



WELCOME TO OUR JULY NEWSLETTER!

We are more than pleased to share with you the information that Bisnode, partner of global network Dun & Bradstreet, has awarded DIPOS an international gold certificate of creditworthiness - triple gold A (AAA) for business results achieved also in 2020.

Based on DnB parameters and international guidelines for calculating credit rating, the Company's results in 2020 were assigned maximum number of points (100/100), which again ranked us among 0.4% of the most business-stable companies out of 473,526 active entities in the Republic of Serbia, i.e. 4% of companies with above-average quality of operations in Serbia.

We are also glad to invite you to learn more in our newsletter about the bilateral relations between our country and Canada, the Arab Republic of Egypt, and the Republic of Belarus, or to find out more about our famous diplomat Konstantin Koča Popović.

Enjoy the read!



VISIT TO THE ENDOWMENT OF THE HILANDAR MONASTERY IN BELGRADE

On July 5, 2021, employees of Property management and rental company Dipos doo Belgrade, led by the director of the Company, Mr. Krivokapić, had the opportunity to visit the Endowment of the Holy Monastery Hilandar in Belgrade and on that occasion meet the Abbot of the Most Venerable Archimandrite Methodius and receive his blessing.



Abbot Methodius was enthroned as Abbot of the Holy Imperial Lavra of Hilandar in 2010. In addition, he is the President of the Management Board of the Endowment of the Holy Monastery of Hilandar, an institution founded by the monastery in 2003 in Serbia, for the purpose of charitable work and care for the Hilandar heritage. After a devastating fire that engulfed half of the Hilandar monastery building in 2004, he was given the task of leading the endeavour of its renovation.



The cooperation between the Holy Monastery of Hilandar and this Company dates back to 1998, when the then Government of the FR Y donated 2 buildings in Belgrade to the Monastery of Hilandar, in which the premises of the Endowment of the Holy Monastery of Hilandar are located today.

Canada and the Republic of Serbia

CONTINUITY OF RELATIONS BETWEEN DISTANT COUNTRIES

Geographical distance between Serbia and Canada has not been an obstacle to establishing permanent and continuous relations between the two countries in times of great challenges. The date of the official beginning of diplomatic relations between Belgrade and Ottawa is May 30, 1941, when the Decree of King Peter II was dated, with the decision to open the Embassy of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia in Ottawa. Today, the partnership between the two countries has been strengthening with positive economic tendencies, revitalization of political dialogue and intensive military, cultural and academic cooperation.



One of the key elements in the development of Serbian - Canadian relations is the fact that one of the largest Serbian communities in the world lives and works in Canada. Toronto and Vancouver are the cities with the highest number of Serbs who are very well integrated and significantly contribute to Canadian social and economic life.

Marking the 80th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations this year, the Archives of Yugoslavia organized an exhibition of documents named "Belgrade - Ottawa Diplomatic Relations from the Establishment to the Present Day". There is still time to visit it before the closing on August 1, 2021!

For more information on relations between Serbia and Canada
please visit our **BLOG**.

EUROPEAN VALUES BUILT ON THE POST-SOVIET TRADITION

Although the people of Belarus have developed a special ethnic identity and language over time, they have rarely had the opportunity to enjoy political sovereignty in history. This country gained independence in 1991, separating from the USSR, but it maintained closer political and economic ties with today's Russia than other former Soviet republics. In modern Belarus, post-Soviet traditions and European values are mixed, which is mostly reflected in the most famous and capital city - Minsk.



Diplomatic relations between the Republic of Belarus and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia were established on November 15, 1994. Today, Belarus takes a consistent position regarding the non-recognition of the unilaterally declared independence of Kosovo and supports the territorial integrity of the Republic of Serbia. This country voted against the admission of Kosovo to UNESCO in 2015. The Embassy of the FRY was opened in Minsk in 1996, and in November the same year the Embassy of Belarus in Belgrade started operation in Škarka's villa in Deligradska Street, which is managed by Dipos.



In order to improve its business operations and develop international cooperation, Dipos has been cultivating partnership with the Belarus Directorate of Service for the Diplomatic Corps and official delegations "Dipservice" since 2019. Cooperation Agreement with this institution has also been signed.

Please refer to our **BLOG** for more information
on relations between Belarus and Serbia.

CONNECTED BY DIPLOMACY, CULTURE AND TOURISM

Relations between Serbia and Egypt have set an example of friendly cooperation for more than two centuries. The connection through diplomacy, culture and tourism is part of the past, present and future of our two countries.

Partnership between Yugoslavia and Egypt reached its peak when Presidents Tito, Nasser and Nehru founded the Non-Aligned Movement, which appeared on the global political scene in the early 1960s as an alternative to the bloc-based division of the world. Symbolically, they also represented three continents - Europe, Africa and Asia.



Meeting of Tito and Naser on the ship Galeb

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The Egyptian civilization is one of the oldest in history, which had a significant impact on the development of ancient Greece, the Roman Empire and Western civilization in general. Serbia also developed great interest in meeting this part of the world.

Thus, even before the establishment of official diplomatic ties, in August 1888, the citizens of Serbia had the opportunity to see an Egyptian mummy exhibited in the National Museum in Belgrade. It was bought by the philanthropist and patron Hadži Pavle Riđički during his trip to Egypt, in Luxor, on the street market, as he stated "out of patriotic intention" and "not for himself, but for the Serbian people". The mummified human remains, which belong to Nesmin, a priest from Ahmim, have recently been re-exhibited in the National Museum and represent the only artifact of this kind in Serbia.



Belgrade mummy in the National Museum in Belgrade

(Source: National Museum)

We strongly recommend you to visit this unique Egyptian collection.

See also our **BLOG** for more information
on Egypt and Serbia!

SERBIAN DIPLOMATS

Konstantin-Koča Popović

Konstantin-Koča Popović was a renowned diplomat and state official in socialist Yugoslavia. He was a Sorbonne student, writer and one of the founders of the Belgrade Surrealist Group. He took part in the Spanish Civil War and National Liberation War. All his life he fought against fascism, Bolshevism and all other forms of one-mindedness. Inspired by the tradition of the Enlightenment and the French Revolution, he was also one of the most ardent advocates of true non-alignment and democracy.



Koča Popović as the head of the Yugoslav delegation at the UN General Assembly
(Source: Wikipedia)

We invite you to read more interesting details on his life and diplomatic career at our **BLOG**.



OUR COLLECTION “MARBLE AND SOUNDS”

One of the most impressive sculptures in our collection of sculptures "Marble and Sounds" is "Liberation of the Stone", whose author is one of the most acknowledged Belgian sculptors, Jan Dries.



This sculptor was the founder of the G58 and the De Nieuwe Vlaamse school. He became famous in the 1950s with his authentic ceramic sculptures. Dries aspired to pure forms in which colour gave way to the gift of light. After experimenting with gypsum for the first time in 1959-1960, he worked mainly with white Carrara marble which absorbs light.



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