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Ivan TASOVAC

Born in Belgrade in 1966

- 1978 He mastered piano at the Conservatory Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky in Moscow
He made his debut as a pianist with orchestras of Belgrade and Zagreb philharmonics.
During his career he has performed as a soloist with orchestras in Italy, Switzerland, Spain, Ireland, the United States, Russia, Belgium, the former Yugoslav Republics and other countries.
- March 2001 Director of the Belgrade Philharmonic Orchestra
During this time, the Philharmonic has become "one of Europe's leading orchestras" (The Independent), "the cult Serbian band" (Financial Times), "the most successful cultural institutions in Serbia" (Jutarnji List, Zagreb) and "the most powerful PR weapon of Serbia" (Kvallsposten, Malmo).
At his initiative, the Belgrade Philharmonic Orchestra will go on its first tour in history in the United States in autumn 2014. During his tenure, he significantly improved institutional and regional cooperation.
- 2004 He started the Belgrade Philharmonic Foundation "Zubin Mehta" which is considered the founder and main promoter of arts funding model through cooperation between private and public sector in Serbia
The American Friends of the Belgrade Philharmonic Orchestra, founded in 2012 in New York, helps this foundation.
- June 2013 He was invited to be one of the keynote speakers at the debate "The relation between culture and economic development," which was held at the United Nations in New York