

Representatives of Kozarska Dubica presented at the headquarters of the Italian Institute for Foreign Trade /ICE/ in Rome opportunities to invest in a Business Zone "Lipova greda". The presentation was held within the conferences "BiH economic opportunities for Italian companies", which was organized in cooperation with ICE and the Agency for promotion of foreign investments in BiH /FIPA/.

"Kozarska Dubica is the only municipality from BiH invited to present investment opportunities in the Business Zone 'Lipova greda' given that according to estimates it is the most perspective business zone in BiH", said the Head of the Department for Economic and Social Affairs of Municipality Kozarska Dubica, Dragan Mataruga. He said that at the conference, which was held yesterday in Rome, there were over 150 participants and more than 100 Italian businessmen, representatives of ministries, banking sectors and others.

"After the presentation bilateral meetings were organized with all interested Italian businessmen, where they could inform themselves more about all the benefits that the municipality Kozarska Dubica provides to potential investors", said Mataruga. He added that as a participant in the conference he is satisfied with the results.

"After the presentation, we have had some interesting conversations from which we expect visits of Italian businessmen to Kozarska Dubica and further realization", confirmed Mataruga.

The conference participants were addressed by, among others, the Italian Ambassador to BiH Raimondo De Kardena, BiH Ambassador to Italy Branko Kesić, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs Ana Trišić-Babić, Director of the BiH FIPA Jelica Grujić, Director of the ICE Office in Sarajevo Massimo Di Giandomenico, Chief of Office of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in BiH Giulio Moreno and Political Advisor of the European Delegation in BiH Fusko Orlando.

Municipality Kozarska Dubica two years ago started the realization of the project formation of Business Zone "Lipova greda" with the ultimate aim of opening new facilities and creating employment opportunities.

Thanks to the Government of the Republic of Srpska, 69 acres of land was transferred to municipality ownership, into infrastructural works, which began immediately after the signing a

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cooperation agreement between the municipality Kozarska Dubica and a consulting company "International Bridge Consulting" /IBC/ from Italy, KM 1,2 million have been invested.

Business Zone "Lipova greda" at present has one investor who has announced hiring 30 workers.

