



“EU-teach-a-day” 2009

Children to discuss Kosovo’s European future with EU diplomats

14 May – 13 June 2009

School children across Kosovo will have the opportunity to discuss opportunities and challenges for Kosovo on its way to the European Union during the “EU-Teach-a-day” project. EU diplomats together with representatives from EU presences will visit elementary, secondary and higher education schools throughout Kosovo until mid-June.

Representatives from all EU Member States will explain what the EU means for everybody individually and provide concrete examples on how all EU Member States are committed to the European perspective of Kosovo as part of the Western Balkan region.

Thursday, 14 May – 9.30 am, Sami Frasheri, Secondary School in Pristina:

First Lecture of the “EU-teach-a-day” with
Deputy Minister of Education Agim Hyseni and
Alison Weston, Chief of Staff of the EUSR office

The project is an initiative of the EUSR office, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology and the Czech Presidency in Kosovo.

Pieter Feith, EU Special Representative:

“Young people are the ones called to imagine and create their future. They are the ones who inherit the future, and we have to take on our responsibilities to encourage them to become partners in the European future right now. That is why I am pleased that over the coming weeks EU ambassadors and representatives of EU missions here will be visiting schools throughout Kosovo to hear their vision of Kosovo’s European future and answer questions about the EU “

Enver Hoxhaj, Minister for Education:

“The Government of Kosovo is very committed to create a better future for young generations. One of the main objectives is to link education with the needs of economy and to create a society based on competitive knowledge and growth by creating new possibilities for employment. The Ministry of Education, Science and Technology is building a European oriented



system of education through compliance with the European practises and standards, where the education is economy and economy is Europe.”

Janina Hrebickova, Czech Ambassador on behalf of the Czech Presidency in Kosovo:

“Generations of our parents and grandparents were deprived of the right to a free, tolerant, unbiased education which is an essential part of freedom and human rights. Now that I represent not only my country of origin but the whole European family on behalf of the Czech EU Presidency in Kosovo, it is an honour for me to address a new generation of Kosovo pupils that benefit from an education and future based on these essential human rights.”

Please note:

- The “EU-teach-a-day” visits are aimed towards school children and are not open to the public. The public can follow the main development through the [EU-teach-a-day website](#) in the coming days.
- Media alerts: will be sent prior to “EU-teach-day” visit when the presence of media is welcome. For questions, please refer to Betim Nimani, Press assistant: Betim Nimani: Landline: 038 2044 336; mobile phone: 044 57 071

