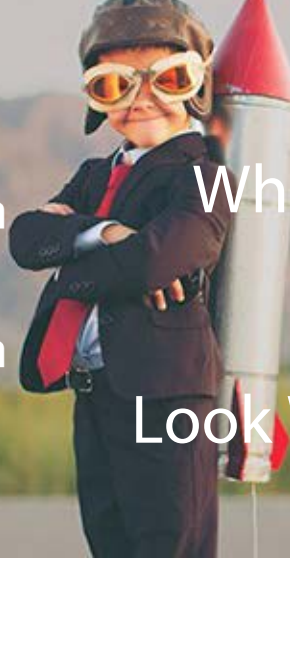


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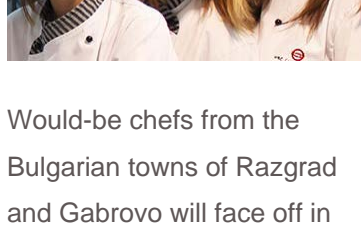


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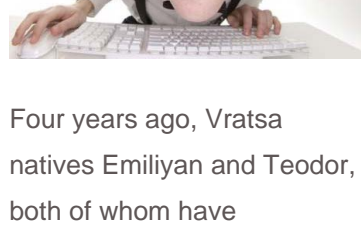
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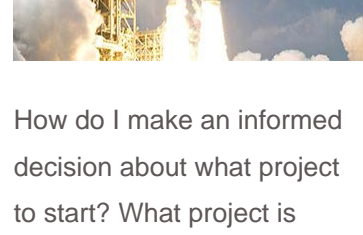
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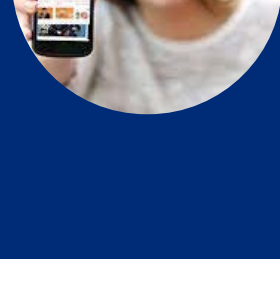
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Stopping the vicious cycle of poverty and creating a sustainable living environment in economically vulnerable areas are the goals of Building a Better Future for All, a program of the Trust for Social Achievement (TSA) in Bulgaria. The program's accomplishments in three Bulgarian municipalities, Kyustendil, Peshtera, and Dupnitsa, earned TSA a United Nations award for outstanding contribution to sustainable urban planning in 2017.

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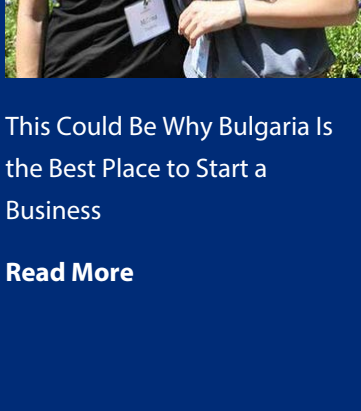
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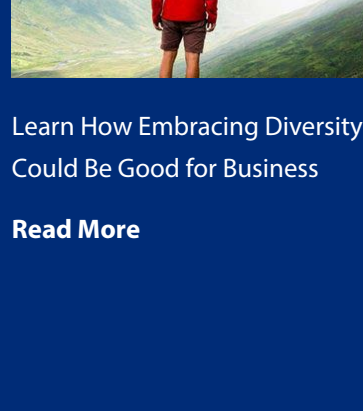
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Thanks to the America for Bulgaria Foundation, participation will be free for all qualifying students, as the Foundation shares Telerik Academy's values and aspirations to see Bulgaria fulfill its digital promise. With ABF support, in the next three years, more than 5,600 students from 13 cities will attend academy programs.

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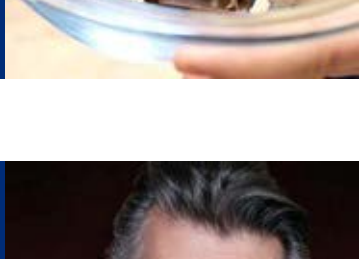
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