

Summary

**THE ELECTRO – MECHANICAL SCHOOL IN ALEKSINAC,
145 YEARS LATER**

March 7th of this year marked the end of the first 145 years of the weekly school for apprentices and journeymen in Aleksinac. The purpose of the school, from as far back as 1860, was to make the youth working in trade and crafts literate and to give them a basic education. This school closed on several occasions, sometimes because of the elders and craftsmen, bosses and the guilds, wars and epidemics, poverty and ignorance. Throughout its history, it changed its name but not its purpose, to educate and enable people to produce and provide services. Today it is the School of Electronics and Mechanics in Aleksinac, which has thousands of graduates living and working all over Serbia.