

Intercultural Camp Supported By OSCE Missions Concludes In Brčko

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The second OSCE-supported intercultural camp in Brčko was held from 29 November to 3 December 2018. The OSCE Mission to BiH, in partnership with the OSCE Mission to Serbia and the Education Department of the Brčko District government, organized the follow-up camp to heighten the participants' awareness of their potential role in promoting civic education, human rights, inter-cultural dialogue, as well as in tackling peer violence and other security threats.

A total of 60 students from Brčko and Novi Pazar gathered for the event, including 40 students who attended the first camp and 20 new students. Meetings with the Brčko Government and Assembly officials were organized as well as a tour of the Brčko District.

'By working today, by speaking out, by making their voices heard, youth can alter the course of events and mould the future of their countries into something that they would be proud to inherit. I recognize that this is not always easy - youth opinions are often ignored, the platforms to voice them are scarce, and the pressure to accept the status quo is great. But words and ideas can really move mountains,' said Bruce G. Berton, Head of the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The programme included thematic workshops designed to promote interaction among the young people and strengthen their resilience to violent radicalization and extremism by fostering tolerance and intercultural understanding.

The OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina and the OSCE Mission to Serbia are committed to assisting youth organizations in both countries in strengthening youth connectivity and in creating opportunities for dialogue between young people towards long-term peace and stability in the region.

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