## Þróunarsjóður innflytjendamála 2013 Development Fund for Immigration Issues

Heiti verkefnis: Albanski móðurmálsskólinn

Nafn styrkþega: "Vatra" - Félaga Albana á Íslandi

## Útdráttur:

Tilgangur þessa verkefnis var að gera börnum af albönskum uppruna kleyft að þróa frekar hæfileika sína í að tala og skrifa á móðurmáli sínu. Auk þess átti að auka félagsleg samskipti þeirra við önnur börn. Ennfremur var einn af mikilvægustu hvötunum að ráðast í þetta verkefni betri aðlögun og samþættingu þessara barn við íslenskt menningarlíf og félagslegt umhverfi. Til að gera þetta var hluti af íslenskri málfræði notaður til samanburðar. Við trúum því að fjárfesting í ungu kynslóðinni í námi á móðurmáli sínu mun alltaf vera gagnleg bæði fyrir börnin sem sækja námið og einnig fyrir samfélagið í heild. Við viljum þakka Velferðarráðuneytinu fyrir verkefnisstyrkinn sem það veitti "Vatra" - Félagi albana á Íslandi.

Project Title: Albanski móðurmálsskólinn

Name of Grantee: "Vatra" - Félaga Albana á Íslandi

## Abstract:

The purpose of this project was to help and support children of Albanian origin that live in Iceland, in developing their abilities and skills for understanding, speaking, reading and writing the mother language - Albanian. Furthermore, another important motivation to launch this project was to help and guide the adaption and integration of children of Albanian origin into Icelandic cultural and social environment. In order to reach that we did incorporate in our teaching comparative methods of both grammars: Albanian & Icelandic. That was a great experience.

With this group of children we have finished only one school-year and last month we started the second school-year. Already the improvement is noticeable. The ability in understanding, speaking, writing, and reading the Albanian language is much better. In close collaboration with the learning activities of Reykjavik's City (Þjónustumiðstoð Breiðholts-"Læsi allra mál") we believe that we did contribute also in increasing the capability of Albanian children in better learning Icelandic and gave them better chances of integration in Icelandic society.

We believe that investing in young generations in learning their mother language will always be beneficial for both the children who attend the courses and also for the society as a whole.

We would like to thank the Ministry of Welfare for allocating the grant to our association and at the same time we assure you that we have used the grant in the best possible way.