

**PROJECT “RENOVATION OF FIVE MUNICIPAL
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE CITY OF RUSE,
INCLUDING THEIR ADJACENT YARD SPACES”,**
implemented with the financial support of Operational Programme
“Regions in Growth” 2014-2020 co-financed by the European Union
through the European Regional Development Fund

Contract value: 12 402 900, 66 BGN

Project implementation period: 30 months

Main project objectives: The project contributes to the implementation of one of the specific objectives of the Integrated Plan for Urban Regeneration and Development, namely optimisation of the educational, health, transport and engineering infrastructure. The project is part of the implementation of the Investment Programme of Ruse Municipality under Operational Programme “Regions in Growth” 2014-2020. It contributes to the implementation of the Municipal Development Plan 2014-2020, as well as the Regional Development Strategy of Ruse Region.

Main activities:

- Organisation and management
- Conducting public procurement procedures and concluding contracts with suppliers, contractors or service providers
- Execution of construction and installation works
- Exercising construction supervision
- Exercising designer supervision
- Information and communication activities
- Project audit

Final beneficiaries:

- **Children, students, pedagogical and non-pedagogical staff** – the working conditions will be improved, which will increase the working capacity of the target group. Improving the quality of training is expected;
- **Families of students and children attending the schools and kindergartens;**

- **The municipal administration and the administrations of the schools and kindergartens** will make budget savings and will be able to allocate funds for solving other priority issues in education.

In relation to the management of the educational institutions, the project implementation will provide opportunity for management optimisation by reducing energy consumption and energy costs respectively. The Municipality and its residents as a whole will have access to higher quality services in the field of education and raising the children and students.

RESULTS:

- **Major renovation** of five buildings part of the educational infrastructure of the city of Ruse – Kindergarten “Pinokio” 1, Kindergarten “Pinokio” 2, Kindergarten “Rusalka” 2, “Hristo Botev” Secondary School, “Baba Tonka” Profiled Secondary School of Mathematics;
- **Implementation of energy efficiency measures;**
- **Rehabilitation of** adjacent yard spaces, construction of new outdoor playgrounds in the kindergartens, construction of new sports grounds and landscaping in the adjacent yard spaces of the schools;
- **Introducing measures for accessible environment** for providing equal conditions for disadvantaged people.

The activities provided under the project contribute to the achievement of the equal opportunities and social inclusion policies by not imposing restrictions on sex, ethnic origin, race, age, etc., and the improvement of the physical environment in the central part of Ruse will make it more attractive for the residents of the municipality, with the measures provided under the project ensuring equal access for all representatives of the target groups and end beneficiaries. The implementation of the construction and installation activities will provide opportunity for better social integration of the disadvantaged people by providing accessible physical environment, free access and improved conditions for professional realisation.