



Meeting of the Western Balkans Steering Platforms on Education and Training & Research and Innovation

New European Research Area (ERA) and ETC support

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“You can’t solve a problem on the same level that it was created. You have to rise above it to the next level.”

Albert Einstein

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A new generation of Interreg IPA programmes

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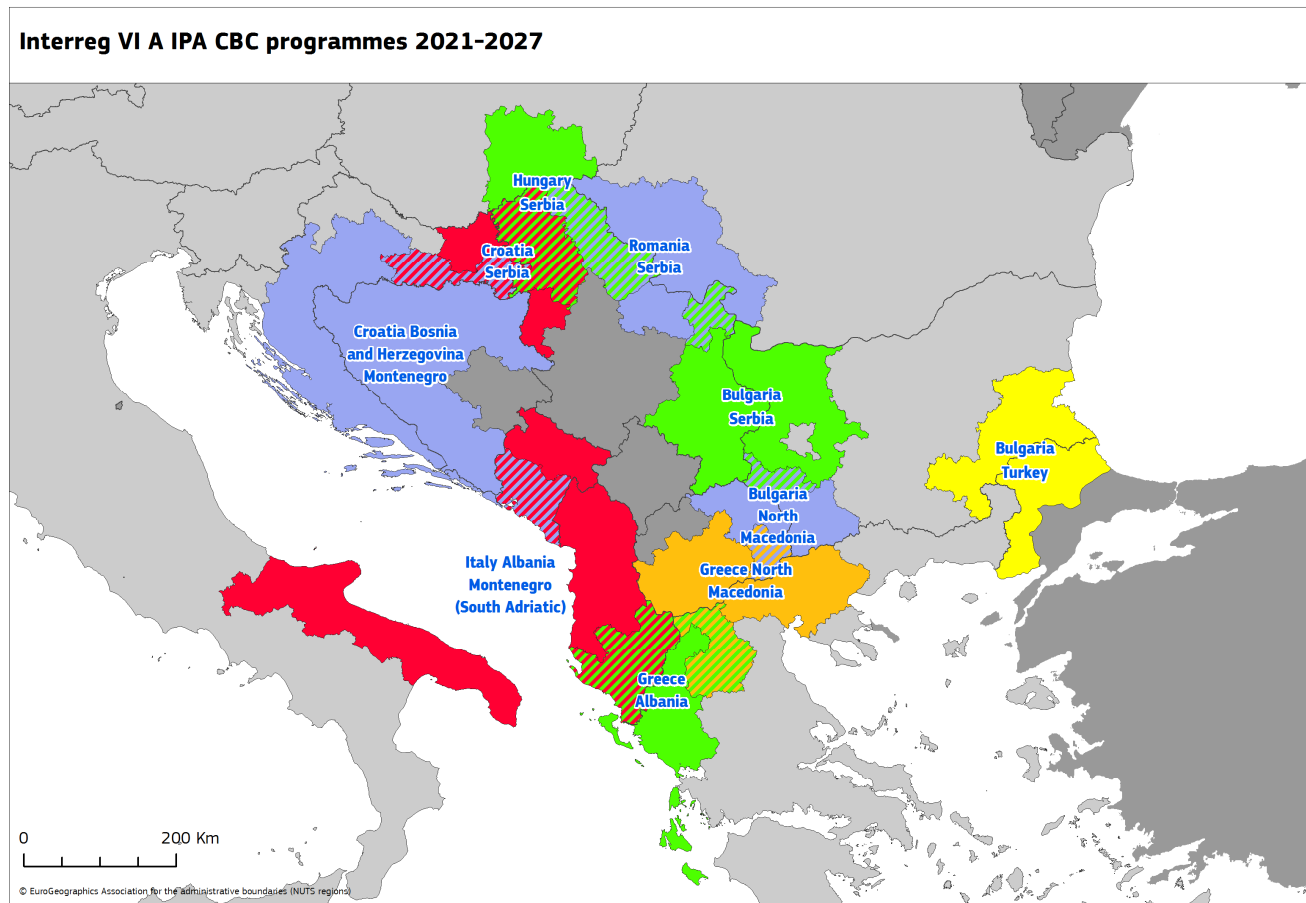
EUSAIR and Territorial Cooperation in the Western Balkans

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2021-2027 Interreg IPA cooperation

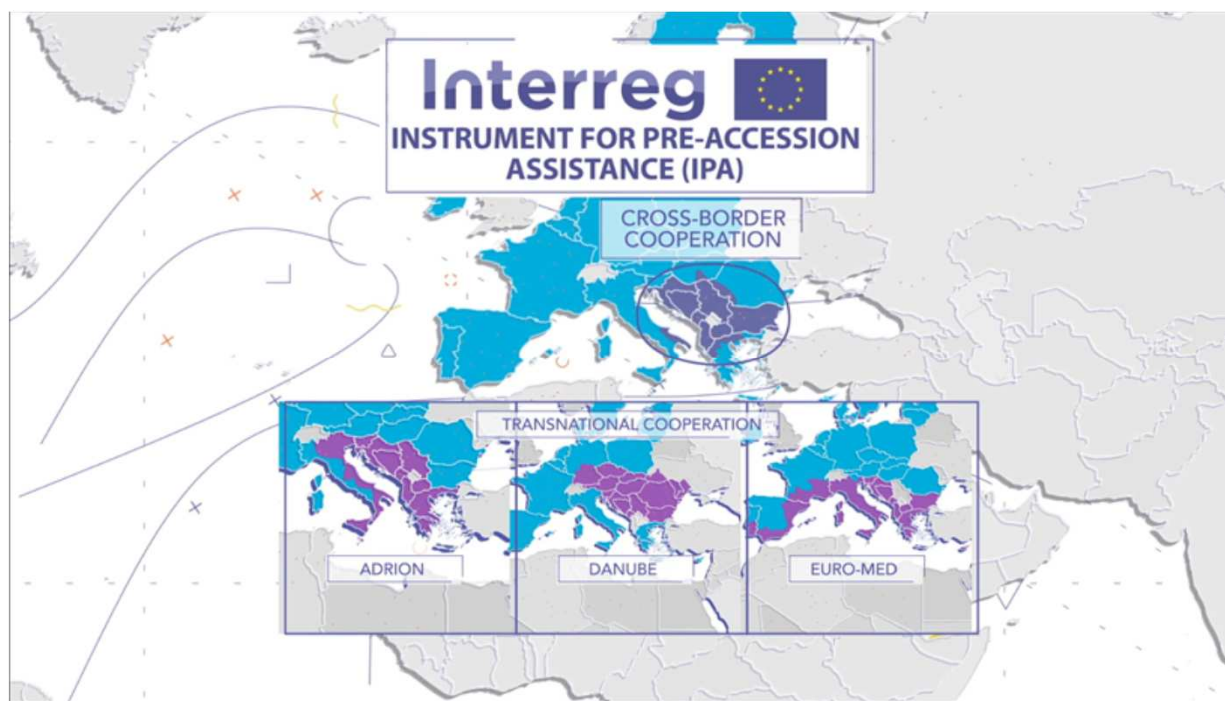
10 Interreg IPA CBC programmes (ETC strand A)

- Post 2020 Interreg IPA programmes -> **much more « IPA » oriented programmes**
- Post 2020 IPA allocation: **+13%** vs 2014-2020 allocation
- For all Interreg IPA CBC, IPA allocation > ERDF allocation



2021-2027 Interreg IPA cooperation

3 Interreg IPA TN & 1 Interreg IPA IR programmes
(ETC strands B & C)



+ URBACT IV
(enlarged to 5
IPA countries)

NB: EURO NEXT MED &
NEXT Black Sea -> also
partially financed
through IPA.

- IPA Adrion -> supports EUSAIR -> its post 2020 IPA allocation has been multiplied by **351%** vs 2014-2020
-> main purpose: higher degree of territorial integration

EUSAIR today



- 10 countries: 4 EU MSs (GR, HR, SI, IT - 13 regions) + 5 IPA countries (AL, BiH, ME, RS, MK) + San Marino
- 72 million inhabitants.
- GDP (PPS) is 10% of that of the EU27.

IPA Adrion & EUSAIR MRS facilitating the Enlargement process of the Western Balkans

- A regional dimension that reconnects the WB to the EU;
- A horizontal cooperation based on equal footing;
- A convergence of interests on the enlargement between EU member and IPA countries;
- A capacity building effect;
- An emphasis on the relevance of territorial cooperation and cohesion;
- An inclusive approach towards stakeholders with participatory processes (consultation, engagement and mobilisation).



2 Horizon Europe



Horizon Europe

Lessons Learned from Horizon 2020 Interim Evaluation

-  Support breakthrough innovation →
-  Create more impact through mission-orientation and citizens' involvement →
-  Strengthen international cooperation →
-  Reinforce openness →
-  Rationalise the funding landscape →
-  Encourage participation →

Key Novelties in Horizon Europe

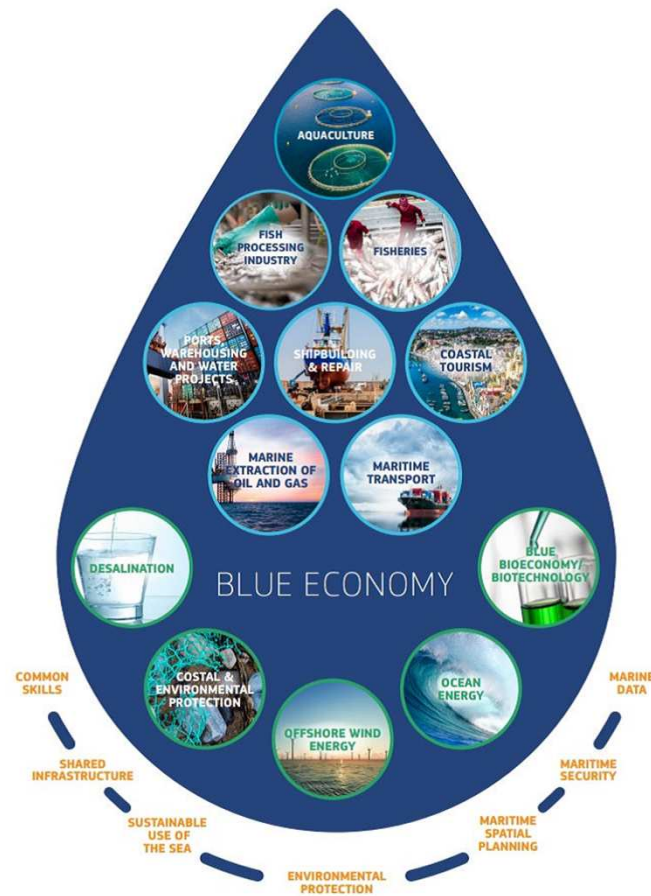


Rules for participation: continuity and simplification

Horizon Europe and Cohesion Policy

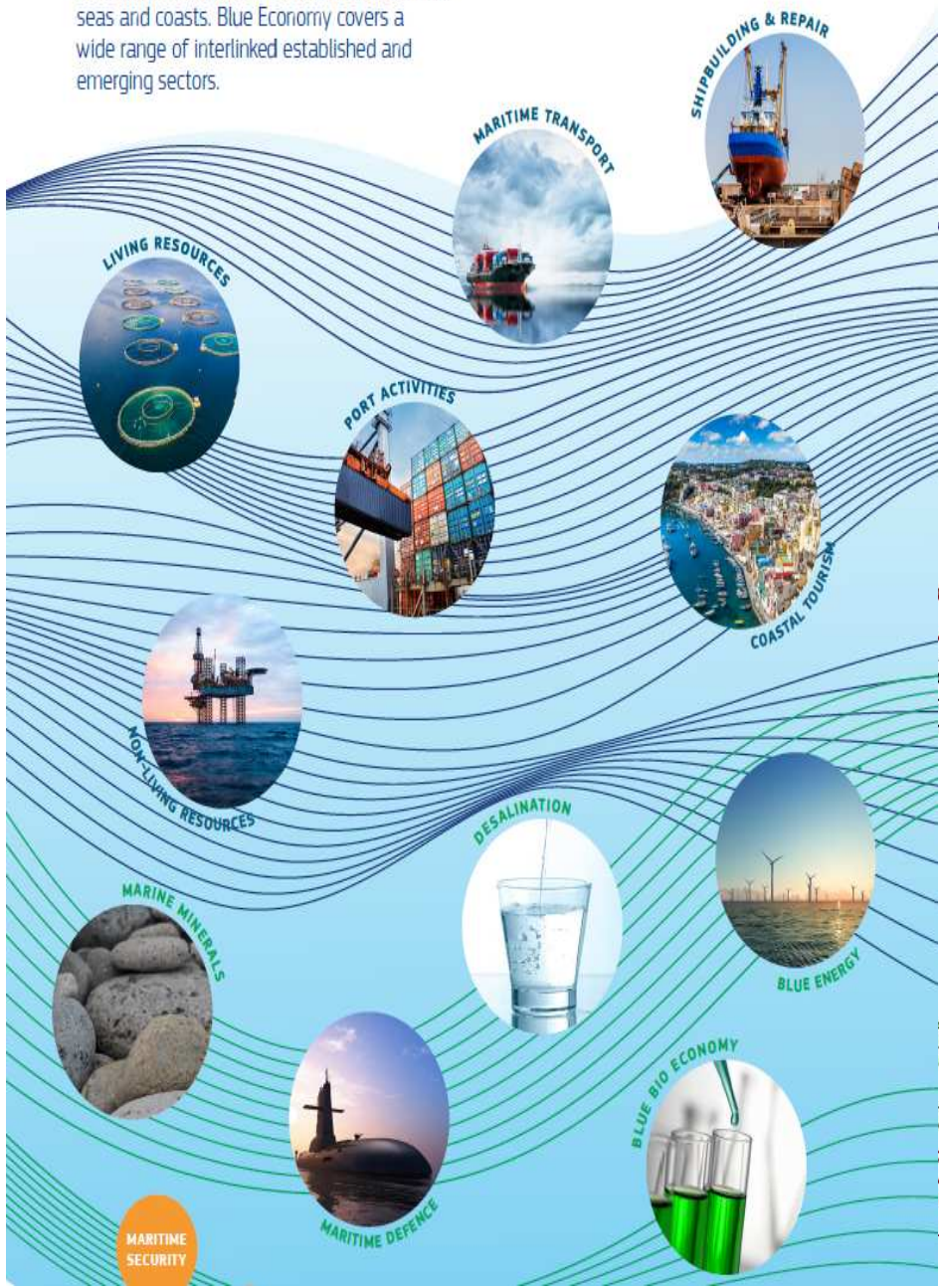


3 A Green Deal for the Blue Economy



BLUE ECONOMY

All economic activities relating to the oceans, seas and coasts. Blue Economy covers a wide range of interlinked established and emerging sectors.

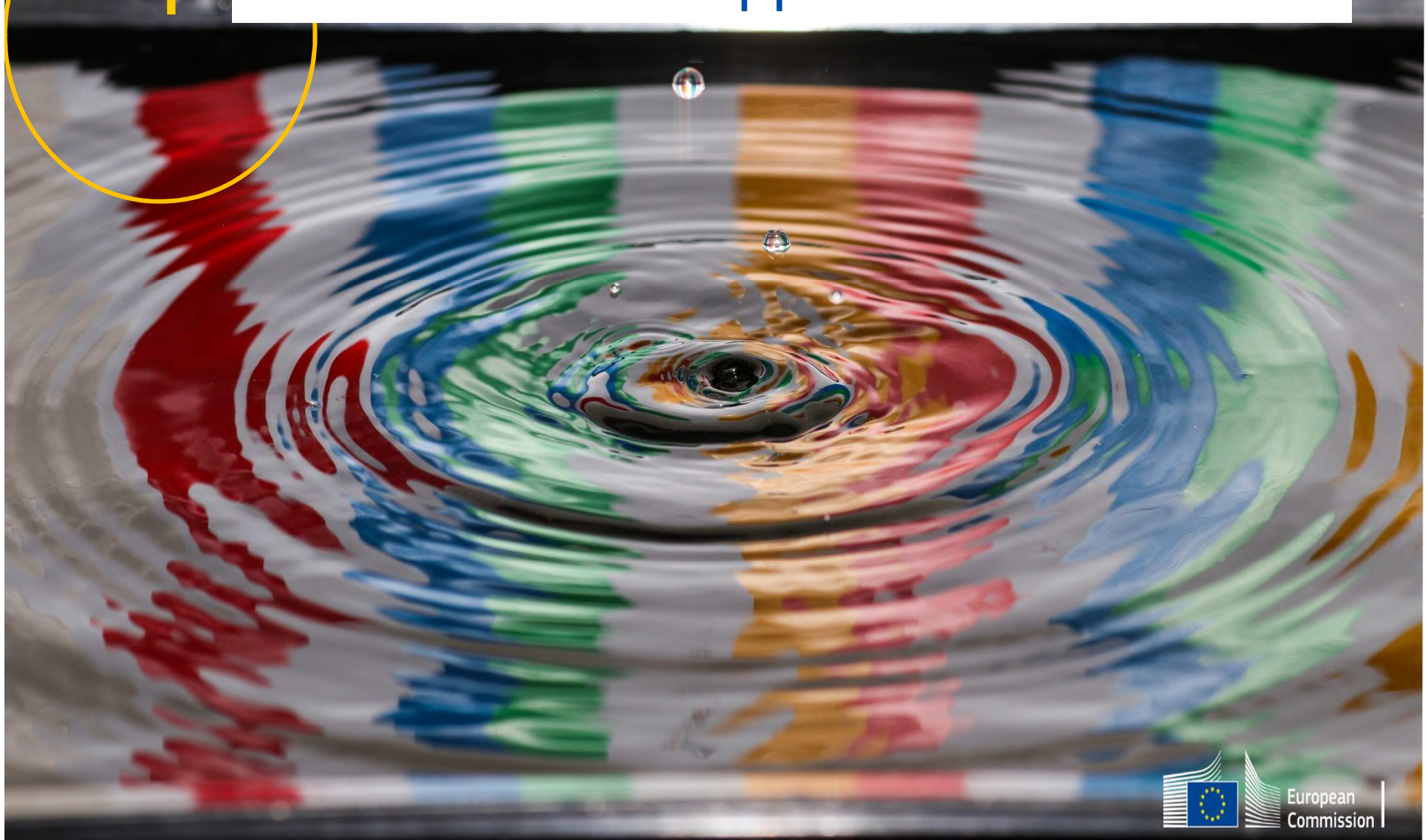


Sustainable Blue Economy



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ERA and ETC Support



ERA and ETC support – Adrion

First pilot action under the 5th call of the programme 2014-2020:

- The Call focused on the following topics:
 - Topic 1: Blue Economy
 - Topic 2: Social Innovation
 - Topic 3: Renewable Energy
 - Topic 4: Circular Economy
- Addressed beneficiaries:
 - Universities/faculties located in ERDF or IPA II Partner States;
 - Business institutions;
 - Research institutions with specific expertise in relation to the chosen topic.
 - Lead Partner must be a University/faculty located in an ERDF Partner State; it may be a public body or a body under public law.

ERA and ETC support – Adrion

Main outcomes so far:

- 4 +1 projects were selected at the end of 2022 and are considered as ‘strategic’,
 - Social Innovation: No 1297 – TESI (0,73 M€ ERDF + IPAI)
 - Blue Economy: No 1307 – MARBLE (1,2 M€ ERDF + IPAI)
 - Circular Economy: No 1313 – AMOCEAB (1M€ ERDF + IPAI)
 - Renewable Energy: No 1321 – ADRION TRAINEE (1,1M€ ERDF + IPAI)
 - + Circular Economy: No 1320 – CRESCENTO (1,2M€ ERDF + IPAI).



Thematic approach 2021-2027



- The 5 CPR policy objectives
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- 2 Interreg-specific objectives (ISO)
 - “Cooperation Governance”
 - “Safer Europe”

All specific objective selected by Interreg IPA programmes 2021-2027



	Total	Interreg TN ADRIION	IPA CBC Greece - Albania	IPA CBC South Adriatic	IPA CBC Croatia - Bosnia - Montenegro	IPA CBC Greece - the Rep. of North Macedonia	IPA CBC Bulgaria - the Rep. of North Macedonia	IPA CBC Bulgaria - Serbia	IPA CBC Croatia - Serbia	IPA CBC - Hungary - Serbia	IPA CBC Romania - Serbia	TN Danube Regional Programme
PO1	R&I	4	X		X				X			X
	SMSs	3			X			X				
	Skills for S3	2	X									X
PO2	Energy efficiency	3		X	X						X	
	Renewable energy	3						X		X	X	X
	Climate change, risk prevention	9	X	X	X			X	X	X	X	X
	Water	2		X	X							
	Circular economy	4	X	X		X	X					
	Nature protection, biodiversity	8	X	X	X		X	X			X	X
	Sustainable urban mobility	1	X									
PO3	Developing Intermodal TEN-T	1					X					
	Mobility, improved access to TEN-T and cross-border mobility	4	X	X	X		X					
PO4	Labour markets	1										X
	Education	4			X					X	X	X
	Health	5		X		X	X		X		X	
	Culture and sustainable tourism	8		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
PO5	Integrated development in areas other than urban	2					X	X				
ISO1	Institutional capacity of public authorities	3	X		X					X		
	Capacity to implement MRS/SBS	2	X									X
	Other actions	3					X				X	X
ISO2	Actions in border crossing and mobility and migration management	1								X		

PO1 selected by:

- [IPA Adrion](#)
- [South Adriatic](#)
- [HR-BiH-ME](#)
- [BG-RS](#)
- [HR-RS](#)
- [Danube](#)

PO2 selected by all Interreg IPA programmes



Untapped synergies on Innovation policies, programmes and projects with :

- Interreg IPA CBC programmes (strand A), e.g. South Adriatic
- Interreg IPA TN programmes (strand B), e.g. IPA Adrion, Euro MED, NEXT MED.
- Interreg IPA IR programmes (strand C), e.g. URBACT (for MS & 5 IPA beneficiaries), Interreg Europe (for MS only)

A woman with long brown hair, wearing a black sleeveless top, black pants, and black boots, is captured in a dynamic pose against a bright yellow wooden plank wall. She is holding a purple umbrella with her right arm, and her left arm is extended outwards. Her legs are spread apart, with one foot planted on the ground and the other lifted. The overall mood is energetic and optimistic.

Let's work together!

Any Questions?

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Thank you

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