

EAR/IOM project for Street lighting making Mamushë/a a safer and more pleasant place to live



*Inauguration ceremony for new streetlights
for Mamushë/a*

Since November 2002, IOM Kosovo has been implementing the Community Stabilization Programme (CSP), an initiative made possible by European Agency for Reconstruction (EAR)/European Union (EU). The EAR/IOM CSP seeks to improve the social and economic conditions of ethnic minority communities living in enclaves and isolated, disadvantaged areas throughout Kosovo, thereby stabilizing the net outflow of Kosovo's these groups.

In its current fourth phase, CSP has started to target the new pilot municipality of Mamushë/Mamuša. To date, IOM/EAR CSP has provided assistance for the implementation of three community projects identified as top priorities for this young municipality.

On 10 May 2006, EAR/IOM CSP concluded one such community project, which provided street lightening for the area. Enrico Ponziani, the IOM Chief of Mission, Odrón Hayes, EAR Head of Operations and Panagiota Voidonikola, CSP Manager inaugurated the project. The programme supported this project idea since it immediately responded to the community's needs and was recognized as a high priority by the municipal president. Through this EAR/IOM support, the residents of Mamushë/Mamuša now have streetlights all over the city, making it safer and more pleasant place to live.