



Launch Event

INTERREG IPA CBC Croatia- Serbia 2014-2020

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IPA CBC (ERDF + IPA II) 2014-2020



IPA CBC, TN & IR programmes with IPA beneficiaries

DG Regional and Urban Policy (DG REGIO) is responsible for coordination of programming of Cross-Border Programmes between IPA Beneficiary Countries and Member States, as well as Transnational and Interregional Cooperation Programmes involving IPA Beneficiary Countries:

- ✓ The IPA II Regulation (EU) No **231/2014**
- ✓ The IPA II Implementing Regulation (EU) No **447/2014**;
- ✓ The ETC Regulation (EU) No **1299/2013** on ERDF within ETC Goal;
- ✓ ERDF Regulation (EU) No **1301/2013** on ERDF within IfGJ Goal;
- ✓ CPR Regulation (EU) No **1303/2013** on ERDF, ESF, CF, EAFRD, EMFF.

Country Strategies and Multi-country Strategies set out proposals for IPA II financial assistance:

- ✓ Multiannual implementation framework 2014-2020;
- ✓ Financing Agreement;
- ✓ Up to four Thematic Priorities.

Reform principles for ERDF OPs (ETC and Country-specific)

- ✓ Thematic concentration;
- ✓ Results orientation;
- ✓ Strategic approach.

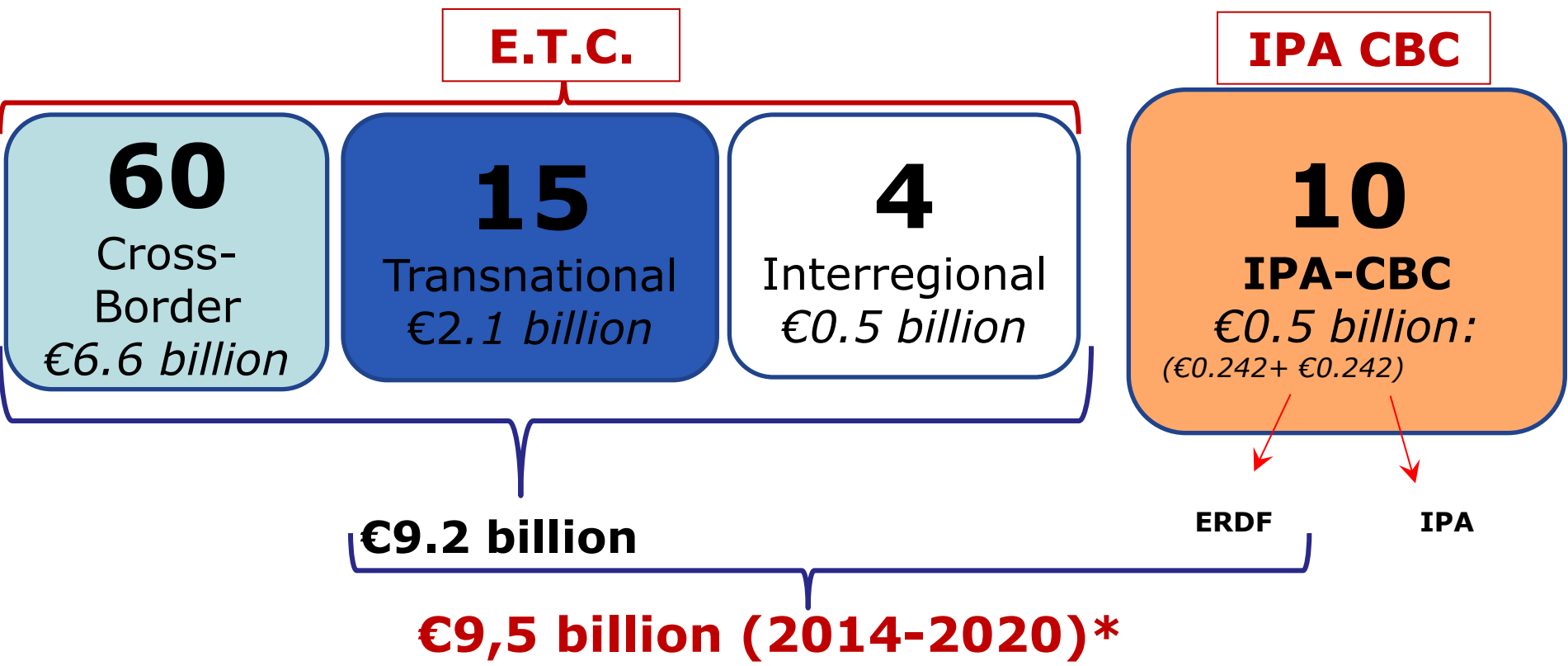


IPA CBC Programmes (ERDF + IPA II)

Cross-Border Cooperation is the most common form of Territorial Cooperation as defined by the European Regional Policy. Its aim (particularly in the case of the Western Balkans) is **to promote good neighbourly relations, foster EU integration and promote socio-economic development in border areas** between countries through joint local and regional initiatives combining both external aid and economic and social cohesion objectives.

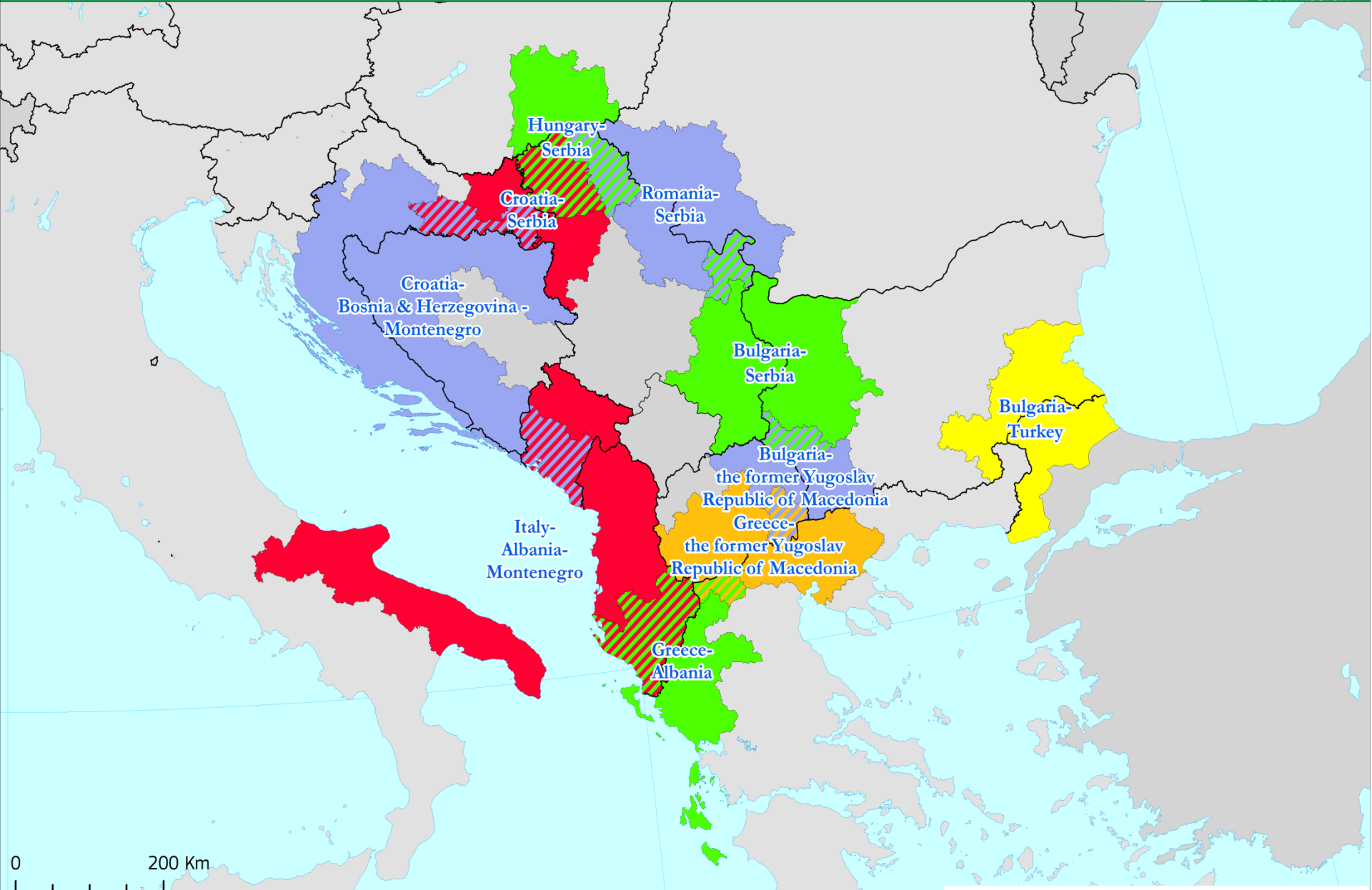
Types of Cooperation Programmes

Commission Implementing decision on cooperation programmes 2014-2020:



maximum co-financing rate: 85%

INTERREG IPA Cross-border Cooperation programmes 2014-2020 between Member States and IPA II beneficiaries



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Macro-regional strategies

Objective: organise cooperation between countries or territories by mobilising local and regional actors to align policies and funding and to identify common issues, solutions and actions.

Principles:

3 Nos: no additional funding, no new structures, no new legislation

Better/more coordinated use of existing structures and instruments

Calendar:

2009: EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region

2011: EU Strategy for the Danube Region

2013: EC Report on the evaluation of added value

2014: EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region

2015: EU Strategy for the Alpine Region

Thematic concentration



IPA II and IPA-CBC Thematic priorities for assistance

- a) Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across the borders;**
- b) Protecting environment and promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation, risk prevention and management;**
- c) Promoting sustainable transport and improving public infrastructures;**
- d) Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage;**
- e) Investment in youth, education, and skills;**



IPA II and IPA-CBC Thematic priorities for assistance

- (f) Promoting local and regional governance and enhancing the planning and administrative capacity of local and regional authorities;**
- (g) Enhancing competitiveness, the business environment, and the development of small and medium size enterprises, trade and investments;**
- (h) Strengthening research, technological development, innovation, information and communication technologies.**

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**Priority Axis 1 –
“Improving the quality of
public social and health
services in the programme
area”**

**Priority Axis 3 –
“Contributing to the
development of tourism
and preserving cultural and
natural heritage”**

**Priority Axis 2 –
“Protecting the
environment and
biodiversity, improving risk
prevention and promoting
sustainable energy and
energy efficiency”**

**Priority Axis 4 –
“Enhancing
competitiveness and
developing business
environment in the
programme area”**



Result orientation

Performance framework

- **Focuses on the achievement of programme specific objectives, result and output indicators**
- **Sets out baselines, milestones and targets for performance of programme priorities**
- **Milestones established shall include financial indicators and output indicators**
- **Milestones established shall include as well result indicators**



Strategic Approach

Relevant for IPA CBC:

- **Alignment to EU 2020 (smart, sustainable and inclusive Growth);**
- **Macro Regional and/or Sea Basin Strategies;**
- **In Member States: Partnership Agreements and Operational Programmes [CPR+ETC Reg.] and Smart Specialisation Strategies;**
- **In IPA countries: national strategies through Country Strategic Papers**



Strategic Approach

IPA CBC HR-RS 2014-2020 programme and MRSs

Your Programme can be a driving force in the two MRSs where all the parties are members:

the [EU Strategy for the Danube Region \(EUSDR\)](#) started its implementation in June 2011;

the [EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region \(EUSAIR\)](#) adopted on 24 October 2014.

First Report on the implementation strategy of the MRSs to the Council by end 2016



Migrants and Refugees crisis

- **On 23 Sept. 2015 Commission has published its communication on "Managing Refugees crisis";**
- **On 21 Oct. 2015 Commissioner Cretu addressed a letter to the Ministers of EU funds of the MSs;**
- **Now the Commission stands ready to rapidly examine and adopt programmes modifications re migrant and refugees' crisis, if need be;**
- **Otherwise Commission services are ready to help the programmes to identify and set up tailor made activities through their chosen PA.**



Migrants and Refugees crisis

Example of eligible activities:

- **first accommodation (low carbon),**
- **education, social and health infrastructure (incl childcare and mobile hospitals),**
- **rescue vessels,**
- **sanitation (environmental risk management),**
- **regeneration of deprived urban areas,**
- **support of migrants start-ups.**



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