## ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY "NOVI SAD" – ADNOS

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Abstract. Astronomical Society "Novi Sad" – ADNOS, is founded in 1974. The first astronomical amateur group was organized in 1954 at the Higher Pedagogical School as part of the Astronomical Society "Rudjer Bošković" from Belgrade. Professor of physics Živojin Ćulum (1911 – 1991) was the most active in popularizing astronomy in Novi Sad and in Vojvodina. After many efforts (in 1955, 1959, 1963, 1975, 1982) and 1984) in 1984 a building in the Petrovaradin fortress was obtained for People's Astronomical Observatory. The main telescopes of the Observatory are: a refractor "Tasco 20T" 108/1600 mm and a reflector "Meade" 200/1500 mm. The Observatory has photo laboratory, CCD, all equipment for pedagogical activity, and computers Atari 1040th and PC 486/100 MHz. The Astronomical Society organizes astronomical meeting every Tuesday. From October to April these meetings are dedicated to popular lectures in astronomy, held in the Institute of Mathematics. From May to September these meetings are engaged in astronomical observations at the Observatory. In these activities participate 5000 persons from Novi Sad and Vojvodina. The Astronomical Society plans the erection of a small planetarium in the Petrovaradin fortress.