

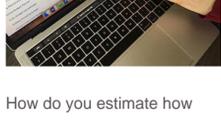
# American optimism meets Bulgarian potential

# Regional Potential

## Many Reasons for Optimism



### Financial Planning for Your Startup in 8 Steps



How do you estimate how much money you need to start a business? Begin by preparing a budget—a table in which you will log all the expected expenses until opening day. Spend some time exploring costs.

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### Raising Bulgaria's Next Generation of Music Lovers



"It's like a chicken that makes music." A five-year-old's reaction to a musical instrument—a bagpipe, in this case—is often visceral and honest and as yet unfettered by etiquette or training. Curiosity about...

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### Migration and the Bulgarian Economy: Some Good News?



As many people are likely to move to Bulgaria as leave it in the next two decades, according to a cautiously optimistic 2018 migration report from Colliers International. Titled "Turning the Tide," the study...

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## What's the Way Forward for Gabrovo? We Asked Its People.

As the manager of the Alternative Art Forms festival in Gabrovo, Svetoslav thought that an acrobatic number would be a great addition to the festival program. But his search for a suitable gig was fruitless. Then, at the Conference of the Future in Gabrovo, he met fellow Gabrovan Tsvetelina, a professional acrobat looking for new opportunities.

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## On Legacy and Memory



### What's the Story behind Bulgaria's UFO?

*A Guide to Communist Bulgaria* is the first comprehensive study of the architectural, artistic, and material heritage of the People's Republic of Bulgaria, featuring a wealth of photos and illustrations. The book was published by Free Speech International Foundation in three bilingual volumes with support from the America for Bulgaria Foundation.

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### Bulgarian Donors in History: The Benefactress from Kazanlak

Prominent Bulgarians' philanthropic activities have been crucial in the building of modern Bulgaria. One such Bulgarian is Bonka Staynova from Kazanlak. She transformed her hometown by supporting initiatives to improve the health and wellbeing of local children and their mothers.



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Exhibition  
A three-volume book detailing the material heritage of the People's Republic of Bulgaria (1944–1989) an...

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### Spotlight: USA Closes With a Show From New York

Dance  
Pomeii, August 24, 79 A.D. It is hot and humid. There are chances of showers. And then... the eruption...

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## Getting Lost in Bulgaria... on Purpose



*Lost on Purpose* is a web series about three young men on the cusp of adulthood who undertake a three-month journey around Bulgaria's most far-flung places. The series is a homage to Bulgaria and its people with a coming-of-age twist. Chris Zahariev, the series director, is a popular vlogger from Sofia.



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