

A Consulate of the Republic of Austria in the Republic of Serbia, headed by Honorary Consul Goran Jovanovic was established in Nis, on 23 May 2017. By following existing diplomatic procedures, an opening ceremony was held at which Acting Assistant Foreign Minister for Consular Affairs Aca Jovanovic, on behalf of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, received the Letter of Commission from Honorary Consul Jovanovic, handing over to him the exequatur allowing the performance of consular functions in the territories of Nis, Zajecar, Toplica, Jablanica, Pcinj and Pirot districts. In this way, the Consulate of the Republic of Austria began to operate.

The inaugural ceremony was also attended by Mr. Michael Linhart, Secretary General of the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Mr. Werner Almhofer, Director of the Western Balkans and EU Enlargement, Mr. Johannes Eigner, Austrian Ambassador to the Republic of Serbia, Mr. Johannes Irschik, Director of the Austrian Cultural Forum, Mayor of Nis Darko Bulatovic, outstanding persons from cultural life of the Republic of Serbia, representatives of the consular corps and by other officials of our country.