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DESCRIPTION OF THE FESTIVAL

CIOFF® INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL "DAYS OF MOWING - KUPRES BiH 2018" will be held from 27. June to the 01. July 2018., in Kupres, but the festival will be also held in other cities in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Sarajevo the capital of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Čitluk, Mostar, or Bugojno). The festival is included in the global CIOFF festivals calendar because it has reached and respects the standards of international folklore festivals and traditional arts, which aim is to preserve non-material cultural heritage and spread a culture of peace and trust among the people in the world. At the General CIOFF Assembly, which was held in Tahiti on 11th November 2010, the festival "Days of Mowing - KUPRES BiH" was awarded with the certificate, which officially recognized the manifestation status as **"CIOFF® International Festival"**.



This is the copy of the certificate of the international organization CIOFF® (International Council of Organizations of Folklore Festivals and Folk Arts), which is in formal partnership with UNESCO.



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The festival was awarded in 2009 by the BiH Ministry of Culture with the charter for contribution to the protection of non-material cultural heritage and it was included in the Calendar of cultural manifestations of importance for Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The festival covers a **200 years old and unique manifestation of mowers competition** and other traditional sports. That is the reason why this festival is one among the most important annual cultural and touristic events of this kind in Bosnia and Herzegovina.



The festival lasts for 5 days. Among the traditional mowers from Kupres, international horse races and other traditional sports, up to 10 cultural associations from Bosnia and Herzegovina together with five-ten folklore ensembles from guest countries also participate in the manifestation.

MAIN CULTURAL EVENTS IN THE PROGRAM 27. 6. - 01. 7. 2018.



- **5 folklore concerts**, with parade of the ensembles in Kupres and two other cities in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- **Mowing competition**, international horse races and other traditional sports - 01. 7. Sunday, Kupres field



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- **Traditional crafts** and presentations of some traditional crafts and from guest countries/ensembles
- **Ethnographic exhibition** of items from Bosnia and Herzegovina and from guest countries/ensembles



- Expert meetings, analysis of the concerts and other festival happening : Organizer of the festival, Festival Committee and artistic leaders of the ensembles, in the beginning of each festival day at 8:00 AM
 - **Visits to touristic**, cultural and historical destinations in Bosnia and Herzegovina
 - **Media monitoring of the Festival:** National TV and numerous radio stations, newspaper, Book Festival, posters, sound system and video wall on stage.
- Websites:** www.kupres-kultura.org, www.cioff.org, and many other web portals and sites

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