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## Sector B5 of Belgrade Bypass, section Orlovača Interchange – tunnel Straževica, opened to traffic

Sector B5 of the Belgrade Bypass, from the interchange Orlovača to Straževica, together with the left tube of the tunnel Straževica, was opened to traffic on June 15, 2022, in the presence of the President of the Republic of Serbia, Aleksandar Vučić. The opening was also attended by the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Tomislav Momirović, Minister of Finance, Siniša Mali, Charge d'Affairs of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade, Tian Yishu, Directors of the PE "Roads of Serbia", Zoran Drobnjak, and of the company "Corridors of Serbia", Aleksandar Antić, Mayor of the City of Belgrade, Zoran Radojičić, and Deputy Mayor, and leaders of the Chinese company "Power China" and Azerbaijani company "Azvirt" engaged in the construction of the Bypass.

On this 3.1 km long section of the Bypass the left lane of the motorway with three bridges, and the left tunnel tube 760 m long under the Straževica hill is completed. The Chinese company "Power China", Azerbaijani "Azvirt" and domestic subcontractors are engaged in the construction of sector B6 of the Belgrade Bypass, from the tunnel Straževica to Bubanj Potok, where

the Bypass will be connected to the motorway Belgrade – Niš, Corridor 10.

The length of the Belgrade Bypass from the new bridge over the Sava river at Ostružnica to Bubanj Potok is 20.4 km. The value of the works is EUR 207 million, out of which 15% is funded by the budget of the Republic of Serbia, and 85% by the loan of the Chinese "Exim" bank.



# Construction of Sector B6 of Belgrade Bypass

**T**here are intensive works on the construction of the full profile of the motorway of Sector B6 on the Belgrade Bypass that stretches from the tunnel Straževica to the interchange Bubanj Potok in the length of approximately 10 km and include the works on construction of both lanes (full profile) of the motorway from the tunnel Straževica to the interchange Bubanj Potok in the length of 9.6 km, construction of the tunnel Bečki Potok, interchanges Avala and Bubanj Potok, as well as 2 bridges.Upon completion of works on the section to Bubanj Potok, a total of 47 km of the motorway from Batajnica to Bubanj Potok will be constructed.



## Rehabilitation of Ostružnica Bridge

The works on the reconstruction of the old Ostružnica Bridge over the Sava River on the Belgrade Bypass continue in accordance with the scheduled intensity and there are ongoing completion works on the reconstruction of the upstream structure of bridge no. 8.

On the left access structure from the Surčin side, the installation of AB11 and

SMA asphalt layers is carried out for the length of 591 m, while the paving of the (right) access structures is carried out from the direction of Ostružnica.

At the same time, a protective crash barrier from the direction of Surčin is installed, as well as the anti-skid coating of the pedestrian paths. Repair and maintenance of the bridge bearing, in-

stallation of expansion joints, and the completion of works on the anticorrosive protection of the steel structure are completed.

The coating of the steel carriageway surface with the MMA waterproofing layer is finished, and the final preparations for the paving of the steel bridge structure are carried out.





## Serbian President Aleksandar Vučić opened the reconstructed road Novi Pazar – Tutin

President of Serbia, Aleksandar Vučić, in the presence of Turkish ambassador, Hami Aksoy, Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Tomislav Mirović, the Turkish Consul General in Novi Pazar, Basar Basol, Mayor of Novi Pazar, Nihat Biševac, representatives of the PE "Roads of Serbia" and other high officials, dedicated the reconstructed road from Novi Pazar to Tutin 20.5 km long.

The works on the reconstruction of the road Novi Pazar – Tutin began in September 2019. The reconstruction project included the replacement of old asphalt, the construction of retaining walls and bridges over the Sebečevska river, and the placement of road markings and vertical signage. This road route is of significant importance for residents since they waited more than 40 years for this road to be completed. The Turkish "Tasyapi" performed



the works valuing EUR 24 million, and the project was financed by the funds of the Republic of Serbia from the loan provided by the Republic of Turkey.

President Vučić visited also the reconstructed road Pridvorica – Deviči near Ivanjica, together with the Mayor of Ivanjica, Momčilo Mitrović, Minister of Agriculture, Branislav Nedimović, and Acting Director of the PE "Roads of Serbia" Zoran Drobnjak. The state invested more than RSD 480 million in this road.

# Section of Zrenjanin Bypass opened to traffic

Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Tomislav Momirović, in the presence of the Mayor of Zrenjanin, Simo Salapura, and Executive Director of the Sector for Maintenance of I and II Category state roads of the PE "Roads of Serbia", Zoran Stojisavljević, opened to traffic on August 9, 2022, a part of Zrenjanin Bypass 3.7 km long.

Minister Momirović pointed out the importance of Bypass construction regarding both the reduction of harmful gas emissions and being one of the preconditions for the industrial development of the region.

He added that construction of the fifth sector of the Belgrade Bypass would begin in the spring, in the length of approximately 4 km, with a goal to relocate all cargo traffic from the city, in future.



# Completed Rehabilitation of Sjenica – Sušica road

The works on rehabilitation of I B Category state road No. 29, on a 9 km long section Sjenica (Karajukića bunari) – Sušica, are completed. Within the rehabilitation, the preparatory, earth and the works on road structure were performed, as well as the rehabilitation of the 10 m long bridge over Brnjička river. New signage and road equipment were placed.

The set of measures to increase the safety of pupils in the zone of school in the settlement Štavalj was particularly implemented.

The works are executed as a part of the Road Safety and Rehabilitation Project financed from the funds of the European Investment Bank and the budget of the Republic of Serbia.



# Toll Stations Reconstruction Project

Toll collection in Serbia is performed at 66 toll stations on 830 km of motorways, and each year the increasing number of vehicles passing through the Serbian roads is recorded.

A project on reconstructing 26 toll stations in Serbia with the goal of increasing the capacity and uninterrupted passing of vehicles through toll stations is in progress. The priority expansions are car-

ried out at the toll stations Stara Pazova, Obrenovac, Požarevac and Smederevo.

As part of the planned reconstruction of the toll station Stara Pazova, the traffic areas have been widened, booths and toll collection equipment have been installed on three new islands, i.e. two traffic lanes, and the plan is to increase the number of traffic lanes from the former 9 to 17, that

is, the capacity of the toll station will be almost 90% higher than the existing one.

An administrative facility with more than 300m<sup>2</sup> of modernly equipped space located above the toll channels is planned to be constructed. This toll station will be, upon its reconstruction, one of the biggest toll stations designed after the modern toll stations, and together with the toll station Belgrade, it will have the highest throughput.



## Minister Momirović visited the toll station Obrenovac

Minister Momirović visited on July 10, 2022, the toll station Obrenovac, and on that occasion appealed to all traffic participants to be responsible and drive carefully.

The Manager of the Department for Tolling Supervision in the PE "Roads of Serbia", Marijana Bosić, presented the work and results of the Sector for Toll Collection and pointed out the importance of the project on the reconstruction of toll stations which will gain higher throughput once their capacities are enhanced.



## Ready for Winter Service

Winter Service Plan 2022/2023 Presentation and press conference relating the commencement of winter maintenance of the state roads, manpower organization, funds and machines, and systems of informing the media, public, and other interested parties on the conditions on roads during the winter was held on November 1, 2022, in the hotel "Metropol" in Belgrade.

Winter Service Plan 2022/2023 was presented by Ljerka Ibrović, Manager of the Department for Public Relations, and Zoran Stojisavljević, Executive Director of the Sector for Maintenance of I and II Category state roads and Manager of the Winter Service Headquarters.

The audience was also addressed by Živko Babović, Chief of Risk Management and Civil Protection Department, MIA – Emergency Management Sector, Goran Mihajlović, Assistant to Director of the Republic Hydrometeorological Service of Serbia, as well as Marko Maslaković, before the Information Center of the PE "Roads of Serbia".

"This year, a top priority is cleaning 5,940 km of state roads which will be cleaned and sprinkled with salt, which have to be cleaned four hours upon cessation of precipitation", said Ljerka Ibrović and specified that 169 road depots and checkpoints with 774 road vehicles and trucks, 332 machines and 2,191 workers per shift, with a possible increase in their number if necessary, are ready for winter road maintenance.





## Promotion of educational campaigns of PE "Roads of Serbia"

With the premier screening of the videos „Do not drive in the emergency lane, do not stop life“ and „Traffic sign means life“ in the presence of the Minister of Construction, Transport and Infrastructure, Tomislav Momirović, Chief of the Traffic Police Administration, Slaviša Lakićević, Acting Director, Zoran Drobniak, Director of the “Corridors of Serbia”, Aleksandar Antić, associates, traffic safety experts, and creative teams, at a presentation organized at the hotel “Metropol” in Belgrade, May 13, 2022, two new educational campaigns of the PE “Roads of Serbia” officially started. These campaigns are created with the intent to increase the traffic safety of drivers and other traffic participants by warning them of the danger of driving in the emergency lane on the motorway and hazardous situations caused by damaged or stolen traffic signage.

The PE “Roads of Serbia” continues with the implementation of activities related to the improvement of road traffic safety and systematically influences the raising of awareness of traffic participants.



The main goal of educational campaigns is raising awareness about fatalities in traffic accidents, i.e. drawing the public attention to the importance and possibility to improve traffic safety levels, as well as decreasing death rates through education of every traffic participant.



# Do not Drive in Emergency Lane, Do not Stop Life



## Did you know?

- More than 500 people are killed in road accidents in the Republic of Serbia every year;
- Serbia has had more than 120 casualties in motorway accidents in the last three years;
- More than 20 lives have been lost in the emergency lanes on the motorways for the last five years

The educational campaign "Do not Drive in Emergency Lane, Do not Stop Life", conducted by PE "Roads of Serbia", is aimed at influencing the drivers' behavior on the motorways and raising awareness of the significance and use of emergency lanes.

The campaign is conducted to influence the behavior of drivers unlawfully using the emergency lane on the motorway and its aim is to change their behavior in order to free the emergency lane for vehicles with rotating lights. The campaign features the actor Miloš Timotijević.

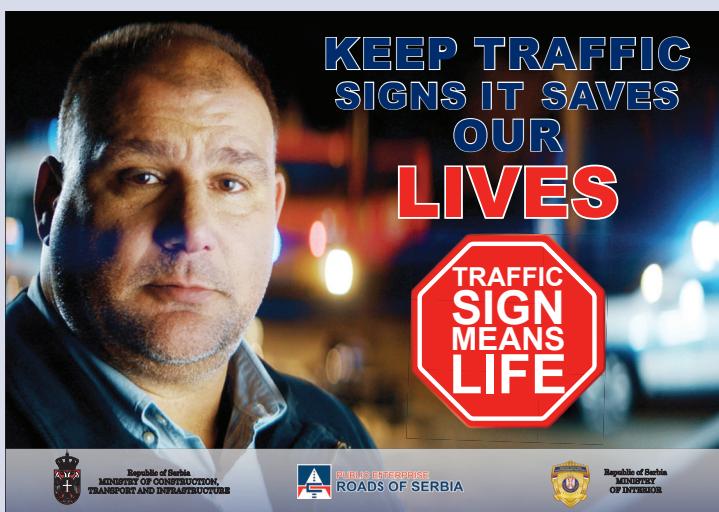
## DID YOU KNOW?

- 1 More than 500 fatalities in traffic accidents a year
- 2 More than 120 fatalities on motorways in last three years
- 3 More than 20 lives are lost on motorways in Serbia in the emergency lane in last five years

## EVEN ONE LOST LIFE IS TOO MUCH



# Traffic Sign Means Life



## Did you know?

- More than 25,000 traffic signs and equipment (parts) have been damaged or stolen in the last 4 years in the Republic of Serbia;
- The value of the stolen and damaged traffic signage and equipment in the last 5 years is over one million euros;

The educational campaign "Traffic Sign Means Life", conducted by PE "Roads of Serbia", is aimed at indicating the impact of damaged and stolen traffic signage and equipment on road safety and also appeals to all those who destroy, steal or damage the traffic signage in any other way not to do that because it could prevent road accidents.

The campaign is conducted to indicate the significance and the role of traffic signage and equipment and the possible effects of destroying and stealing them. The campaign features the ex-coach and former member of the Serbian national water polo team, Dejan Savić.

## DID YOU KNOW?

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- 2 The value of stolen and damaged traffic signs and equipment is over one million euros in last five years



Negligently damaged and intentionally destroyed traffic signs can lead to a fatal traffic accident

## IT IS FORBIDDEN TO

- Destroy
- Remove or replace
- Steal
- Paint or scribble

By stealing and destroying traffic signs you become an accomplice in an accident





## Fourth Serbian Congress on Roads

The Fourth Serbian Congress on Roads was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2022 in Belgrade.

**W**e are at the peak of the investment wave regarding road infrastructure construction in Serbia. In the last 10 years we have built approximately 400 km of motorways and expressways, which places us side by side with the developed countries of Western Europe", said the line minister, Tomislav Momirović during the opening of the Congress on Roads in the hotel "Crown Plaza" in Belgrade and announced the construction of 16 new motorways and expressways in Serbia.

The main topics of the two-day Fourth Congress on Roads were planning and design, new technologies, management, road

The Fourth Serbian Congress on Roads, organized by Serbian Road Association "Via-Vita" and our member, Public Enterprise "Roads of Serbia", takes place on 2-3 June 2022 in Belgrade at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

Serbian and the international experts in the field of road economy will share their knowledge, experience and vision with the congress participants on the following topics:

- Planning and design - Examples and experiences
- Planning and design - New technologies
- Road management, construction and maintenance
- ITS and new technologies in transport
- Efficiency and safety of road traffic
- Sustainable development and environmental protection

More information about the congress can be seen at: <http://www.kongresoputevima.rs/eng/topics.html>



construction and maintenance, efficiency and road safety, sustainable development and environmental protection.

Representatives of PE "Roads of Serbia" and the team for road safety media campaign implementation, Ljerka Ibrović, Nevena Jugović, Ivana Subotić, Rajko Branković and Nikolina Arbunina presented the following campaigns to the visitors: "3 Seconds, Whole Life", "Traffic Sign Means Life" and "Do not Drive in Emergency Lane".

The Fourth Serbian Congress on Roads was organized by the Serbian Road Association "Via-Vita" and PE "Roads of Serbia".

ASECAP – Association Européenne des Concessionnaires d'Autoroutes et d'Ouvrages a Peage published on its website, in the section "Members News" that the Fourth Congress on Roads took place on 2nd and 3rd June 2022 in Belgrade. The news also included the congress topics.

# Development of Border Crossing Santovo – Bački breg

On 23rd June 2022, at the premises of PE "Roads of Serbia", a press conference was held where the progress of the project "Development of Border Crossing Santovo – Bački breg with the Necessary Customs Office and Facilities for Cargo Traffic", financed from the European Union Interreg IPA funds was presented. The project partners are the National Infrastructure Agency of Hungary (NIF Zrt.), PE "Institute for Urban and Spatial Planning Vojvodina" and PE "Roads of Serbia".

Those present were addressed by Zoran Drobnjak, Acting Director at PE "Roads of Serbia", Miodrag Poledica, Assistant Director, and, via an online platform, Zoltan Nyul, the Project Manager on behalf of the National Infrastructure Agency of Hungary. The project details were also presented by Jovana Đurović, Head of the Department for Strategic Planning, Studies and Development at PE "Roads of Serbia" and Tamara Zelenović Vasiljević Ph.D., member of the PE "Institute for Urban and Spatial Planning Vojvodina" Project Team.



The project goal is the development of the border crossing Santovo-Bački Breg for all types of cargo traffic without limitations since currently, this border crossing allows only traffic for passenger and cargo vehicles up to 3.5 t. PE "Roads of

Serbia", as a partner in the project, has a task to develop the necessary design documentation, the conceptual solution and the building permit design for the development of the border crossing for cargo traffic.



## Initiative Open Balkan

An initial meeting between the representatives of PE "Roads of Serbia", PE "Motorways Republic of Srpska" and PE "Motorways of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina" was held on 27th October 2022 at the premises of PE "Roads of Serbia".

The meeting was attended by Miodrag Poledica, Assistant Director, Milenko Čaković, Executive Director of the Sector for Toll Collection with Nenad Grubić, Assistant Executive Director, Slobodan Stanare-

vić, Acting Director of PE "Motorways Republic of Srpska" and Elmedin Voloder, director of PE "Motorways of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina".

The subject of the meeting was connecting the electronic toll collection systems (ETC) on the motorways in Serbia, Republic of Srpska and the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina within the initiative "Open Balkan". It was agreed that in the next few weeks a meeting of the tech-

nical teams from the three companies will be held regarding the ETC system connection, after which an agreement between the companies on the implementation of joint TAG devices would be signed within the initiative "Open Balkan".

Up to now, agreements have been made between Serbia, North Macedonia and Albania regarding the establishment of a unique electronic toll collection system within the initiative "Open Balkan".

# Symposium "Prevention of Road Accidents 2022" in Novi Sad

Organized by the Road Safety Association of Serbia (UBSS), the 15th international symposium "Prevention of Road Accidents 2022" was held in Novi Sad, with the participation of Ljerka Ibrović, Nevena Jugović, Nikolina Arbutina, Marija Doto and Nebojša Kecović from PE "Roads of Serbia".

On the first day of the symposium, the experts from our enterprise presented their papers on the following subjects:

- "Effects of Campaign "3 Seconds, a Whole Life" on Following Distance and Number and Severity of Road Accidents Consequences"
- "Raising Awareness of Traffic Participants on Significance and Use of Emergency Lanes"
- "Impact of Damaged and Stolen Traffic Signage and Equipment on Traffic Safety"

The symposium was another opportunity to promote the long-standing and continuous work of PE "Roads of Serbia" on raising awareness of traffic participants



using the educational campaigns "Three Seconds, a Whole Life", "Do not Drive in Emergency Lane" and "Traffic Sign Means Life".



## Delegation of Engineers Chamber of Montenegro Visits Construction Site on Section of Motorway Preljina - Požega

On 17th and 18th October 2022, the delegation of the Engineers Chamber of Montenegro section visited several construction sites on the section of the motorway E-763 Preljina - Požega and the constructed sub-section of the motorway Preljina – Brančić. The visit was organized by the Sector for Investments, the Sector for Traffic Management Information Sys-

tem and the Department for Public Relations of PE "Roads of Serbia".

During the extensive expert program, twenty-three professional association members visited the interchange "Pakovraće" and Bridge no.8 under construction, the tunnel operational center "Brančić", the tunnel Laz construction site,

the interchange Lučani and Bridge no.10, as well as the "Great Ravine" on Detour 12.

The visit from the colleagues from Montenegro was yet another opportunity to exchange experiences, especially new ones, regarding the construction of large infrastructure projects, including the construction of the mentioned section of the motorway towards Montenegro.

# International Certificate for Road Safety Management Systems

Official awarding of Road Safety Management Systems certificates in line with the standard ISO 39001:2012 was held on 6th May 2022 at the PE "Roads of Serbia" premises, thus confirming that this system has been established in our enterprise by the highest standards, which is proven by the previously successfully completed inspection, carried out by the certification authority "PCC Cert Balkan" from Belgrade.



On behalf of Acting Director, Zoran Drobnjak, the gathering was greeted by Ljerka Ibrović, Head of the Department for Public Relations, after which those present were addressed by Derran Williams



from London, Senior Health and Safety Advisor at EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development). On behalf of PE "Roads of Serbia", the certificate was

awarded to Assistant Director Miodrag Poledica by Director General at the certification authority "PCC Cert Balkan", Miloš Vasić.

## EV Days – Conference on Electromobility in Novi Sad



Zoran Drobnjak, Acting Director at PE "Roads of Serbia" participated in "EV Days" – the conference on electromobility, dedicated to new global technological solutions for the transport of people and goods, held on 8th and 9th December 2022 at "Master Centar" in Novi Sad.

The conference was opened by the Mayor of Novi Sad, Miloš Vučević. Director Drobnjak spoke on the second day of the conference at the panel "How to Overcome Problem of Electric Vehicle Range – modern infrastructure challenges of new electric vehicle charging technologies."



## Putarijada 2022

Organized by the Confederation of Autonomous Trade Unions of Serbia – Autonomous Trade Union of Serbian Road Workers, from 30th June to 3rd July 2022, the 26th Workers' Sports Games – "Putarijada 2022", were held on Kopaonik.

Like every year, a large number of sports people – road industry amateurs, took part – around 850 employees from 23 road companies competed for medals in 8 sports disciplines. Colleagues from PE "Roads of Serbia" won gold medals in chess and table tennis (both categories), tug-of-war (women), a silver medal in mini football (men) and bronze medals in darts and archery (women), as well as in tug-of-war (men). At team events, PE "Roads of Serbia" won first place, RC "Požarevac" LLC won second, and the team of RC „Kragujevac“ LLC third place.

## Promotion of Electronic Toll Collection and Road Safety Campaign

The long-standing practice of the Department for Public Relations and the Sector for Toll Collection joint activities at the promotion of electronic toll collection and the road safety campaign was conducted this summer also. In direct contact with the users, the promoters represented the benefits of ETC usage and indicated the significance and possibilities for road safety improvement.

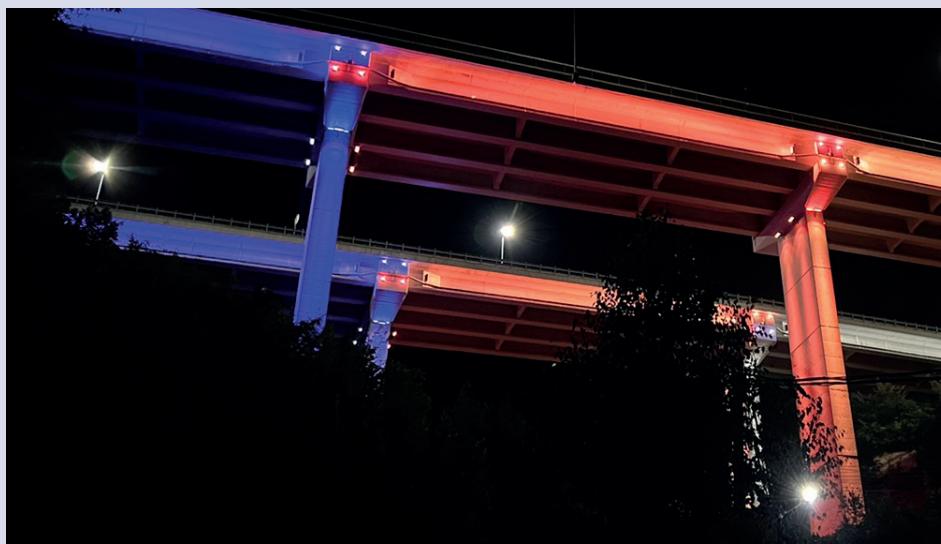




## Support to Association SMA Serbia Action

On the occasion of marking the spinal muscular atrophy (SMA) awareness month, on 6th August, PE "Roads of Serbia" lighted the bridge "Vrla" at Vladicin Han and the bridge at Dimitrovgrad in the official colours of spinal muscular atrophy. As a socially responsible company, PE "Roads of Serbia" has joined the initiative for lighting structures during August as a sign of solidarity and support to those afflicted and their families, who fight the severe disease on a daily basis.

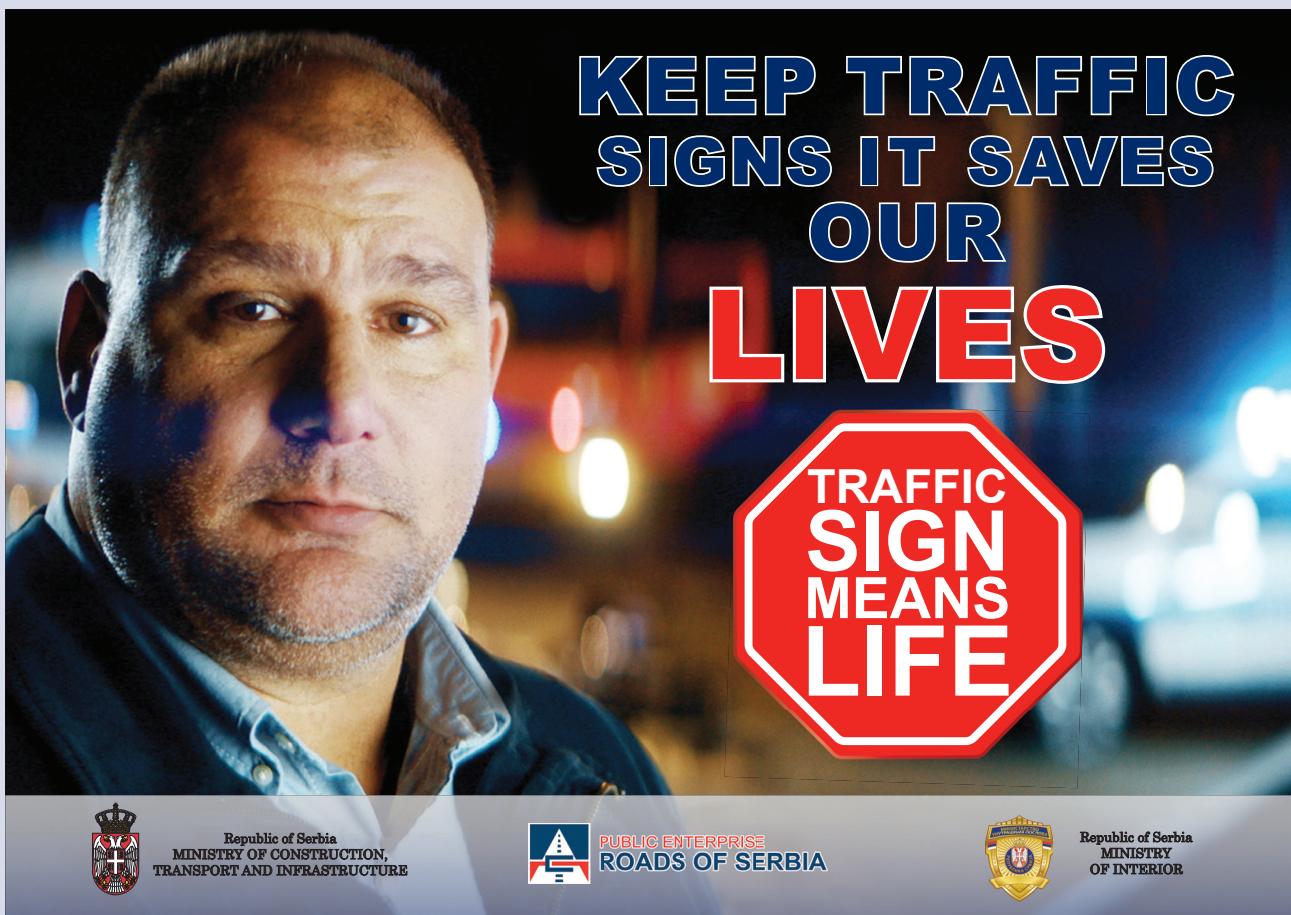
The action was conducted at the initiative of the SMA Serbia Association, aimed at spreading awareness of rare diseases, the need for joint and persistent struggle, and the improvement of that population's life quality.



## GDI Solutions Day 2022

At this year's manifestation "GDI Solutions day 2022", taking place on 4th October 2022 at the hotel "Hilton" in Belgrade, our colleagues from the Sector for Traffic Management Information System represented our enterprise.

"GDI Solutions day" is a traditional annual professional gathering, where users of modern geoinformatics technology from various industries, such as telecommunication, infrastructure, transport and logistics meet, as well as the representatives of public administration, i.e. ministries, agencies, municipalities and cities.



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