness, desire and gratitude. We want to encourage our fellow citizens to dream to have desires and to write them in order for them to be a step closer to their fulfilment.
In June 2019, we celebrated our 5th year Jubilee of the existence of the “Before I Die” project, on that occasion we organized a panel discussion on “How to Achieve Life Goals” during which we had an opportunity to share different experiences regarding life success, goals, desires, future plans and how to get there.

Our panellists were Marina Ćosić, a young actress who graduated from the Faculty of Dramatic Arts in the class of Prof. Srđan Karanović.

Maša Stojaković, student of the Faculty of Law in Belgrade, Maša was born with a disability but has always achieved her goals.

Vanja Paunović, a former student of the Linguistic Department of 14th Gymnasium and today one of the best students of Faculty of Computer Science.

The panel discussion was led by Dijana Kocić, who graduated from the Faculty of Organizational Sciences and today gives training for youth about achieving their goals.
### “BEFORE I DIE” Wall

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About donor

DEVANA TECHNOLOGIES

The donator of the Association and its concept creator is the company “Devana Technologies”, with its founder Vladimir Prelovac at the head of it. “Devana Technologies” is a national company which was the first company in the world to develop a software solution for the management of the WordPress websites. Manage WP, as the company named its solution, has been a product of premium quality on the market for, now, more than four years, which ensured company’s successful business and sales of the company’s products worldwide.

In this way, Devana contributes to the improvement of Serbia’s image in the world as the country which exports products of the highest quality. However, the company has made even a step further, intending to contribute to the improvement of the quality of live in Serbia through the projects in which it invests its money. In 2013 the company’s employees founded Association and since then Devana has been donating 10% of its annual profit to Association.
The Association has been growing along with its projects since then. Most was invested in the projects in education, aiming to raise awareness of young people about entrepreneurship, develop and encourage entrepreneurial skills and thinking. As a company which began as a start-up and in which entrepreneurs work, it wants to share its formula of success with young people and to support the development of entrepreneurship in Serbia.

Devana Technologies wishes to share with the youth their formula of success as a company who began start-up and to support the development of entrepreneurship in Serbia, therefore they have been donating to the Association in order of executing projects. This year the work of the Association was supported by the publisher house “Eduka” and the public executor Jovan Pješić.
Plans and Goals for the Future
We are proud of the projects carried out this year. Each of them was improved as compared to the previous years and we believe that we succeeded in reaching goals. Currently, we are working on the education of young people because we believe that through their knowledge and abilities, we will make the biggest impact on the development of society and ensure a brighter future of Serbia. Therefore, our current focus is education and we are planning new projects in which a great number of teachers would be included.

Our plan for next year is to conduct the project regarding the certification of teachers in our country in order to allow them access to the best teaching practices in the world.