

# **FINAL REPORT**

# The City of Bijeljina – European City of Sport 2020

By obtaining the status of "European City of Sport 2020", the City of Bijeljina started with activities to promote the award and all accompanying content related to that status.

ACES is also presented on the official website of the City of Bijeljina and in different sport activities and meeting of officials of City of Bijeljina:

https://www.gradbijeljina.org/sr/1798.grad-sporta.html

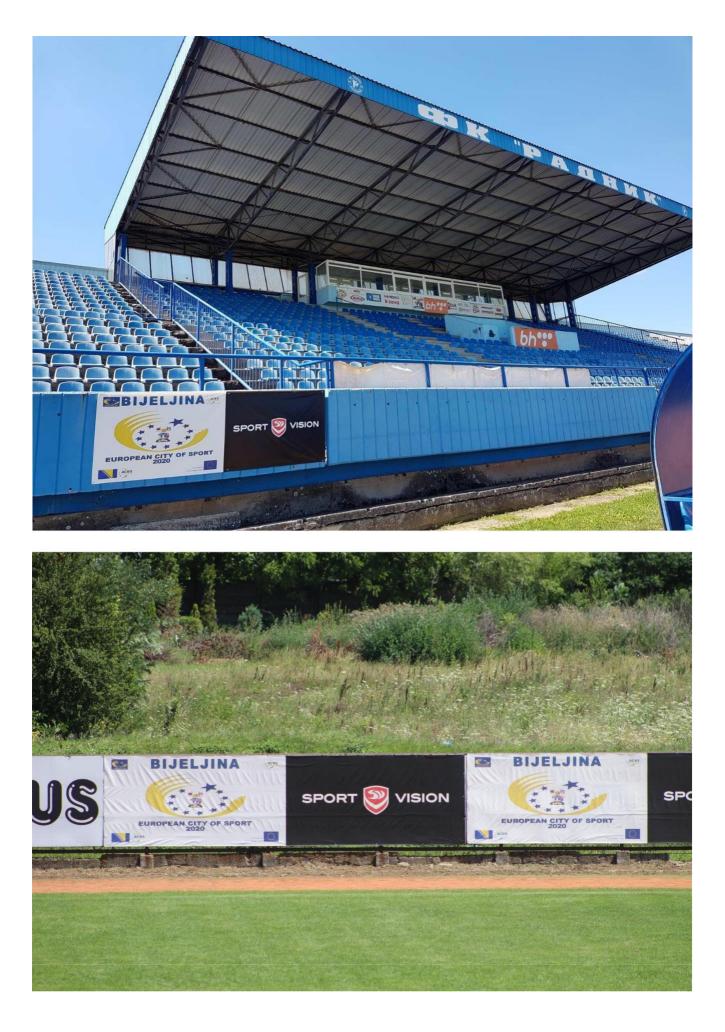


ACES and the European title were promoted on the propaganda material, which we shared with gifts to the partners of the City of Bijeljina for the New Year and Christmas holidays.



In cooperation with the official sponsor of the **European City of Sport 2020** the company **"Sport Vision"** sport company, City of Bijeljina has branded sports with the name/brand of ACES Europe in sport facilities where competitions take place.







### January 2020

Every year in January, we organize the traditional event "**Athlete of the Year of the City of Bijeljina**" ACES Europe was present in all aspects of this year's event.

All awards had title European City of Sport 2020 features.





#### February/March

In February and March, school competitions were held for primary and secondary schools in **indoor soccer**, **volleyball**, **basketball**, **handball**, **athletics and chess** as part of the "Small Olympic Games", which are held every year under the auspices of the Ministry.











Prizes with the ACES Europe logo were provided for all competitions

#### June/July 2020

Current activities are aimed at further promotion of ACES, but the continuation of the competition is uncertain due to Covid 19 pandemic.

A brochure on the most significant achievements of the City of Bijeljina is currently being prepared, in which the sports presentation of the city will take a significant place.



Also, we emphasize the advice, support and assistance in making a presentation of the City of Zrenjanin for the City of Sports 2021. The Mayor of Bijeljina, Mr. Mićo Mićić recommended the City of Zrenjanin from the Republic of Serbia for the candidacy of ACES.

#### September - December 2020

Due to COVID19 pandemic a lot of sport activities and events planned for 2020 have been cancelled or postponed for 2021 however some of the events took place in September 2020 before lockdown starting from October till December 2021.

#### International bicycle race Belgrade - Banja Luka - September 2020

As part of the **International Bicycle Race Belgrade - Banja Luka**, the City of Bijeljina was the organizer and sponsor of the goal of the first stage, which runs from Belgrade to Bijeljina on September 4, and the start of the second stage, which runs from Bijeljina to Vlasenica on September 5, 2020.

The competition is on the calendar of the International Cycling Union (UCI), despite the problems due to the corona virus pandemic, it gathered about 100 bikers from about 20 countries.

The Spanish Pro Continental team Kaha Rural, the Polish Voster, which gave the overall winner last year, and there is also another Polish team from Mazovia, and teams from the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Kazakhstan, and even from the UAE, China and Cambodia.

Due to the complex epidemiological situation, the International Cycling Union (UCI) has prescribed strict measures that must be respected by all participants in the caravan.









## EUROPEAN WEEK OF MOBILITY SEPTEMBER 16 – SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

The aim of activities was to increase the awareness about urban mobility in the City of Bijeljina and to announce the launching of an initiative for defining a circular bicycle path and inclusion in the International Bicycle Route Sava.







**NOTE**: Due to COVID19 pandemic a lot of sport activities and events planned in the City of Bijeljina for 2020 have been cancelled or/and postponed for 2021 however some of the events took place the in period of January/March 2020 and later in September 2020 before lockdown starting from October and lasting till spring 2021.

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