

PROJECT "BE AN ASTRONOMER"

"Be an Astronomer" is a youth project implemented by AS "Eureka" with the support of Resource Center "Educational Center - Kruševac" within program "Youth Rules" funded by the Ministry of Youth and Sport. The aim of this project is to promote astronomy as a science, hobby and one of the ways how youth can use their free time. Two telescopes 60/900 refractors are bought which will be used in future astronomical activities in the city. The telescopes are owned by the city of Kruševac. Third telescope is bought and donated to elementary school in the village Ribare. This telescope is a donation from AS "Eureka" and association "Youth for Ribare".

During the project the following activities were realized: public observing events in Kruševac (PerseidMeteorShower, observing of the Moon, Saturn, Jupiter), training of students and the study of the Sun's activity based on sunspots by 40 students from Kruševac, measuring light pollution and realization of World Space Week. The project ends in November and results of project will be presented.

FUTURE PLANS

Members of the AS Eureka will actively work to promote astronomy in Kruševac and Serbia and to enlarge number of members which will allow the association to achieve its goals. The plan is to put more emphasis on training of members for writing projects related to the promotion of science and to apply at national and international competitions. The plan is also to register the association, when the conditions are right, to expand opportunities for access to resources and fundings for projects. The main objective of the association will be realization of the project "The sky is (not) the limit" for the construction of astronomical observatory in Kruševac, which will create the infrastructure requirements for constant work of the association and expand cultural, educational and tourist attractions of the city of Kruševac.

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