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Srdjan VERBIC

Born in Gornji Milanovac in 1970

- 1986 He received the Belgrade October Prize for a second-year research paper in astronomy. After high school, he studied physics and became a regular visitor at the Petnica station.
- 1993 After graduating theoretical physics, he began working as a Petnica station's physics program manager.
- 1996 He entered a post-graduate study program devoted to artificial intelligence and picked up a masters' degree in 2001 for a work called "The Relationship between Free Energy Minimization, Hidden Markov Chains and Decoding Linear Code Blocks."
- 2001 He earned his master's degree after defending a paper on artificial intelligence, followed by a PhD for a paper on evaluating knowledge tests in 2014, which he received from Belgrade University.
- 2003 He joined the Program for International Student Assessment (PISA), a worldwide study.
- 2005 He found employment with the Bureau for Assessing the Quality of Education and Student Behavior, initially as a natural sciences coordinator and advisor, and then as a manager for the Center for Tests in 2013.
- He happens to be second minister in the Serbian cabinet, after Minister of Finance Lazar Krstic, to come from the Petnica research station.