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Europe Day



9 May, or "Europe Day", is the anniversary of the Schuman Declaration which is considered to be the beginning of the creation of what is now the European Union. Speaking in Paris in 1950, just 5 years after the most brutal war Europeans ever fought against each other, Robert Schuman, the then Foreign Minister of France, proposed a new form of political arrangement for Europe, whose aim was to make war between Europe's nations unthinkable. During the Milan Summit of EU leaders in 1985 it was decided to celebrate 9 May as "Europe Day".



Today, the 9th May has become a European symbol (Europe Day) which, along with the flag, the anthem, the motto (United in Diversity) and the single currency (the euro), is a symbol of the European Union.



Europe Day all over BiH

Celebrations in Zenica took place on 9 May with an open-air event at Alija Izetbegović Square in the centre of Zenica by Ambassador Peter Sorensen, Head of the EU Delegation/EUSR and the Zenica Mayor Husejin Smajlović.



Youth quiz and art exhibition to celebrate Europe Day in Zenica

Within the programme organized by the EU Delegation/EUSR to mark Europe Day in BiH, the city of Zenica played host to a quiz for elementary school pupils...



Europe Day official reception

Ambassador Peter Sorensen, Head of the Delegation of the EU to Bosnia and Herzegovina/EU Special Representative, hosted an official reception in Sarajevo on the occasion of Europe Day, 9 May.



Sorensen: 'The extinction of misery inside and of war outside'

his Op-Ed, authored by Ambassador Peter Sorensen, was originally published in the dailies Oslobođenje and Večernji list and on the portal Buka...

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