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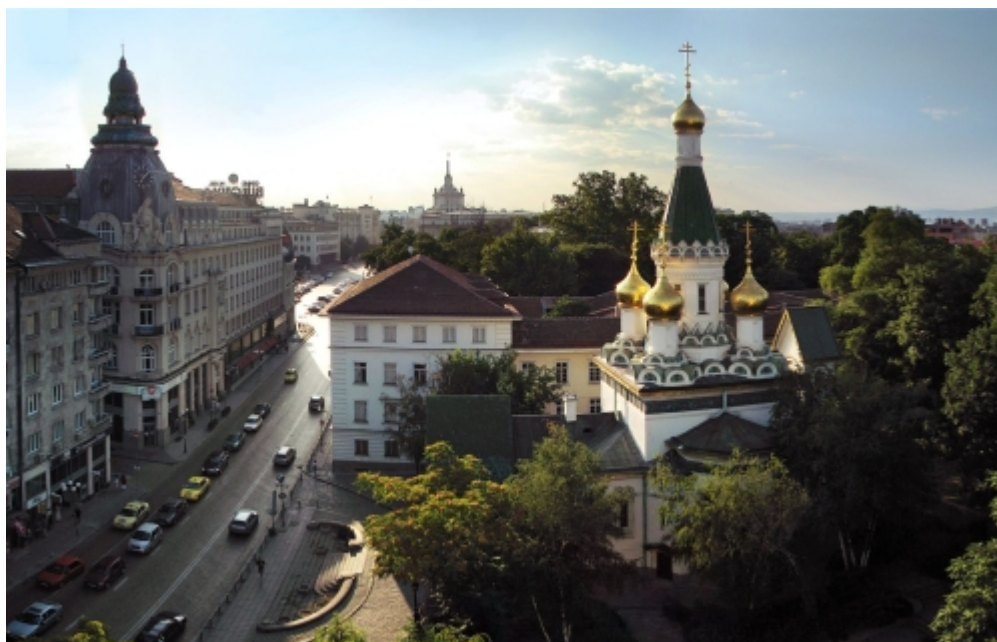
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Bulgaria

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Traffic and demand management

Body:

The Bulgarian government is planning to update the traffic management system in the centre of Sofia in an effort to cut congestion and improve public transport services.

The key feature of the system will be priority traffic lights for public transport vehicles at 20 intersections in the centre of the capital.

750 public transport vehicles - buses, trolleybuses and trams - will be fitted with transceivers that automatically connect to a central system when they approach an intersection. If the vehicle is delayed, the traffic light will be changed to green to allow the vehicle to pass through more quickly.

The estimated value of the tender is 8.2 m Bulgarian lev (€ 4.2 m). It is financed with the help of funds from the [European Regional Development Fund \(ERDF\)](#).

For more information, visit [Dariknews.bg](#) (in Bulgarian).

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