

Thematic meeting at Stip

On 20th November 2008 in Stip, a thematic meeting named Local Action plan for ethnic minorities' participation in public policies making was organized by NGOSC Stip. 16 representatives of institutions and NGOs from Stip and Kumanovo participated in this thematic meeting. The facilitator of the meeting was Violeta Dimovska, from NGO *Akcija Zdruzenska*.

The expectations of the participants from the thematic meeting were: to exchange experiences and information about the preparation of action plan; to identify priorities of ethnic minorities in Municipalities of Stip and Kumanovo; to gain a new knowledge; to create a draft version of local action plan; to improve cooperation for solving common problems.

They worked separately in two groups: the first working group worked on draft version of local action plan for Kumanovo; the second working group worked on draft version of local action plan for Stip. The atmosphere and the work on the meeting were very creative and constructive.

Result of the workshop in Stip was preparation of two draft action plans for ethnic minorities' participation in public policies making, one for Municipality of Kumanovo and one for Municipality of Stip.