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Roads of Serbia and Corridors of Serbia with friends from the Republic of Srpska

In Belgrade, a meeting on business and technical cooperation between PE "Roads of Serbia" and "Corridors of Serbia" Ltd. with companies from the Republic of Srpska, PE "Motorways of the Republic of Srpska" and PE "Roads of the Republic of Srpska", as well as companies that deal with road design and execution of works from the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Srpska, with the aim

of intensifying and improving existing cooperation was held on June 7, 2024. All achievements were presented and the strengthening of mutual cooperation on the development of a modern highway network, design, construction, management and maintenance of highways, toll collection, information technologies, development of safety and environmental protection was discussed.

Official visit to the Republic of Srpska

Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure Goran Vesić, with a delegation, made an official visit to the Republic of Srpska on July 3, 2024.

The delegation also included acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnyak and acting director of the "Corridors of Serbia" Ltd. Aleksandar Antić, state sec-

retaries and assistants in the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure of the Republic of Serbia and Đorđe Milić, director of the Republic Agency for Spatial Planning of the Republic of Serbia.

Minister Vesić and his associates were guests of the Minister for Spatial Planning, Construction and Ecology, Bojan Vipotnik,



and the Minister of Transport and Communications of the Republic of Srpska, Nedeljko Čubrilović, while the acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnyak and acting director of "Corridors of Serbia" Ltd. Aleksandar Antić held a meeting with the management of PE "Roads of the Republic of Srpska" and PE "Motorways of the Republic of Srpska".

After the meetings held in Banja Luka, the delegation headed to Bijeljina and visited the construction site of the Rača-Bijeljina highway.

Memorandum on business cooperation and system integration for ETC

In the Government of Serbia on March 28, 2024, in the presence of the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Goran Vesić, a Memorandum on business cooperation and integration of the system for electronic toll collection between Serbia and Bosnia and Herzegovina was signed. The contract was signed by the acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnjak, acting director of PE "Motorways of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina" Denis Lasić and acting director of PE "Motorways of the Republic of Srpska" Nedeljko Ćorić. After the signing, Minister Vesić said that this contract is significant because it connects the region and because it will make life easier for people, both in Bosnia and Herzegovina and in Serbia.



Memorandum on cooperation on the construction of the E-763 highway, Belgrade - South Adriatic



Acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnjak and executive director of "Monteput" ltd. Milan Ljiljanić, signed on July 16, 2024. in Pakovrač, Memorandum on business cooperation on the construction of highway E - 763, Belgrade - South Adriatic in order to improve and strengthen joint cooperation on developing a modern highway network, increasing traffic safety on highways, environmental protection and road maintenance by applying European standards.

The memorandum envisages that the two companies can initiate and implement joint projects, studies and research, significant for the entire construction project of the highway E-763, Belgrade - South Adriatic, exchange knowledge and experience and mutually provide assistance in the field of road traffic.

Acting director Drobnjak with associates at the construction sites

Acting director Zoran Drobnjak with his associates, regularly visits the works on the construction of the E-763 highway, Preljina - Požega section.

Intensive works are being carried out on the entire section, namely on sub-sections 4 and 5, as well as on the electro-mechanical equipment of the Laz tunnel and work on the excavation of the Munjino Brdo tunnel.

Presence on the ground and direct conversations with the contractor, responsible supervisory authorities and workers, contribute to an overview of the situation on the ground, quick reaction, all with the aim of monitoring the set deadlines and the quality of the work.





Prime Minister Vučević visited the new bridge across the river Crnica in the town of Sisevac

Prime Minister of Serbia Miloš Vučević, Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure Goran Vesic and Minister of Mining and Energy Dubravka Đedović Handanović visited the municipalities of Žagubica and Paraćin, and in the presence of acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnjak with his colleagues, visited the village of Sisevac where the bridge over the Crnica river was completed.

Instead of the old bridge, PE "Roads of Serbia" built a contemporary and modern bridge that will serve the future generations. The bridge over the river Crnica in the town of Sisevac is located on state road II B category number 388, and has a total length of 22.0 m and a width of 9.0 m.



Meeting of the directors of road management companies in Western Balkans



On May 28, 2024, a meeting of state road managers from the Western Balkan region was held in Vienna, organized by the Transport Association. The topics of the meeting were road infrastructure management, ITS implementation and road safety.

Miodrag Poledica, assistant director of PE "Roads of Serbia", spoke about the state and challenges in maintaining the road network as well as the implementation of ITS in the Republic of Serbia. Poledica emphasized the importance of all work on the maintenance of the road network, he spoke about the introduction of new technologies, the improvement of accompanying road contents through the construction of new and improvement of existing capacities for providing services to users of electric and hybrid vehicles, recycling of materials and others. He particularly emphasized the importance of the concept of traffic management and the development of ITS on the national road network in the Republic of Serbia.



TAG devices available at MTS and MTEL branches

On the premises of PE "Roads of Serbia", on April 4, 2024, acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnyak and general director of "Telekom Srbija" Vladimir Lučić signed a Business Cooperation Agreement, which enables users to purchase TAG devices in MTS branches throughout Serbia, through the portal www.mts.rs as well as at MTEL points of sale in Germany, Austria and Switzerland.

With Serbian TAG device through Montenegro

PE "Roads of Serbia", in cooperation with partners from Montenegro, this year enabled all owners of Serbian and Montenegrin TAG devices to pay tolls on highways in Serbia and Montenegro after reconfiguration, i.e. registration on the TOLL4ALL platform (in 2023, North Macedonia).

Roads of Serbia owners of the first Serbian toll collection system

In the administration building of PE "Roads of Serbia", in the office of the director, on June 17, 2024, the protocol on the handover of the software codes of the first "Serbian toll collection system" was signed. On behalf of PE "Roads of Serbia", the handover protocol was signed by acting director Zoran Drobnyak, and on behalf of the supplier, i.e. the company "Orion Telecom", general manager Slobodan Đinović. The software codes were handed over in the Data Center at the Belgrade toll station in Vrčin.

The Serbian toll collection system is fully owned by PE "Roads of Serbia" and is one of the most modern solutions in Europe.

The system is aligned with EU directives, with special attention focused on data protection and the security of state road infrastructure.



"Drive fresh"

Media conference on July 11, 2024, held at the "Holiday Inn" hotel in New Belgrade, officially marked the beginning of this year's "Drive Fresh" campaign, which the Traffic Safety Agency, in cooperation with the Ministry of Interior - Traffic Police Directorate, PE "Roads of Serbia", the Automobile Association of Serbia, with the company "EKO Srbija" and the Tourist Organization of Serbia, has been conducting for the 8th year in a row.

The campaign, whose goal is to prevent traffic accidents and increase the safety of road users during the summer months, includes numerous preventive activities aimed at reducing the number of traffic accidents, the number of fatalities and serious injuries.

PE "Roads of Serbia" as the manager of state roads - through the VMS portals, i.e. the variable message signs on the highway, informs road users about the campaign's slogan and message – "Drive fresh! Take a break every 2 hours".



Promotional and educational activities aimed at domestic and transit passengers were organized at the Stara Pazova and Belgrade toll stations, with the aim of reducing the number of traffic accidents caused by fatigue".

Acting director Drobnjak presented 50 TAG devices



In order to increase visibility of the campaign "Drive fresh", this year a giveaway was organized on social media. For that purpose, acting director Zoran Drobnjak handed over 50 TAG devices for electronic toll collection, to the acting director of the Traffic Safety Agency, Branko Stamatović.

On the August 06, 2024, at the media conference in the "Palace of Serbia" in New Belgrade, Branko Stamatović, acting director of the Traffic Safety Agency, Ljerka Ibrović, the head of the Public Relations Department of PE "Roads of Serbia" and the commercial director of "EKO Srbija" Nataša Vukšić presented the prizes to the lucky winners.

Traffic safety caravan

Ministry of Interior with partners - Traffic Safety Agency, Automobile Association of Serbia, PE "Roads of Serbia", Red Cross of Serbia, National Driving Academy (NAVAK) and local governments, organized a series of promotional and educational activities within the project "Traffic Safety Caravan" which aims to improve citizens' attitudes about the importance of complying with traffic regulations as well as the comprehensive improvement of safety.

On July 26, 2024, on the King's Square in Zlatibor, in the presence of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Minister of Interior Affairs Ivica Dačić, representatives of PE "Roads of Serbia" informed all interested visitors about the activities carried out by



PE "Roads of Serbia" in order to increase traffic safety and educate all participants.

Colleagues from the Sector for Toll Collection informed the visitors about all the advantages of electronic toll collection and TAG devices, as the cheapest form of toll payment, without stopping and without contact. Those interested were also able to purchase or reconfigure a TAG device on the spot.

Traffic safety caravan was on July 29, 2024 moved to Sokobanja where colleagues from the Sector for Toll Collection and the Department for Public Relations, in the presence of Minister Ivica Dačić, continued promotional and educational activities with the aim of raising awareness and educating all road users, as well as on August 2, 2024, on Kopaonik and August 10, 2024 in Vrnjačka Banja.



Recognition for Ljerka Ibrović

The Traffic Safety Agency of the Republic of Serbia has organized, on the occasion of International Women's Day, March 8, 2024, in the a traditional awarding of recognition to ladies for their work and contribution to raising awareness about traffic safety. Among the award winners is Ljerka Ibrović, Master of Economics and spec. of traffic, head of the Department for Public Relations in the Director Head Office of PE "Roads of Serbia" and project leader for the realization of the company's media campaigns that have been carried out for the last 5 years, with the aim of raising the level of traffic safety on state roads, through the education of drivers and all road users. According to the director of the Agency, Branko Stamatović, the winners of the award significantly contributed to their activities and provided support for the implementation, information and promotion of the activities of the Traffic Safety Agency, and by presenting them with this award, the Agency expresses its special gratitude for their work.





New educational campaigns of Roads of Serbia

With the premiere screening of the videos “Safely through the tunnel” and “We are not alone in the tunnel” at a presentation organized in the Operational Management Center near the Brančić

tunnel, on June 27, 2024, two new educational campaigns of PE “Roads of Serbia” have officially started including two characteristic topics related to:

- Education of drivers for safe behavior in tunnels in regular traffic conditions
- Education of drivers for safe behavior in tunnels in case of emergency events that may endanger the lives of road users.

The slogans of the campaign – “Safely through the tunnel” and “We are not alone in the tunnel” accurately, vividly and clearly convey essential information for all road users.

The presentation of the campaigns, which PE “Roads of Serbia” is carrying out with the support of the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure and the Ministry of the Interior, was attended by the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure Goran Vesić, the head of the Traffic Police Administration Slaviša Lakićević, the assistant director of PE “Roads of Serbia” Ivan Tejić, executive director of the Sector for Management of Traffic Information Systems Zoran Pešović with colleagues, Director of the Traffic Safety Agency Branko Stamatović, traffic safety experts as well as creative teams who worked on the campaign.





„SAFELY THROUGH THE TUNNEL“

The Educational Campaign “Safely Through the Tunnel” is implemented with the aim of educating drivers for safe behavior in tunnels under regular traffic conditions. Driving through the tunnel under regular traffic conditions requires the following activities before entering and while driving in the tunnel:

BEFORE ENTERING THE TUNNEL AND WHILE DRIVING IN THE TUNNEL

- Obey the speed limits
- Keep a safe distance
- Use low beams
- Take off your sunglasses
- Close the windows and turn on the air circulation in the vehicle
- Check fuel level and engine temperatures
- If you use cigarettes, extinguish it
- Do not stop in the tunnel, except in emergency cases, and only in the emergency niche
- U-turns are prohibited
- It is not allowed to move the vehicle in reverse direction
- Turn off the engine if the vehicle is stopped for more than one minute



"WE ARE NOT ALONE IN THE TUNNEL"

The educational campaign “We are not alone in the tunnel” is carried out with the aim of educating drivers for safe behavior in tunnels in case of emergency events that may endanger the lives of road users. Measures in the event of emergency events in the tunnel are different in the event of a vehicle breakdown, i.e. a fire in the tunnel:

IN CASE OF VEHICLE FAILURE

- Turn on hazard lights
- Stop the vehicle safely in the stopping niche, or as close as possible to the right edge of the roadway
- Turn off the engine and leave the key in the ignition
- Put on the reflective vest and exit the vehicle on your right
- Position the safety triangle behind the stopped vehicle in the prescribed manner
- Call for help from the SOS niche
- Wait for the arrival of the service vehicles

IN CASE OF FIRE

- If the fire started on your vehicle and if you are able, take the vehicle out of the tunnel to a safe place. Otherwise, stop the vehicle so as not to endanger the safety of other road users
- Turn on all four turn signals
- Turn off the engine and leave the key in the ignition
- Put on the reflective vest and leave the vehicle
- Help the people in your vehicle to leave the scene of the fire as soon as possible
- Extinguish the fire in the initial phase with the initial fire extinguisher from the vehicle or the apparatus located in the SOS niche, taking care of your own safety
- Activate the nearest manual fire alarm
- If you are unable to extinguish the fire, move to a safe distance and listen to the instructions broadcast over the public address system in the tunnel
- Start evacuating from the tunnel, follow the direction of the evacuation route signs to the nearest exit
- Watch out for passing emergency vehicles
- Follow the instructions of the fire-rescue unit during the fire-fighting operation



Guidebook for safe driving in tunnels



In the presence of the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Goran Vesić, the promotion of the brochure “Guide for safe driving in tunnels” was held in the premises of the “CIP Traffic Institute” in Belgrade.

The Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Goran Vesić, pointed out that the guide was designed to educate drivers on how to behave in tunnels to avoid an accident and how to react if an accident is bound to happen. He added that in Serbia we have 17 road tunnels with a length of 22.5 kilometers, and that another 18.5 kilometers of new tunnels are being built.

Zoran Pešović, executive director of the Sector for Traffic management information system, PE “Roads of Serbia”, presented ways of managing traffic infrastructure.

The brochure is the result of cooperation between the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, the Ministry of Interior Affairs of the Republic of Serbia, PE “Roads of Serbia”, the Traffic Safety Agency and the Traffic Institute CIP.



5th Serbian congress on roads

State Secretary in the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Mihajlo Mišić, opened the Fifth Serbian Congress on Roads on May 30, 2024, in Belgrade. Mr. Mišić on behalf of the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, greeted the audience and stated that 15 highway routes are currently being built in the Republic of Serbia.

On behalf of PE “Roads of Serbia” and acting director Zoran Drobnjak, assistant director Miodrag Poledica greeted the present colleagues wishing them a successful congress, reminding them that the entire road infrastructure and highway network form the backbone of the overall economic and social development of every country.



Contract for the construction of the "Green stations" on highways in the Republic of Serbia signed

In the building of the Government of the Republic of Serbia on March 13, 2024, in the presence of the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Goran Vesić, a contract on financing the construction of "Green Stations" was signed.

The contract was signed by Zoran Drobnjak, acting director of PE "Roads of Serbia" and Boško Leković and Nenad Soldatović in front of the company "Elcom Bgd" ltd. and "Itech Corp." ltd.

Financing the construction of "Green Stations" implies the construction of facilities with electric chargers for electric vehicles and accompanying road facilities at existing rest areas and parking lots on state roads of the IA in the Republic of Serbia.



Pilot project of safe parking lots

PE "Roads of Serbia" implemented the "Pilot project of safe parking lots (rest areas)" with the aim of providing safe parking places for trucks and commercial vehicles, at the location of the rest area "Bobovište" on the state road of the A I category, highway section from Belgrade to Niš.

Safe parking places for trucks and commercial vehicles are listed as one of the main priorities in the ITS Action Plan and the ITS Directive 2010/40/EU, while European drivers and truck drivers from other countries transiting through the Republic of Serbia must have appropriate information about safe parking places.



Given that the PE "Roads of Serbia" is implementing the National Access Point for data exchange, the implementation of the pilot project - safe parking lots provide a prerequisite for generating data on the number of available places at rest areas and parking lots and ensures a higher level of protection of property and persons on State IA roads.

The "smart parking" solution relies on artificial intelligence and Deep learning, compatible with a large number of different camera models and enables different types of network architectures. The implemented solution provides data on each individual parking space for all types of vehicle categories.

New crane vehicle for bridge inspection

As part of the implementation of the Commercial Contract on the design and execution of works on the Ruma-Šabac-Loznica project, signed by the Ministry of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, PE "Roads of Serbia", "Corridors of Serbia" Ltd. and "Azvirt" LLC a special bridge inspection vehicle - a crane vehicle MOOG-MBI-180-1,7S is obtained.

Special vehicle will be used during the inspection and maintenance of the bridge over the Sava River on the corridor of state road I B category number 21, section: Novi Sad - Ruma - Šabac - Loznica, as well as for the inspection of all the other bridges on the road network of the Republic of Serbia.



A simulation of an emergency event in the Železnik tunnel

In cooperation with members of the Emergency services, the Department for Emergency Situations - Fire and Rescue Unit, the Voluntary Fire Company "Foundation" from Zemun, the Traffic Police Administration and the Emergency Medical Service, PE "Roads of Serbia" on June 11, 2024, on the I A category state road number 1, in the "Železnik" tunnel on the Belgrade by Pass, conducted a simulation of an emergency event.

The aim of the exercise was to train experts in PE "Roads of Serbia" and members of VFC "Foundation" - Zemun, in a joint performance with a uni-



form method of working on extinguishing fires.

During the exercise, on the basis of a jointly defined operational plan, simulations of emergency events (fire on a vehicle and leakage of ammonia from a tank) were carried out and the practiced, coordinated activities of the aforementioned services were presented in order to evacuate people, extinguish the fire, prevent further leakage of ammonia, while eliminating the consequences of the simulated emergency events.

Energy transition of Serbia

In the Chamber of Commerce of Serbia, the conference “Energy Transition of Serbia - Innovations and Implementation” was held on May 30, 2024.

Among the participants of the “E-mobility” panel were Miroslav Alempić, acting Assistant to Minister Goran Vesić for Road Transport, Roads and Traffic Safety and representative of PE “Roads of Serbia” Miloš Zdravković, Head of the Department for Energy Management.



Fairs in Belgrade and Novi Sad

At the International Car and Tourism Fairs in Belgrade and Agriculture Fair in Novi Sad, PE “Roads of Serbia”, traditionally in the role of host, again this year presented to all interested visitors all business activities and innovations undertaken for the greater satisfaction of highway users.

Colleagues from the Sector for Toll Collection informed visitors about the advantages of ETC and the integrated TOLL4ALL collection system, electric car chargers, while offering visitors the opportunity to purchase or reconfigure ETC TAG device on the spot.

Representatives of the Public Relations Department, during the fairs actively promoted the educational campaigns that the Company conducts in order to raise awareness about traffic safety such as:

- “Three seconds whole life”
- “Do not drive in the emergency lane, do not stop life”
- “Traffic sign means life”
- “Don't block the emergency line, do not stop life” and
- “Don't destroy the traffic sign, the sign means life”.



Intertraffic 2024, Amsterdam

One of the world's largest gatherings of professionals in the field of mobility, infrastructure, traffic management and traffic safety, “Intertraffic 2024”, was held from April 16 to 19, 2024 in Amsterdam.

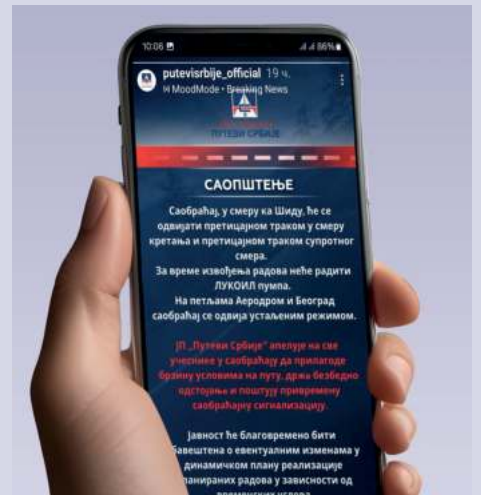
As part of the well-attended presentation on the development of ITS in the Republic of Serbia, promotional video material of PE “Roads of Serbia” was incorporated in a half-hour long film, specially made for the occasion.



Educational campaigns on Instagram and Facebook



Following the rapid development of social networks, which are becoming the main means of sharing information in the modern world, the Department for Public Relations, by creating new profiles enabled broad public and road users to see educational campaigns on traffic safety on the global social networks Instagram and Facebook, because this is the best and most effective way for campaign messages to reach as many drivers and road users as possible, who will, thus, learn from them the rules that are often of vital importance.



In addition, through selected short video forms ("reels"), representative photos, announcements and "stories" (short video clips), we bring to the public the importance and role of the Company in the development of the road network, highlight current and completed infrastructure projects, rehabilitation of the road network, novelties in the development of ETC, measures implemented to preserve the environment, information on electric chargers, green stations and many other achievements accomplished by PE "Roads of Serbia".

Coleagues from University of Novi Pazar visited the Laz and Munjino brdo tunnel construction sites



Based on the wishes and requests of the State University from Novi Pazar - the Department of Technical Sciences, PE "Roads of Serbia", the Department of Public Relations, together with the contractor and supervisory authorities in the name of PE "Roads of Serbia" had organized a visit to the construction sites of the tunnels Laz and Munjino brdo for colleagues on May 27, 2024.

Students, as well as other members of the University, are given maximum attention. They were explained in detail the procedure for carrying out the works related to the road construction, then which underground works are being carried out and all their questions during the visit were answered.

Supervisory audit for the ISO 39001

In PE "Roads of Serbia" on April 14, 2024, the second supervisory check of the management system for the ISO 39001 standard, Road Traffic Safety Management System was successfully completed.

The supervisory check within the Department for Traffic Safety of the Sector for Strategy, Designing and Development was conducted by the certification company "PCC CERT Balkan" from Belgrade.



Successful Energy management system certification

PE "Roads of Serbia" is richer for another certificate from the group of ISO standards for the Energy Management System according to the requirements of the ISO 50001:2018 standard.

The check confirmed that the requirements of the ISO 50001:2018 standard were met, which was confirmed by issuing a certificate that adds value to our company.



Workers' sports games - Putarijada 2024

Organized by the Association of Independent Trade Unions of Serbia - the Independent Road Trade Union of Serbia, the 28th workers' sports games – "Putarijada 2024" were held on Kopaonik from June 27 til June 30, 2024.

Colleagues from PE "Roads of Serbia" won gold medals in darts (women) and chess (men) and silver medals in volleyball and chess (women).

On June 06, 2024 on Kopaonik, the road companies also marked the Patrons day of all road workers Vidovdan by cutting a cake in the presence of priests from the Diocese of Raška and Prizren.

Another noble gesture of the Toll operators



Employees of the Sector for Toll Collection, on February 2, 2024, once again presented their nobility and sacrifice.

In short, at the toll station in Vranje, a backpack with a large amount of money, documents and a phone fell out of the driver's car while paying the toll. Due to the quick reaction of the employees, toll collectors Goran Dodić and Aleksandar Cvijović, the backpack was soon returned to the owner.



Humanitarian Actions of NORBS and SMA supported

PE "Roads of Serbia" on the occasion of marking the Rare Disease Day, from February 27 to 29, 2024, lit up the "Vrla" bridge near Vladičin Han and the bridge near Dimitrovgrad in the official colors of "Rare Disease Day".

As a socially responsible company, PE "Roads of Serbia" joined the world wave of lighting buildings this year as part of the celebration of the International Day of Rare Diseases, which is carried out by the National Organization for Rare Diseases of Serbia - NORBS.



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