

Stakeholder meeting at the Ministry of Transport and Communications

A meeting was held in the Ministry of Transport and Communications with the State Secretary of the Ministry, Mr. Zoran Manevski and the same participants from MS and BC; H.E. Mr. Emilio Lorenzo Serra, Mr. Crespo Arce, Mr. Vasquez Asenjo, Ms Picos Perez, Ms Frkovic-Gelevska, Ms Avramoska-Gjoreska and Ms Jankovikj.

The project and its implementation up to date were presented, highlighting that the Ministry's representatives take an active part in the TW activities and workshops. The need for full market liberalization was noted, as the Ministry is the institution proposing amendments to the law. The Ministry needs to be aware that the full market liberalization should not be further delayed. The introduction of a system of separate accounting for the universal service provider was also discussed.

The State Secretary explained that the Ministry fully supports the TW and also agrees with the need for market liberalization and the necessity for legislative changes. The Director of the Postal Agency said that a working group with representatives from both the Agency and the Ministry will work on the amendments to the Law on Postal Services in the near future.



Meeting with the State Secretary of the Ministry of Transport and Communications (photo: Kire Kocevski)

Another meeting was held with the Postal Agency Commission.

The members of the Agency Commission are well acquainted with the course and implementation of the Twinning project through the reports of the PA management and they once again expressed the support for the project.

It was duly noted that the results of the Twinning project are already being implemented in the current work of the Agency, which shows the commitment of the Postal Agency so far, confirming that the project is of great importance for strengthening the Agency's capacities.



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Meeting with the Postal Agency Commission (photo: Stanko Dimoski)

The MS and BC delegation also met with the Board of Directors of the designated operator – Post of North Macedonia.

Board members are also very familiar with the Twinning project and its activities, as representatives of Post of North Macedonia actively participate in the workshops and trainings organized within the project. The operator is particularly interested in the second project component, as it deals with separate accounting and cost allocation, and this is very important for the future functioning of the operator.

The Spanish experts emphasized the urgent need to introduce a system for separate accounting at the universal service provider without delay, as it is one of the mechanisms to prove the real costs of providing universal service, but also a way of obtaining state aid. The MS is very pleased with the cooperation between the national operator, regulator and Spanish experts and firmly believes that all the prerequisites for establishing a modern accounting system and model of accounting are in line with the European standards.



Meeting with the Board of Directors of Post of North Macedonia (photo: D. Mazlami)



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