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Key information on the implementation of the cooperation programme for the year concerned, including on financial instruments, with relation to the financial and indicator data.

The Programme has made important steps for achieving 2018 targets. General progress has been registered for assessment, contracting and implementation of the projects.

Indicators in the performance framework are reached (both technical and financial) and 14 million euro were certified at the programme level.

At the end of 2017, on 27.11.2017, the 3rd call for project proposals has been launched, the deadline for submission being set at 30.03.2018. On 23.03.2018, following the requests received from several potential beneficiaries, who were seeking to create quality projects, the JMC decided to extend the deadline for submission until 24.04.2018.

Considering the estimated contributions to the output indicators of the projects financed following the first 2 calls for proposals, the Programme authorities, including JMC, decided to target the output indicators that were not estimated to be attained.

Following the launching of the 3rd call for proposals, during 2018, on both sides of the eligible area, there were 10 information and publicity events organized for the potential applicants covering the Application Form, eligibility of costs, the use of the Electronic Monitoring System and Partner Search Forums, events attended by almost 900 representatives of the potential applicants.

Before the deadline for submission of the 3rd call for proposals 176 project proposals have been submitted asking for over 100 million EUR. There were 77 projects submitted under PA1, 60 projects submitted under PA2, 11 projects submitted under PA3 and 28 projects under PA4.

After the project evaluation ended 76 projects fulfilled the administrative, eligibility and technical and financial criteria – 28 under PA1, 34 under PA2, 7 under PA3 and 7 under PA4.

During 2018 there were 11 projects finalized – 6 projects under PA1, 1 project under PA2 and 4 projects under PA4 with a total contracted value of 3.475.940 EUR. Out of the 11 projects finalized, 4 projects have not submitted the final progress report which are due at the end of May 2019.

Some examples of contributions of projects finalized during 2018 are presented below:

Project RORS-10: “A new chance for social inclusion of inmates”. The project contributed to the target values of PA1 OI4 with 48 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 40 – achieved 48) and PA1 OI6 with 3 units.

Project RORS-5: “Labor Mobility Network in the Cross-border Area” The project contributed to the target values PA1.OI2 with 6 units, PA1 OI4 with 180 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 60 – achieved 180) and PA1 COI_2 with 652 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 326 – achieved 652).

Project RORS-18: “Joint project for conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources from border areas as consequences of climate change”, under PA2, contributed to the target values of PA2.OI1 with 1 unit, PA2.OI2 with 190 units and PA2.OI3 with 1 unit.

Project RORS-24: “Challenge and opportunity for tourism development in our common county”, under PA4, contributed to the target values of PA4.OI1 with 3 units, PA4.OI3 with 212 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 112 – achieved 212) and PA4.OI5 with 5 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 3 – achieved 5).

Project RORS-25: “Tour de Banat”, under PA4, contributed to the target values of PA4.OI1 with 8 units, PA4.OI2 with 2 units, PA4.OI3 with 87 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 80 – achieved 87), PA4.OI4 with 4 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to

this indicator has been exceeded – target 3 – achieved 4) and PA4.OI5 with 3 units (the provisioned contribution of the project to this indicator has been exceeded – target 2 – achieved 3).

In order to ensure a proper implementation of the Programme, during 2018, the JMC met on 01.02.2018 in Kladovo, Republic of Serbia and approved the taking over by the National Authority of the coordination of the JS Antenna for Interreg IPA CBC Romania Serbia Programme.

During 2018 22 decisions of the JMC have been approved via written procedures.

Technical Assistance PA implementation

Following the modification of the Multi-Annual Technical Assistance Strategy, the Global Financing Decision of the MA and the financing contracts with ROCBC Timișoara (concluded in 2015), National Authority (concluded in 2016) and Audit Authority (concluded in 2017) were modified through addenda. The main modifications were:

- Audit Authority transferred from their budget 36.900 euro to NA's budget – to be used for the Serbian Audit Authority. Also, the AA Application form and budget has been revised according to new budgetary needs and reporting periods.
- MA's Global Financing Decision has been prolonged until 31.12.2019 and the budget revised according to the new implementation period;
- ROCBC Timisoara had budgetary savings to be used for the future TA contracts.

In 2018, 12 projects reports were submitted to the Managing Authority, via eMS, with a total of €1,160,155.62 euro.

E-Cohesion progress and the Programme electronic management system

All the data for the three calls for proposals that have been launched so far is in the eMS. The third call for proposals has been launched electronically, submission and evaluation process have been performed in the eMS. All processes, from partner and project reporting to Programme declarations of expenditure, are done in the eMS. The system has been updated constantly with updates provided by Interact.

3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRIORITY AXIS

3.1 Overview of the implementation

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
1	Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth	<p>During 2018 there were no new subsidy contracts concluded. The evaluation process started after the deadline for submission on 22.04.2018. There were 77 projects submitted requesting 34,046,927 EUR IPA funds. Following the administrative and eligibility evaluation 43 projects were declared accepted while 34 projects have been rejected. The technical and financial and state aid incidence assessment left 28 projects accepted while 15 projects have been rejected. From the list of 28 projects with the score above 70 points the JMC approves for financing 15 projects (7,175,320 EUR IPA funds) and 13 projects on the reserve list. The last 4 projects received the same number of points but not all of them will be financed because of allocation limit.</p> <p>During 2018, 4 projects have been finalized and the final reports have been submitted. Some results of these projects are presented below:</p> <p><i>Project RORS-10:</i> “A new chance for social inclusion of inmates” managed to train 40 inmates in the area of drying vegetables, fruits, medicinal plants in view of increasing their chances of becoming independent employees and providing equal employment chances to former inmates.</p> <p><i>Project RORS-23:</i> “Cross-border football for social inclusion” managed to establish of joint cross border action in the field of football in order to promote sport and healthy living and to provide the necessary goods and sport equipment to facilitate social inclusion.</p> <p><i>Project RORS-5:</i> “Labor Mobility Network in the Cross-border Area” managed to develop and implement language learning for unemployed persons, half of them coming from endangered groups for which is harder to find employment, promote joint initiatives and create info-points in the main centres (Timisoara, Kikinda) which will provide information about job opportunities.</p> <p>Total eligible cost of operations selected and committed for PA1 (including the strategic project) is 19,108,057.97 Euro.</p>
2	Environmental protection and risk management	<p>During 2018 there were no new subsidy contracts concluded. The evaluation process started after the deadline for submission on 22.04.2018. There were 60 projects submitted requesting 43,158,179 EUR IPA funds. Following the administrative and eligibility evaluation 37 projects were declared accepted while 23 projects have been rejected. The technical and financial and state aid incidence assessment left 34 projects accepted while 3 projects have been rejected. From the list of 34 projects with the score above 70 points the JMC approves for financing 14 projects (9.603.865 EUR IPA funds) and 20 projects on the reserve list.</p> <p>During 2018, 1 project has been finalized and the final report has been submitted:</p>

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
		<p><i>Project RORS-18</i>: “Joint project for conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources from border areas as consequences of climate change” managed to carry out one assessment study and characterization of local fruit trees and grapevine germplasm from cross-border area, in the context of climate change, create a common educational and research network, concerning the protection of local germplasm by creating one local germplasm Bank and transfer technology to valorise local fruit trees and grapevine germplasm from cross-border area.</p> <p>The project contributed to the target values of PA2.OI1 with 1 unit, PA2.OI2 with 190 units and PA2.OI3 with 1 unit.</p> <p>Total eligible cost of operations selected and committed for PA2 is 6,916,756.16 Euro.</p>
3	Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility	<p>During 2018 there were no new subsidy contracts concluded. The evaluation process started after the deadline for submission on 22.04.2018. There were 11 projects submitted requesting 9,020,236 EUR IPA funds. Following the administrative and eligibility evaluation 7 projects were declared accepted while 4 projects were rejected. The technical and financial and state aid incidence assessment left 7 projects accepted. The JMC approves for financing 2 projects (1,815,651 EUR IPA funds) and 2 projects on reserve list.</p> <p>No projects have been finalized during 2018.</p> <p>Total eligible cost of operations selected and committed for PA3 (including the strategic project) is 21,529,936.82 Euro.</p>
4	Attractiveness for sustainable tourism	<p>During 2018 there were no new subsidy contracts concluded. The evaluation process started after the deadline for submission on 22.04.2018. There were 28 projects submitted requesting 13,794,265 EUR IPA funds. Following the administrative and eligibility evaluation 13 projects were declared accepted while 15 projects have been rejected. The technical and financial and state aid incidence assessment left 7 projects accepted while 6 projects have been rejected. The JMC approves for financing 3 projects (1,631,098 EUR IPA funds) and 4 projects on the reserve list.</p> <p>During 2018, 2 projects have been finalized and the final reports have been submitted:</p> <p><i>Project RORS-24</i>: “Challenge and opportunity for tourism development in our common county” managed to support for the development of cross-border tourist offers, support of the creation of common brand and the improvement of quality standards of the services offered and provide trainings for the improvement of tourism services.</p> <p><i>Project RORS-25</i>: “Tour de Banat” managed to improve the attractiveness of the border area through development of cross-border institutional infrastructure and strengthening the sustainable capacity to provide quality tourism services and create a cross border partnership network and innovative package of tools and services in order to support development and promotion of cyclo-tourism.</p> <p>Total eligible cost of operations selected and committed for PA4 is 7,737,769.93 Euro.</p>

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
5	Technical Assistance	<p>The TA funds were used for ensuring the necessary support related to the programme implementation (project evaluation and selection, monitoring activities, project implementation, FLC verifications, staff costs, applicants and beneficiaries support, audit, communication and information activities, running of the website, etc.) and for closure activities of the 2007-2013 Romania-Serbia CBC Programme (ex post monitoring visits, monitoring reports etc.).</p> <p>Following the modification of the Multi-Annual Technical Assistance Strategy, the Global Financing Decision of the MA and the financing contracts with ROCBC Timișoara (concluded in 2015), National Authority (concluded in 2016) and Audit Authority (concluded in 2017) were modified through addenda. The main modifications were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Audit Authority transferred from their budget 36.900 euro to NA's budget – to be used for the Serbian Audit Authority. Also, the AA Application form and budget has been revised according to new budgetary needs and reporting periods. - MA's Global Financing Decision has been prolonged until 31.12.2019 and the budget revised according to the new implementation period; - ROCBC Timisoara had budgetary savings to be used for the future TA contracts. <p>In 2018, 12 projects reports were submitted to the Managing Authority, via eMS, with a total of €1,160,155.62 euro.</p> <p>Also, on the 16 October 2018, the managing bodies of the Programme had a technical meeting to discuss the future TA contracts, available amounts and post 2020 TA approach, as set up in the draft regulation presented by the EC for post 2020 programming period.</p> <p>Following the modifications of the TA budgets approved by JMC decisions and addenda, total eligible cost of operations selected and committed for PA5 is 4,537,274.52 Euro.</p>

3.2 Common and programme specific indicators (Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Priority axes other than technical assistance

Priority axis	1 - Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth
Thematic Priority	a - Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across borders through, inter alia: integrating cross-border labour markets, including cross-border mobility; joint local employment initiatives; information and advisory services and joint training; gender equality; equal opportunities; integration of immigrants' communities and vulnerable groups; investment in public employment services; and supporting investment in public health and social services.

Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - 1.a

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2018	Observations
F	CO36	Health: Population covered by improved health services	Persons	19,925.00	19,212.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	CO36	Health: Population covered by improved health services	Persons	19,925.00	19,925.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	CO45	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders	Persons	25,515.00	20,949.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	CO45	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders	Persons	25,515.00	25,515.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	Units	34,159.00	14,929.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	Units	34,159.00	34,159.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	OII-2	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of labour market.	Units	20.00	11.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-2	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of labour market.	Units	20.00	6.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OII-3	Investment in health care and social services infrastructure.	Units	5.00	1	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-3	Investment in health care and social services infrastructure.	Units	5.00	3	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OII-4	Disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities.	Units	5,545.00	4,207.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-4	Disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities.	Units	5,545.00	5,545.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	OII-5	Joint actions targeting vulnerable groups (youth, women, disabled, ethnic minorities) established for the prevention of early school leaving, for cultural inclusion	Units	893.00	588	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-5	Joint actions targeting vulnerable groups (youth, women, disabled, ethnic minorities) established for the prevention of early school leaving, for cultural inclusion	Units	893.00	893	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	OII-6	Joint actions targeting smart (green) growth opportunities	Units	10.00	4	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OII-6	Joint actions targeting smart (green) growth opportunities	Units	10.00	5	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	CO36	Health: Population covered by improved health services	5,401.00			
S	CO36	Health: Population covered by improved health services	19,925.00			
F	CO45	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders	5,912.00			
S	CO45	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders	25,515.00			
F	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	5,427.00			
S	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	34,159.00			
F	OII-2	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of labour market.	1.00			
S	OII-2	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of labour market.	6.00			
F	OII-3	Investment in health care and social services infrastructure.	1.00			
S	OII-3	Investment in health care and social services infrastructure.	3.00			
F	OII-4	Disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities.	981.00			
S	OII-4	Disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities.	5,545.00			
F	OII-5	Joint actions targeting vulnerable groups (youth, women, disabled, ethnic minorities) established for the prevention of early school leaving, for cultural inclusion	9.00			
S	OII-5	Joint actions targeting vulnerable groups (youth, women, disabled, ethnic minorities) established for the prevention of early school leaving, for cultural inclusion	893.00			
F	OII-6	Joint actions targeting smart (green) growth opportunities	0.00			
S	OII-6	Joint actions targeting smart (green) growth opportunities	5.00			

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	1 - Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth
Thematic Priority	a - Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across borders through, inter alia: integrating cross-border labour markets, including cross-border mobility; joint local employment initiatives; information and advisory services and joint training; gender equality; equal opportunities; integration of immigrants' communities and vulnerable groups; investment in public employment services; and supporting investment in public health and social services.
Specific objective	1-1 - Employment and labour mobility

Table 1: Result indicators - 1.a.1-1

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RII-1	Active population more satisfied of the access to labour market. (Innovative services assisting job seekers permanently established, information on job opportunities available in marginal areas, disadvantaged groups receiving assistance and information a	Ranking on qualitative scale (1-7)	3.4	2015	4.25			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020).

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RII-1	Active population more satisfied of the access to labour market. (Innovative services assisting job seekers permanently established, information on job opportunities available in marginal areas, disadvantaged groups receiving assistance and information a								

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Priority axis	1 - Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth
Thematic Priority	a - Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across borders through, inter alia: integrating cross-border labour markets, including cross-border mobility; joint local employment initiatives; information and advisory services and joint training; gender equality; equal opportunities; integration of immigrants' communities and vulnerable groups; investment in public employment services; and supporting investment in public health and social services.
Specific objective	1-2 - Health and social infrastructure

Table 1: Result indicators - 1.a.1-2

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RII-2	Population experiencing access to improved basic services in health care and education. Innovative, high quality services permanently created and available in marginal areas, preventive care, cultural activities and services, sport activities.	Ranking on qualitative scale (1-7)	3.28	2015	4.92			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RII-2	Population experiencing access to improved basic services in health care and education. Innovative, high quality services permanently created and available in marginal areas, preventive care, cultural activities and services, sport activities.								

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Priority axis	1 - Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth
Thematic Priority	a - Promoting employment, labour mobility and social and cultural inclusion across borders through, inter alia: integrating cross-border labour markets, including cross-border mobility; joint local employment initiatives; information and advisory services and joint training; gender equality; equal opportunities; integration of immigrants' communities and vulnerable groups; investment in public employment services; and supporting investment in public health and social services.
Specific objective	1-3 - Social and cultural inclusion

Table 1: Result indicators - 1.a.1-3

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RII-3	Population experiencing lively cultural life in a cross border setting. Population, especially in marginal areas, accessing various opportunities for cultural and social activities, permanently offered in joint initiatives across the border.	Ranking on qualitative scale (1-7)	4.25	2015	5.56			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RII-3	Population experiencing lively cultural life in a cross border setting. Population, especially in marginal areas, accessing various opportunities for cultural and social activities, permanently offered in joint initiatives across the border.								

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Priority axis	2 - Environmental protection and risk management
Thematic Priority	b - Protecting the environment and promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation, risk prevention and management through, inter alia: joint actions for environmental protection; promoting sustainable use of natural resources, resource efficiency, renewable energy sources and the shift towards a safe and sustainable low-carbon economy; promoting investment to address specific risks, ensuring disaster resilience and developing disaster management systems and emergency preparedness.

Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - 2.b

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2018	Observations
F	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	Persons	50,000.00	21,200.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	Persons	50,000.00	43,847.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OI2-1	Infrastructure, equipment built/ installed/ modernized in the field of cross border services for environmental protection	Units	11.00	1.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI2-1	Infrastructure, equipment built/ installed/ modernized in the field of cross border services for environmental protection	Units	11.00	11.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following the last call for proposals.
F	OI2-2	Participants to project initiatives and events for information and awareness rising	Units	5,000.00	382.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI2-2	Participants to project initiatives and events for information and awareness rising	Units	5,000.00	856.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OI2-3	Studies in the field of environmental protection and emergency management. (technical and scientific studies, researches in the relevant fields)	Units	5.00	2.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI2-3	Studies in the field of environmental protection and emergency management. (technical and scientific studies, researches in the relevant fields)	Units	5.00	3.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OI2-4	Participants to capacity building initiatives	units	659.00	38.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI2-4	Participants to capacity building initiatives	units	659.00	659.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals.
F	OI2-5	Monitoring systems established/ extended/ modernized in the eligible area in the field of environmental protection and emergency management.	Units	3.00	1.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI2-5	Monitoring systems established/ extended/ modernized in the eligible area in the field of environmental protection and emergency management.	Units	3.00	2.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	0.00			
S	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	43,847.00			
F	OI2-1	Infrastructure, equipment built/ installed/ modernized in the field of cross border services for environmental protection	0.00			
S	OI2-1	Infrastructure, equipment built/ installed/ modernized in the field of cross border services for environmental protection	11.00			
F	OI2-2	Participants to project initiatives and events for information and awareness rising	98.00			
S	OI2-2	Participants to project initiatives and events for information and awareness rising	856.00			
F	OI2-3	Studies in the field of environmental protection and emergency management. (technical and scientific studies, researches in the relevant fields)	0.00			
S	OI2-3	Studies in the field of environmental protection and emergency management. (technical and scientific studies, researches in the relevant fields)	3.00			
F	OI2-4	Participants to capacity building initiatives	33.00			
S	OI2-4	Participants to capacity building initiatives	659.00			
F	OI2-5	Monitoring systems established/ extended/ modernized in the eligible area in the field of environmental protection and emergency management.	0.00			
S	OI2-5	Monitoring systems established/ extended/ modernized in the eligible area in the field of environmental protection and emergency management.	2.00			

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	2 - Environmental protection and risk management
Thematic Priority	b - Protecting the environment and promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation, risk prevention and management through, inter alia: joint actions for environmental protection; promoting sustainable use of natural resources, resource efficiency, renewable energy sources and the shift towards a safe and sustainable low-carbon economy; promoting investment to address specific risks, ensuring disaster resilience and developing disaster management systems and emergency preparedness.
Specific objective	2-1 - Environmental protection and sustainable use of natural resources

Table 1: Result indicators - 2.b.2-1

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI2-1	Awareness on the potential of environmental resources and the benefits of protection. Resident population informed on quality and quantity of environmental resources in the eligible area, and on the benefits of protection actions.	Qualitative indicator on Ordinal scale value (1 -7)	4.09	2015	5.31			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)
RI2-2	Capacity for emergency interventions and management in case of natural disasters and environmental accidents	Qualitative indicator Ordinal scale value (1-7)	3.65	2015	4.74			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI2-1	Awareness on the potential of environmental resources and the benefits of protection. Resident population informed on quality and quantity of environmental resources in the eligible area, and on the benefits of protection actions.								
RI2-2	Capacity for emergency interventions and management in case of natural disasters and environmental accidents								

Priority axis	2 - Environmental protection and risk management
Thematic Priority	b - Protecting the environment and promoting climate change adaptation and mitigation, risk prevention and management through, inter alia: joint actions for environmental protection; promoting sustainable use of natural resources, resource efficiency, renewable energy sources and the shift towards a safe and sustainable low-carbon economy; promoting investment to address specific risks, ensuring disaster resilience and developing disaster management systems and emergency preparedness.
Specific objective	2-2 - Environmental risks management and emergency preparedness

Table 1: Result indicators - 2.b.2-2

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI2-3	Potential for cross-border interoperability for environmental protection and emergency interventions, based on shared procedures and technologies	Qualitative indicator Ordinal scale value (1-7)	3.88	2015	5.43			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI2-3	Potential for cross-border interoperability for environmental protection and emergency interventions, based on shared procedures and technologies								

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Priority axis	3 - Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility
Thematic Priority	c - Promoting sustainable transport and improving public infrastructures by, inter alia, reducing isolation through improved access to transport, information and communication networks and services and investing in cross-border water, waste and energy systems and facilities.

Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - 3.c

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2018	Observations
F	OI3-1	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of transport and public utilities	Units	6.00	3.00	The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing their activities.
S	OI3-1	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of transport and public utilities	Units	6.00	6.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals.
F	OI3-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or the realisation of actions in the field of transport and mobility infrastructure	Units	8.00	2.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI3-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or the realisation of actions in the field of transport and mobility infrastructure	Units	8.00	8.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In this regard, projects submitted following the second call for proposals that will positively influence this indicator have been awarded less points during the technical and financial evaluation. The value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals.
F	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	Units	5.00	0.00	The subsidy contracts for the projects contributing to this indicator have been signed during 2017. The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing their activities. The first contributions to this indicator are expected to be delivered during December 2018, according to the application forms of the relevant projects and reported at latest in May 2019.
S	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	Units	5.00	4.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OI3-4	Participants to information/ training/ awareness raising initiatives in the field of transport and public utilities.	Units	500.00	174.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	OI3-4	Participants to information/ training/ awareness raising initiatives in the field of transport and public utilities.	Units	500.00	450.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.
F	OI3-5	Joint initiatives on improvements of public transport and intermodal connections	Units	2.00	0.00	The subsidy contracts for the projects contributing to this indicator have been signed during 2017. The value is has not increased during 2019, as none of the projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals has estimated contributions to this indicator. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017.
S	OI3-5	Joint initiatives on improvements of public transport and intermodal connections	Units	2.00	0.00	The indicator is estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme. In order to ensure achievement of this indicator, the second call for proposals targeted projects that will positively influence this indicator. Projects contributing to the achievement of this indicator have been better scored during the technical and financial evaluation of the projects submitted following the call for proposals launched on 27.11.2017. However, the value included does not consider the targets set in the applications to be contracted following this call for proposals as they have been approved by the JMC on 31.01.2019.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	OI3-1	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of transport and public utilities	1.00			
S	OI3-1	Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of transport and public utilities	6.00			
F	OI3-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or the realisation of actions in the field of transport and mobility infrastructure	0.00			
S	OI3-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or the realisation of actions in the field of transport and mobility infrastructure	8.00			
F	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	0.00			
S	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	4.00			
F	OI3-4	Participants to information/ training/ awareness raising initiatives in the field of transport and public utilities.	0.00			
S	OI3-4	Participants to information/ training/ awareness raising initiatives in the field of transport and public utilities.	450.00			
F	OI3-5	Joint initiatives on improvements of public transport and intermodal connections	0.00			
S	OI3-5	Joint initiatives on improvements of public transport and intermodal connections	0.00			

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	3 - Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility
Thematic Priority	c - Promoting sustainable transport and improving public infrastructures by, inter alia, reducing isolation through improved access to transport, information and communication networks and services and investing in cross-border water, waste and energy systems and facilities.
Specific objective	3-1 - Mobility and transport infrastructure and services

Table 1: Result indicators - 3.c.3-1

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI3-1	Population accessing to sustainable and efficient public mobility and transport services. Population having access to improved local transport infrastructures, faster connections to main corridors, efficient border crossing services, transport services	Qualitative indicator described on an ordinal scale (1-7)	3.98	2015	5.17			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)
RI3-2	Vehicles crossing the border. Traffic across the border for social, commercial and touristic activities and exchanges.	Total number of vehicles per day	950	2015	1187			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI3-1	Population accessing to sustainable and efficient public mobility and transport services. Population having access to improved local transport infrastructures, faster connections to main corridors, efficient border crossing services, transport services								
RI3-2	Vehicles crossing the border. Traffic across the border for social, commercial and touristic activities and exchanges.								

Priority axis	3 - Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility
Thematic Priority	c - Promoting sustainable transport and improving public infrastructures by, inter alia, reducing isolation through improved access to transport, information and communication networks and services and investing in cross-border water, waste and energy systems and facilities.
Specific objective	3-2 - Public utilities infrastructure

Table 1: Result indicators - 3.c.3-2

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI3-3	Population accessing sustainable and efficient public utilities networks (energy, water, ICT). Access to improved utility services based on innovative technologies, access to efficient and sustainable energy sources, especially in marginal and remote te	Percentage of households with access to the utility networks	57%	2015	82.6%			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI3-3	Population accessing sustainable and efficient public utilities networks (energy, water, ICT). Access to improved utility services based on innovative technologies, access to efficient and sustainable energy sources, especially in marginal and remote te								

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Priority axis	4 - Attractiveness for sustainable tourism
Thematic Priority	d - Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage.

Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - 4.d

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2018	Observations
F	O14-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	Units	62.00	35.00	The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing and finalizing their activities.
S	O14-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	Units	62.00	62.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme.
F	O14-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or research and studies in the field of natural and cultural resources	Units	15.00	10.00	The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing and finalizing their activities.
S	O14-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or research and studies in the field of natural and cultural resources	Units	15.00	15.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme.
F	O14-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	Units	1,303.00	1,005.00	The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing and finalizing their activities.
S	O14-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	Units	1,303.00	1,303.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme
F	O14-4	Joint actions and communication instruments created	Units	45.00	23.00	The value is expected to increase during 2019, as projects financed from the first 2 calls for proposals are implementing and finalizing their activities..
S	O14-4	Joint actions and communication instruments created	Units	45.00	45.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme.
F	O14-5	Partnerships for the exchange of good practices and the promotion of joint initiatives established	Units	20.00	9.00	The contribution to this indicator estimated by the projects should be achieved in full after the last project implementation period has ended, however, partial contributions can be observed and demonstrated during all stages of the project implementation.
S	O14-5	Partnerships for the exchange of good practices and the promotion of joint initiatives established	Units	20.00	20.00	The indicator is estimated to be exceeded following the implementation of the projects financed after the first 2 call for proposals of the Programme.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	O14-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	1.00			
S	O14-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	62.00			
F	O14-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or research and studies in the field of natural and cultural resources	1.00			
S	O14-2	Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or research and studies in the field of natural and cultural resources	15.00			
F	O14-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	245.00			
S	O14-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	1,303.00			
F	O14-4	Joint actions and communication instruments created	1.00			
S	O14-4	Joint actions and communication instruments created	45.00			
F	O14-5	Partnerships for the exchange of good practices and the promotion of joint initiatives established	5.00			
S	O14-5	Partnerships for the exchange of good practices and the promotion of joint initiatives established	20.00			

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	4 - Attractiveness for sustainable tourism
Thematic Priority	d - Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage.
Specific objective	4-1 - Investments for the growth of the demand of local tourism networks and promotion of innovative tourism activities

Table 1: Result indicators - 4.d.4-1

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI4-1	Number of tourists arrivals in the eligible area. Flows of visitors in the area for all forms of tourism activities and cross border networks.	Units	600,000.00	2015	810,000.00			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)
RI4-2	Nights spent by tourists in the eligible area. Time spent by tourists in the cross border area, for all types of touristic activities	Units	1,600,000.00	2015	1,920,000.00			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI4-1	Number of tourists arrivals in the eligible area. Flows of visitors in the area for all forms of tourism activities and cross border networks.	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	
RI4-2	Nights spent by tourists in the eligible area. Time spent by tourists in the cross border area, for all types of touristic activities	0.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	

Not validated

Priority axis	4 - Attractiveness for sustainable tourism
Thematic Priority	d - Encouraging tourism and cultural and natural heritage.
Specific objective	4-2 - Capacity building initiatives for the improvement of quality and innovation of tourism services and products

Table 1: Result indicators - 4.d.4-2

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
RI4-3	New "touristic products" created as a result of programme actions in the field of promotion and information on integrated touristic networks in the CBC area.	Units	17.00	2015	24.00			The progress will be reported after the first Programme impact evaluation will be performed (March - September 2020)

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
RI4-3	New "touristic products" created as a result of programme actions in the field of promotion and information on integrated touristic networks in the CBC area.								

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Priority axes for technical assistance

Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
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Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - 5.Technical Assistance

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2018	Observations
F	OI5-1	Number of meetings of programme bodies	Units		8	During 2018 there were 2 meetings
S	OI5-1	Number of meetings of programme bodies	Units			Not applicable
F	OI5-2	Number of projects calls implemented	Units		3	
S	OI5-2	Number of projects calls implemented	Units			Not applicable
F	OI5-3	Number of interim programme evaluations implemented	Units		0	During 2018 no programme evaluation was carried out
S	OI5-3	Number of interim programme evaluations implemented	Units			Not applicable
F	OI5-4	Number of events for information and promotion	Units		46	During 2018 there were 10 events for information and publicity
S	OI5-4	Number of events for information and promotion	Units			Not applicable
F	OI5-5	Number of employees (full time equivalent) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Units		24	
S	OI5-5	Number of employees (full time equivalent) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Units			Not applicable

(1)	ID	Indicator	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	OI5-1	Number of meetings of programme bodies	6.00	5.00	0.00	0.00
S	OI5-1	Number of meetings of programme bodies	8.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
F	OI5-2	Number of projects calls implemented	3.00	2.00	2.00	0.00
S	OI5-2	Number of projects calls implemented	3.00	2.00	2.00	0.00
F	OI5-3	Number of interim programme evaluations implemented	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	OI5-3	Number of interim programme evaluations implemented	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	OI5-4	Number of events for information and promotion	36.00	19.00	18.00	0.00
S	OI5-4	Number of events for information and promotion	8.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
F	OI5-5	Number of employees (full time equivalent) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	27.00	29.00	30.00	35.00
S	OI5-5	Number of employees (full time equivalent) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	27.00	34.00	34.00	34.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
Specific objective	5-1 - Technical assistance

Table 1: Result indicators - 5.5-1

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	Observations
R15-1	Effective absorption of funds Certified expenditures on planned allocation by the deadlines established	Percentage	0.00	2015	100.00	11.94		

ID	Indicator	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R15-1	Effective absorption of funds Certified expenditures on planned allocation by the deadlines established	1.57							

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3.3 Table 3: Information on the milestones and targets defined in the performance framework

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Milestone for 2018 total	Final target (2023) total	2018	Observations
1	F	IF1	Financial execution for PA 1	EUR	978983.87	27,034,853.00	5,288,931,76	Expenditures incurred and paid by the beneficiaries in 2018 and certified until 16 April 2019 (IPA no.7)
1	O	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	Units	500	3,000.00	14,929.00	The final target for this indicator is 34.159. Due to a clerical error, the revised OP (COM Decision no. 971_13.02.2019) does not include this change in the PF section, only in the section Common and programme specific output indicators.
2	F	2FI	Financial execution for PA2	EUR	680677.58	18,797,060.00	1,196,285,39	Expenditures incurred and paid by the beneficiaries in 2018 and certified until 16 April 2019 (IPA no.7)
2	O	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	Persons	1000	50,000.00	21,200.00	
3	F	3FI	Financial execution for PA3	EUR	865166.65	23,891,766.00	1,732,075,65	Expenditures incurred and paid by the beneficiaries in 2018 and certified until 16 April 2019 (IPA no.7)
3	I	KIS	Number of investments	Units	1		5.00	
3	O	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	Units	0	5.00	0.00	
4	F	4FI	Financial execution for PA4	EUR	347229.70	9,588,825.00	2,975,838,31	Expenditures incurred and paid by the beneficiaries in 2018 and certified until 16 April 2019 (IPA no.7)
4	O	OI4-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	Units	5	20.00	35.00	The final target for this indicator is 62. Due to a clerical error, the revised OP (COM Decision no. 971_13.02.2019) does not include this change in the PF section, only in the section Common and programme specific output indicators.
4	O	OI4-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	Units	100	500.00	1,005.00	The final target for this indicator is 1303. Due to a clerical error, the revised OP (COM Decision no. 971_13.02.2019) does not include this change in the PF section, only in the section Common and programme specific output indicators.

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	2017	2016	2015	2014
1	F	IF1	Financial execution for PA 1	EUR				
1	O	OII-1	Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services.	Units				
2	F	2FI	Financial execution for PA2	EUR				
2	O	COI-3	Population benefiting from flood protection measures	Persons				
3	F	3FI	Financial execution for PA3	EUR				
3	I	KIS	Number of investments	Units				
3	O	OI3-3	Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure	Units				
4	F	4FI	Financial execution for PA4	EUR				
4	O	OI4-1	Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism	Units				
4	O	OI4-3	Number of participants attending training initiatives	Units				

3.4. Financial data

Table 4: Financial information at priority axis and programme level

As set out in Table 1 of Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 (Model for transmission of financial data) and table 17 of model for cooperation programmes under IPA.

Priority axis	Calculation basis	Total funding	Co-financing rate	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Proportion of the total allocation covered with selected operations	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	Total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Proportion of the total allocation covered by eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries	Number of operations selected	Total eligible expenditure incurred by beneficiaries and paid by 31/12/2018 and certified to the Commission
1	Public	18,188,970.00	85.00	19,108,057.97	105.05%	19,079,183.14	4,435,924.91	24.39%	12	5,288,931,76
2	Public	21,150,000.00	85.00	6,916,756.16	32.70%	6,916,756.16	1,166,317.75	5.51%	6	1,196,285,39
3	Public	21,150,000.00	85.00	21,529,936.82	101.80%	21,509,603.62	1,023,749.58	4.84%	5	1,732,075,65
4	Public	18,823,530.00	85.00	7,737,769.93	41.11%	7,582,766.48	1,792,152.12	9.52%	12	2,975,838,31
5	Public	8,812,499.00	85.00	4,537,274.52	51.49%	4,537,274.52	1,890,865.94	21.46%	4	2,815,261,19
Total		88,124,999.00	85.00	59,829,795.40	67.89%	59,625,583.92	10,309,010.30	11.70%	39	14,008,392,30

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Where applicable, the use of any contribution from third countries participating in the cooperation programme should be provided (for example IPA and ENI, Norway, Switzerland)

Not the case for Interreg IPA CBC Romania-Serbia

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Table 5: Breakdown of the cumulative financial data by category of intervention

As set out in Table 2 of Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 (Model for transmission of financial data) and tables 6-9 of Model for cooperation programmes

Priority axis	Intervention field	Form of finance	Territorial dimension	Territorial delivery mechanism	«r.ir.etc.table5.thempridimen»	Economic dimension	Location dimension	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	The total eligible expenditure declared by eneficiaries to the managing authority	Number of operations selected
1	053	01	07	07	a	20	RO424	3,054,246.64	3,054,246.64	2,449,643.60	2
1	053	01	07	07	a	20	RS	13,315,191.02	13,315,191.02	621,338.16	2
1	102	01	07	07	a	21	RO424	210,519.75	210,519.75	169,604.28	1
1	102	01	07	07	a	21	RS	171,241.52	169,620.50	144,369.26	1
1	109	01	07	07	a	21	RO424	1,176,140.74	1,148,886.93	771,589.21	4
1	116	01	07	07	a	21	RO424	351,718.10	351,718.10	221,776.13	1
1	116	01	07	07	a	21	RS	829,000.20	829,000.20	57,604.27	1
2	085	01	07	07	b	22	RO422	1,353,167.55	1,353,167.55	319,309.45	1
2	085	01	07	07	b	22	RO424	343,035.00	343,035.00	223,315.49	1
2	088	01	07	07	b	22	RO413	844,637.86	844,637.86	363,884.01	1
2	088	01	07	07	b	22	RO422	941,292.45	941,292.45	35,866.06	1
2	088	01	07	07	b	22	RO424	1,414,018.00	1,414,018.00	145,100.35	1
2	088	01	07	07	b	22	RS	2,020,605.30	2,020,605.30	78,842.39	1
3	041	01	07	07	c	12	RO424	13,850,687.41	13,850,687.41	37,183.77	1
3	044	01	07	07	c	12	RO413	1,917,846.42	1,917,846.42	425,303.31	1
3	044	01	07	07	c	12	RS	1,813,477.54	1,803,672.53	267,388.70	1
3	048	01	07	07	c	12	RO422	2,316,418.65	2,316,418.65	226,919.21	1
3	048	01	07	07	c	13	RS	1,631,506.80	1,620,978.61	66,954.59	1
4	091	01	07	07	d	15	RO422	231,640.50	229,578.74	83,002.21	1
4	091	01	07	07	d	15	RO424	345,815.40	345,815.40	125,232.07	1
4	091	01	07	07	d	15	RS	1,200,565.80	1,096,207.49	342,535.66	2
4	092	01	07	07	d	15	RO422	722,770.75	722,770.75	34,973.33	1
4	092	01	07	07	d	15	RO424	966,463.77	957,341.87	152,706.54	2
4	093	01	07	07	d	15	RO413	453,982.04	434,297.85	202,456.39	1
4	093	01	07	07	d	15	RS	1,037,996.01	1,026,387.31	231,607.32	2
4	094	01	07	07	d	15	RO413	461,614.78	459,350.07	321,723.56	1
4	094	01	07	07	d	15	RS	2,316,920.88	2,311,017.00	297,915.04	1
5	121	01	07	07		24	RO321	812,394.67	812,394.67	212,857.25	2
5	121	01	07	07		24	RO424	2,674,223.39	2,674,223.39	1,152,855.38	1
5	121	01	07	07		24	RS	734,849.95	734,849.95	396,950.03	1
5	122	01	07	07		24	RO321	60,016.33	60,016.33	17,932.35	1
5	123	01	07	07		24	RO424	255,790.18	255,790.18	110,270.93	1

Table 6: Cumulative cost of all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area

1. Operation (2)	2. The amount of IPA support(1) envisaged to be used for all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area based on selected operations	3. Share of the total financial allocation to all or part of an operation located outside the Union part of the programme area (%) (column 2/total amount allocated to the support from the IPA at programme level * 100)	4. Eligible expenditure of IPA support incurred in all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority	5. Share of the total financial allocation to all or part of an operation located outside the Union part of the programme area (%) (column 4/total amount allocated to the support from the IPA at programme level *100)
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(1) IPA support is the Commission decision on the respective cooperation programme.

(2) In accordance with and subject to ceilings set out Article 20 of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013.

Not the case for Interreg IPA CBC Romania-Serbia

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4. SYNTHESIS OF THE EVALUATIONS

According to the revised Evaluation Plan the implementation evaluation was planned for July 2018 - January 2019. Public procurement procedure steps took longer than expected and procedure had to be relaunched because no tender was submitted. Thus, the initial planning had to be revised and the second public procurement procedure is currently ongoing.

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5. ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN

(a) Issues which affect the performance of the programme and the measures taken

The issues foreseen to affect the performance of the Programme have been tackled through a Programme revision (COM implementing decision no. 971/13.02.2019) and were as follows:

- changes related to the JS Antenna

For better addressing the needs of the Serbian beneficiaries, it was decided that the National Authority takes over the TA budget for JS Antenna, from Regional office for CBC in Timisoara and to include it in National Authority TA budget, in order to cover all JS Antenna expenses needed for a smooth implementation of the programme. As a result, a new JS Antenna has been appointed and JS Antenna staff was selected through a public and transparent competitive procedure in line with Serbian legislation, the new staff have concluded contracts with National Authority at the beginning of 2019.

Also, through this measure, the Serbian Government ensures a similar approach for all their borders and also an equal treatment of the Serbian beneficiaries involved in Interreg Programmes.

- revising the financial data

The figures referring to allocations at Priority axis/categories of intervention level were revised as to reflect the 2018 progress in implementation at programme level, after contracting the projects selected after the first call for proposals. The initial financial allocations were set based on the consultation with the local stakeholders. However, the projects submitted, as well as their quality, did not reflect their initial interest for specific priority axes.

In the light of JMC Decision on project selection and after the projects were contracted, the financial allocations have been revised in order to adjust the imbalances between the financial allocations of the priority axes and the payments to be executed, according to the contracted projects under the first call for proposals.

Another aspect which impacted the revision of the financial allocations was the rate of indicators' achievement, which was low in some priority axes that had already consumed their budget prior to the second call for proposals, with the strategic projects. Also, the second call for proposals targeted the underachieved indicators, underpinning the shift in the financial allocation so as to allow the achievement for all programme and priority axes indicators.

(b) OPTIONAL FOR LIGHT REPORTS, otherwise it will be included in point 9.1. An assessment of whether progress made towards targets is sufficient to ensure their fulfilment, indicating any remedial actions taken or planned, where appropriate.

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6. CITIZEN'S SUMMARY (ARTICLE 50(9) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

A citizen's summary of the contents of the annual and the final implementation reports shall be made public and uploaded as a separate file in the form of annex to the annual and the final implementation report

You can upload/find the Citizen's summary under General > Documents

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7. REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (ARTICLE 46 OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013)

Not Applicable

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8. PROGRESS IN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR PROJECTS AND JOINT ACTION PLANS (ARTICLE 101(H) AND ARTICLE 111(3) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013 AND ARTICLE 14(3)(B) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1299/2013)

8.1. Major projects

Not Applicable

Table 7: Major projects

Project	CCI	Status of MP	Total investments	Total eligible costs	Planned notification/submission date	Date of agreement/ approval by Commission	Planned start of implementation	Planned completion date	Priority axis / Thematic priorities	Current state of realisation — financial progress (% of expenditure certified to Commission compared to total eligible cost)	Current state of realisation — physical progress Main implementation stage of the project	Main outputs	Date signature of first works contract (1)	Observations
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(1) In the case of operations implemented under PPP structures the signing of the PPP contract between the public body and the private sector body (Article 102(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013).

Not Applicable

Significant problems encountered in implementing major projects and measures taken to overcome them

Not Applicable

Any change planned in the list of major projects in the cooperation programme

Not Applicable

8.2. Joint action plans

Progress in the implementation of different stages of joint action plans

Not Applicable

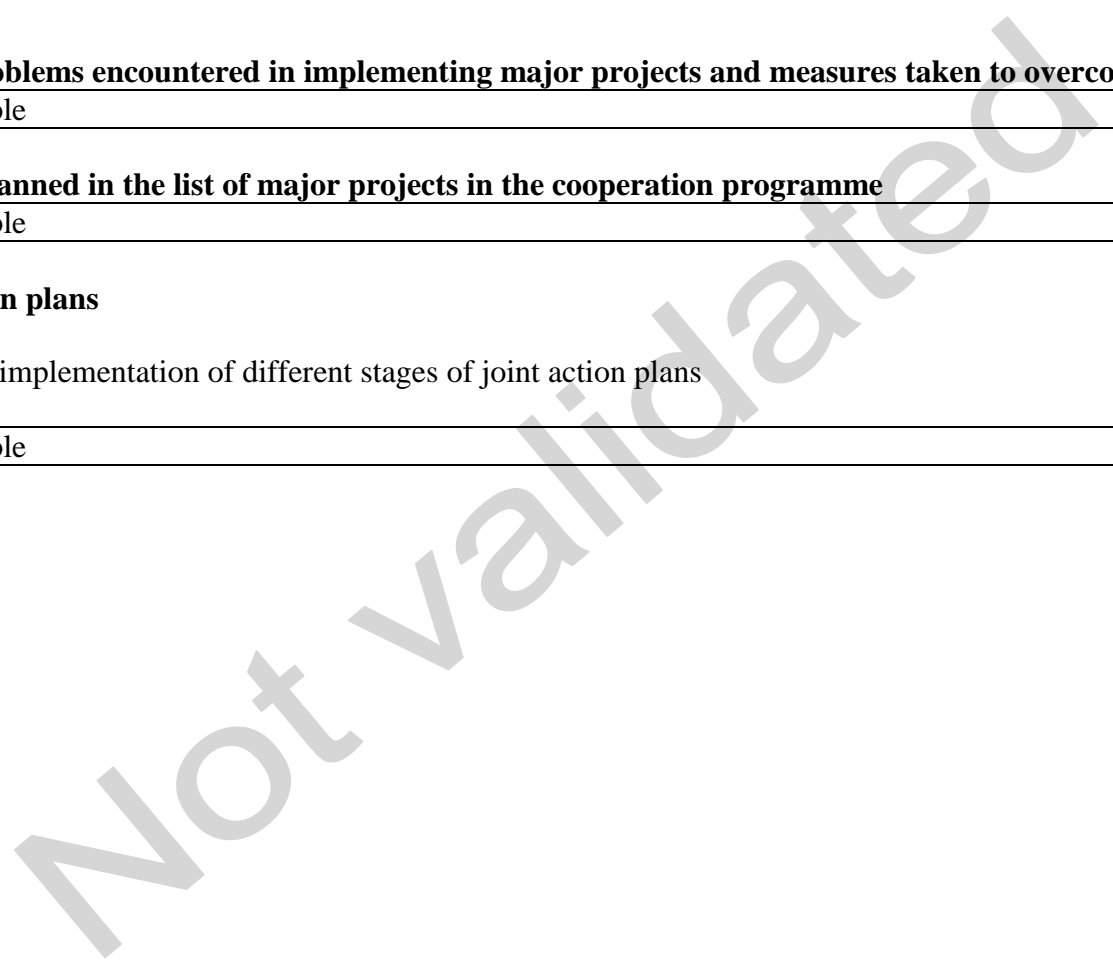


Table 8: Joint action plans (JAP)

Title of the JAP	CCI	Stage of implementation of JAP	Total eligible costs	Total public support	OP contribution to JAP	Priority axis	Type of JAP	[Planned] submission to the Commission	[Planned] start of implementation	[Planned] completion	Main outputs and results	Total eligible expenditure certified to the Commission	Observations
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Not Applicable

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Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

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Not Applicable

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9. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 50(4) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013 AND ARTICLE 14(4) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1299/2013)

9.1 Information in Part A and achieving the objectives of the programme (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Analysing the progress of the Programme towards the framework agreement milestones and general proposed targets, it can be concluded that significant progress has been made for achievement of both output / result and financial indicators.

The Programme is on the right track, with all the available financial allocation committed to contracted projects, with already finalized and running projects on all priority axis already producing results that contribute to the development of cooperation within the entire eligible area of the Programme.

Priority axis	1 - Employment promotion and basic services strengthening for an inclusive growth
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12 projects are contracted (11 normal projects and 1 strategic project) with a total value of 19,108,057.97 million euro (105.05% of the amount allocated (*based on the initial financial allocation*) to this PA was committed to projects). The remaining amount will be contracted during the 2019.

5,288,931.76 Euro were certified, thus the target included in the performance framework was reached.

Out of the 12 contracted projects, 4 have already finalised the implementation. Based on the information provided by the beneficiaries of the running / finalised projects, the progress of the indicators is as follows:

Analysis of the first call for proposals and call for strategic project proposals shows that the highest interest under PA1 was generated by the 3rd specific objective (for the first call for proposals), over 44% of the total requested funds, and by the 2nd specific objective (for the strategic call for proposals), over 54% of the total requested funds.

CO36 Population covered by improved health services – the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are not contributing to this indicator, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

CO45 Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are not contributing to this indicator, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI1-1 Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services – the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are not contributing to this indicator, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI1-2 Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of labour market – considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI1-3 Investment in health care and social services infrastructure - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be

performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI1-4 Disadvantaged persons involved in projects activities - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are only contributing to this indicator with 5%, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contributions of the projects still under implementation is showing. It is estimated that the Programme target will be exceeded as the finalized projects already reported a higher contribution than estimated.

OI1-5 Joint actions targeting vulnerable groups (youth, women, disabled, ethnic minorities) established for the prevention of early school leaving, for cultural inclusion - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the contribution of the finalized project to this indicator with is insignificant, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contributions of the projects still under implementation is showing. It is estimated that the Programme target will be exceeded as the finalized projects already reported a higher contribution than estimated.

OI1-6 Joint actions targeting smart (green) growth opportunities - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

Considering the claimed contribution to the output indicators as well as the high interest present by the applicants during the second call for proposals it is expected that the output indicators targets will be achieved.

The projects submitted and financed under this priority axis are addressing a large area of interest – from cultural integration to state-of-the-art investments in health services or labour market and green economy support.

Priority axis	2 - Environmental protection and risk management
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6 projects are contracted with a total value of 6,916,756.16 euro (32.70% of the amount allocated to this PA was committed to projects). The remaining amount will be contracted during the 2019.

1,196,285.39 Euro were certified, thus the target included in the performance framework was reached.

Out of the 6 contracted projects, 1 has already finalised the implementation. Based on the information provided by the beneficiaries of the running / finalised projects, the progress of the indicators is as follows:

Analysis of the first call for proposals and call for strategic project proposals shows that the applicants were interested in both specific objectives of the PA2 small differences being observed in the values requested - 51% of the funds being requested for actions contributing to the 1st specific objective in the case of the first call for proposals, and over 58% of the total requested funds being requested for actions contributing to the 1st specific objective in the case of the strategic call for proposals.

COI-3 Population benefiting from flood protection measures - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI2-1 Infrastructure, equipment built/ installed/ modernized in the field of cross border services for environmental protection - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are not contributing to this indicator,

the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI2-2 Participants to project initiatives and events for information and awareness rising - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI2-3 Studies in the field of environmental protection and emergency management. (technical and scientific studies, researches in the relevant fields) - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analyse it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI2-4 Participants to capacity building initiatives - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are not contributing to this indicator, the Programme target twill be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI2-5 Monitoring systems established/ extended/ modernized in the eligible area in the field of environmental protection and emergency management - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

Considering the claimed contribution to the output indicators as well as the high interest present by the applicants during the second call for proposals it is expected that the output indicators targets will be achieved.

The projects submitted and financed under this priority axis are addressing a large area of interest – from conservation and sustainable use of genetic resources linked to the climate change, to energy efficiency and strengthening the capacity to react in case of flooding, earthquakes and fires.

Priority axis

3 - Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility

5 projects are contracted with a total value of 21,529,936.82 Euro (101.80 % of the amount allocated (*based on the initial financial allocation*) to this PA was committed to projects). The remaining amount will be contracted during the 2019.

1,732,075.65 Euro were certified, thus the target included in the performance framework was reached.

None of the 5 contracted projects, has finalised the implementation during the reporting period. Based on the information provided by the beneficiaries of the running projects, the progress of the indicators is as follows:

Analysis of the first call for proposals shows that the applicants were interested in both specific objectives of the PA3 small differences being observed in the values requested - 51% of the funds being requested for actions contributing to the 1st specific objective. For the strategic call for proposals all project proposals presented actions contributing to the 1st specific objective.

OI3-1 Cross border cooperation structures supported in the field of transport and public utilities - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full. The Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI3-2 Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or the realisation of actions in the field of transport and mobility infrastructure - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full. The Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI3-3 Investments in transport and utilities infrastructure, including improvement, enhancement of existing infrastructure - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values.

OI3-4 Participants to information/ training/ awareness raising initiatives in the field of transport and public utilities - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values

OI3-5 Joint initiatives on improvements of public transport and intermodal connections - considering the claimed contribution of the projects financed following the first calls for proposals, it is estimated that the Programme target value will not be achieved in full. Considering this analysis it has been established that the next call for proposals will target projects contributing to this indicator. In this regard, projects submitted and contributing to the achievement of this indicator will be better scored during the technical and financial evaluation. A new analysis will be performed following the contracting of the projects approved after the next call for proposals and, if necessary new mitigation measures will be set in place in order to secure the achievement of the target values

Considering the claimed contribution to the output indicators as well as the high interest present by the applicants during the second call for proposals it is expected that the output indicators targets will be achieved.

The projects submitted and financed under this priority axis are addressing a large area of interest – from rehabilitation/improvement of urban infrastructure to investments improvement of road and river connectivity.

Priority axis	4 - Attractiveness for sustainable tourism
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12 projects are contracted with a total value of 7,737,769.93 Euro (41.11% of the amount allocated to this PA was committed to projects). The remaining amount will be contracted during the 2019.

2,975,838.31 Euro were certified, thus the target included in the performance framework was reached.

Out of the 12 contracted projects, 1 was terminated and 2 have already finalised the implementation. Based on the information provided by the beneficiaries of the running / finalised projects, the progress of the indicators is as follows:

Analysis of the first call for proposals and call for strategic project proposals shows that the highest interest under PA4 was generated by the first specific objective (for both calls for proposals), over 61% of the total requested funds.

OI4-1 Cross border cooperation structures/ initiatives supported in the field of tourism - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are only contributing to this indicator with 17%, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI4-2 Studies related to the implementation of selected projects or research and studies in the field of natural and cultural resources - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full. The Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI4-3 Number of participants attending training initiatives - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. The finalized project are contributing to this indicator with 23%. The Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing. It is estimated that the Programme target will be exceeded as the finalized projects already reported a higher contribution than estimated.

OI4-4 Joint actions and communication instruments created - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. Even if the finalized project are only contributing to this indicator with 9%, the Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing.

OI4-5 Partnerships for the exchange of good practices and the promotion of joint initiatives established - the output indicator is estimated to be achieved in full considering the claimed contribution of the projects already financed. The finalized project are contributing to this indicator with 40%. The Programme target will be achieved as the partial contribution of the projects still under implementation is showing. It is estimated that the Programme target will be exceeded as the finalized projects already reported a higher contribution than estimated.

The analysis of the output indicators shows that the financed projects claimed contribution will lead to the overachievement of all output indicators targets after the first 2 calls for proposals.

The projects submitted and financed under this priority axis are addressing a large area of interest – from local heritage promotion as a tourism product to improvement of touristic services.

Priority axis	5 - Technical Assistance
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By the end of 2018, 50% of the TA budget has been contracted by the TA beneficiaries (Managing authority, ROCBC Timisoara as Joint Secretariat and Romanian FLC, Serbian National Authority and Audit Authority).

No programme evaluations were carried out. The programme evaluations will start as soon as the external expertise is contracted and it will include also an evaluation of the Multi-annual Technical Assistance Strategy.

The main use of TA funds in 2018 by the managing structures included support for potential beneficiaries in drafting their application forms for the second call for proposals, including eMS trainings, monitoring, audit and participation in post 2020 discussion.

9.2. Specific actions taken to promote equality between men and women and to promote non-discrimination, in particular accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the arrangements implemented to ensure the integration of the gender perspective in the cooperation programme and operations (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 2, (d) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

An assessment of the implementation of specific actions to take into account the principles set out in Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 on promotion of equality between men and women and non-discrimination, including, where relevant, depending on the content and objectives of the cooperation programme, an overview of specific actions taken to promote equality between men and women and to promote non-discrimination, including accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the arrangements implemented to ensure the integration of the gender perspective in the cooperation programme and operations.

Promotion of equal opportunities and non-discrimination was acknowledged by the Programme starting with the programming period and applied during the implementation through the application form, applicant's guide and project evaluation and progress reports. All project proposals were required to ensure the compliance with the horizontal principles.

The introduction of the equal opportunities principles in the project proposals were described in detail in the Programme document as well as the Applicant's Guide. The Application form included a section dedicated to the horizontal principles where the applicants were required to explain how their project proposals are contributing to the promotion of equality and non-discrimination and to clearly state whether their contribution is negative, positive or neutral.

During the technical and financial evaluation of the project proposals, the contribution to the horizontal principles was evaluated, points being awarded depending on the specific measures provisioned to contribute to the promotion of equal opportunities and equality between men and women.

During the implementation, the projects are required to report the implementation of the specific measures provisioned to contribute to the promotion of equal opportunities and equality between men and women through each project report submitted.

There are several projects dealing specifically with equal opportunities and non-discrimination principles financed by the Programme:

RORS-22 "InclusiveArt – Access to Culture for Disadvantaged Children and Youth" – the project plans tackle at least 12 disadvantaged communities with a participative cultural intervention that is going to be designed and delivered with the participation of target groups and to contribute to the creation of permanent cultural offer for inclusion.

RORS-10 "A new chance for social inclusion of inmates" - within the project, 40 inmates (20 of each country) will be trained during a non-formal education program in the area of producing dry fruit, vegetables, medicinal plants, and herbs. The skills and knowledge they would acquire would increase their chance to become small producers. At least 60 participants in the events of promoting chance equality on the labour market for former inmates will be better informed and will understand better the importance such an aspect holds for society.

RORS-17 "Together for an Inclusive Community" – the project proposed an innovative model of social, educational and cultural inclusion involving key members of rural communities, border/marginal area, which contributes to the development of access to education for children from disadvantaged groups, social and cultural involvement and participation, with the support of community members – stakeholders, parents, and teachers.

9.3.Sustainable development (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 2, (e) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

An assessment of the implementation of actions to take into account the principles set out in Article 8 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 on sustainable development, including, where relevant, depending on the content and objectives of the cooperation programme, an overview of the actions taken to promote sustainable development in accordance with that Article.

Sustainable development was acknowledged by the Programme starting with the programming period and applied during the implementation through the application form, applicant's guide and project evaluation and progress reports.

Both the Programme and Applicant's Guide described in detail the project need to approach the sustainable development issues, including balanced use of resources, appropriate choice of logistic and raising public awareness on sustainable development issues.

In the evaluation of the applications the contribution to energy efficiency, renewable energy use and reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, contribution to efficient water supply, waste-water treatment and water reuse, application of green public procurement, contribution to efficient waste management, re-use and recycling, contribution to enhanced awareness of adaptation to climate change and risk prevention, contribution to more employment opportunities, education, training and support services in the context of environment protection have been considered when scoring the application forms. Projects that proposed explicit measures with positive impact on one or more of them, even in terms of raising public awareness, have been awarded additional points.

In particular, the principle of sustainable development was strongly embedded in PA 2 (Environmental protection and risk management) and PA3 (Sustainable Mobility and Accessibility). Also, PA1 provided several project proposals dealing with green economy support or even energy efficiency.

Examples of projects:

RORS-18 "Joint project for conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources from border areas as consequences of climate change" – the project plans to increase awareness of the population (target groups) about the importance of protection, conservation and enhancement of fruit trees and grapevine local cross-border germplasm resources in the context climate change and to obtain data about the germplasm origin through genetic characterization to functioning and adaptation in areas affected by climate change (drought, soil salting).

RORS-36 "Smart Urban Services Through Homogenous Quality Standard in Public Infrastructures for Higher Energy Efficiency"- the project is planning to invest in public lighting systems in two municipalities which will upgrade current situation and provide energy savings and also to develop a cross-border Guide for optimal use of public lighting.

9.4. Reporting on support used for climate change objectives (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Even if indirectly relevant for climate change objectives the following projects have or will improve either the prevention and management of climate related risks or the protection and enhancement of biodiversity:

RORS-18 “Joint project for conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources from border areas as consequences of climate change” – the project plans to increase awareness of the population (target groups) about the importance of protection, conservation and enhancement of fruit trees and grapevine local cross-border germplasm resources in the context climate change and to obtain data about the germplasm origin through genetic characterization to functioning and adaptation in areas affected by climate change (drought, soil salting).

RORS-36 “Smart Urban Services Through Homogenous Quality Standard in Public Infrastructures for Higher Energy Efficiency”- the project is planning to invest in public lighting systems in two municipalities which will upgrade current situation and provide energy savings and also to develop a cross-border Guide for optimal use of public lighting.

RORS-40 “Firefighters and the emergency management” – the project is planning on fighting the negative effects of the climate change by increasing the protection of nature, human inhabitants and their assets by investing in equipment for emergency management, identification of the risks in the project area and a strategy for emergency fast response.

Not validated

9.5 Role of partners in the implementation of the cooperation programme (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 1, (c) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

Assessment of the implementation of actions to take into account the role of partners referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, including involvement of the partners in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the cooperation programme.

The Joint Secretariat responsible for the day-to-day implementation of the Programme - is responsible for fulfilling all the tasks delegated by the MA for the implementation of the Programme with regard to the JMC secretariat, project generation, evaluation and selection of the projects, technical, economic and financial monitoring and control of the projects, information and publicity.

When setting the composition of the JMC, the programme structures ensured the participation of all relevant partners according to the EU provisions.

JMC is actively involved in the decision-making process related to the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the programme. Thus, JMC is permanently consulted on matters related to the programme implementation, like: designing the calls for proposals, selection of operations, drafting implementation documents etc.; monitoring: approval of addenda to the subsidy contracts, drafting and approval of the annual implementation reports; programme evaluation. Their feedback – written or oral – was considered when finalising the documents.

Not validated

10. OBLIGATORY INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 14(4), SUBPARAGRAPH 1 (A) AND (B), OF REGULATION (EU) No 1299/2013

10.1 Progress in implementation of the evaluation plan and the follow-up given to the findings of evaluations

According to the Evaluation Plan, the *implementation evaluation* was scheduled to be carried out between July 2018 and January 2019.

In 2018, the Managing Authority initiated the procedure as soon as the funds became available in the budget, but pre-publishing period prolonged. In addition, no tender was submitted the first time the procurement procedure was published and the process had to be re-launched. As a consequence, the schedule of the *implementation evaluation* was delayed. Currently, the second public procurement procedure is ongoing; the estimated time for concluding the procedure is the first half of 2019.

The implementation evaluation will start as soon as the service contract is signed by the Managing Authority, covering all initial tasks in the evaluation plan.

Therefore, no evaluation was performed so far for Interreg-IPA CBC Romania-Serbia programme. The measurement of indicators, including the performance framework ones, that was part of the evaluation plan and planned to be carried out in the evaluation process, was performed internally. Forecasting and verifications shall still be performed during programme evaluation.

Not validated

10.2 The results of the information and publicity measures of the Funds carried out under the communication strategy

The Programme Communication Strategy was approved by the JMC through Decision no. 3/13.08.2015 and in accordance with it, the Annual Communication Plan was elaborated and approved through JMC Decision no. 2/13.08.2015. Both documents were revised by the JMC through Decision no. 48 and 49 on 13.12.2016. The scope of this revision was to transfer part of communication budget from MA to JS for carrying out with best results the planning communication activities.

The specific objectives of the Communication Strategy consisted of:

- To clearly explain all the requirements, eligibility conditions and procedures that potential beneficiaries need to follow in order to obtain financing;
- To ensure the visibility of the programme, at local and national level:
 - create the visual identity of the Programme and make sure all information and publicity activities of the direct beneficiaries comply to the VIM;
 - identify and disseminate success projects and good practices examples;
- To report to the general public, and annually to the JMC the results of projects financed by the programme;
- To ensure exchange of knowledge and good practices in communication, by actively participating in the network of the national communicators group (coordinated by Romanian Ministry of European Funds) and INTERREG communicators group (coordinated by Interact).

The target groups of the Communication Strategy are potential and direct beneficiaries, governmental/ non-governmental actors, European Union's institutions, mass-media, general public, staff of the management bodies of the Programme, other communication support groups and networks.

Activities undertaken in order to implement the information and publicity measures until the end of 2018:

A new website www.romania-serbia.net is dedicated to the Interreg-IPA CBC Ro – RS Programme, being functional since 2015. The website has a flexible, user-friendly structure, is accessible to people from the eligible area (information being provided on 3 languages: Romanian, Serbian and English) and being constantly updated with general information regarding the programme, the opportunities for financing, contact details of the Programmes' managing structures, list of operations, composition of the JMC, lists of Q&A, calendar of the events organised, legislation modifications, information regarding tender procedures, implementation procedures and instructions useful for beneficiaries, public information etc. The Programme promotion was also carried out using the Programme web site accessed by 13.000 visitors, as counted by "Google analytics". At the same time, during a promotional campaign connected to a call for proposals or an EC Day event, news will be posted on Facebook event pages or the Facebook page of the Programme.

The Guidelines for Applicants were posted on the website of the Programme and relevant information was sent, upon request, to the potential applicants, for all three calls for project proposals.

The VIM, useful instrument for Beneficiaries regarding the implementation of the information and publicity measures, included within the financing contracts, was approved through JMC Decision no. 26/4.02.2016 and modified through JMC Decision no. 78/29.05.2018 in order to increase the visibility of the EU flag on promotional and information materials.

Two documents were published in 2018 in the **Facts and figures** section of the Programme website: an electronic newsletter in October 2018 and the brochure published in both electronic and paper format, launched in December 2018.

Posting the news regarding the organisation of events on the Programmes' website, Facebook profile, via e-mail, by sending the relevant information towards the media representatives resulted in the generation of approximately **172** articles published in **2017** and **155** journalistic materials published in **2018** on the cross-border cooperation between Romania and Serbia funded by the Programme. Monitoring of the press articles in the central and local media as well as those with on line coverage is done constantly. From the statistical

analysis, most press articles were published in the first part of 2018 when the promotion of the second call for proposals was at its height and in September, around the ECD event.

The Annual Conferences regarding the progress registered in the implementation of the Interreg-IPA CBC Ro – RS were included in each of the annual European Cooperation Day events organized by the Interreg-IPA CBC Romania-Serbia Programme bodies. In 2017, EC Day was held in Kikinda, Serbia, with over 1.000 participants, music concerts and messages of cooperation on a cross-border board. In 2018, the EC Day event was held in Oravița on the 20.09.2018 and was attended by over 500 officials from the eligible area, beneficiaries and children, all eager to plant trees as a symbol of growth through cooperation.

The promotion of the second call for proposals launched on the 27.11.2017 was carried out by organizing various events: 2`Launch`, 2`Partner Search Forum`, 8`Workshops` in the eligible counties in Romania and districts in Serbia during 2017 and 2018. Therefore, there were **12** events for the call, almost **752** participants being present during these events, resulting in **176** projects submitted.

Meetings with potential applicants were held both at the headquarters of the Joint Secretariat (Help-desk) and at their locations in order to present the information referring to the calls for proposals launched under the Programme.

Information and promotion materials for the Interreg-IPA CBC Ro – RS Programme were produced and distributed to potential beneficiaries, general public during the events organised. The following items were personalized in 2018:

- 500 brochures, leaflets, power banks, retractable multi-chargers, weather stations, raincoats, backpacks, cycling reflective tapes, mp3 players, mini Bluetooth speakers;
- 20 posters;
- 10 roll-ups;
- 1000 block-notes USB Memory Sticks gift bags agendas;
- 2000 pens;

Capitalization of the projects results

In the framework of ‘2018 European Year of Cultural Heritage’ (EYCH), Interact and the European Commission (DG REGIO) published (in the form of an eBook and posters) information on two cultural projects from previous programme period.

The project “*Poles of cultures*” funded by the Romania-Republic of Serbia IPA Cross-border Cooperation Programme was selected as a best practice example and presented during EU Regions` Week in Brussels, 8-11 October 2018, in the framework of the workshop “Cultural heritage: worth the investment?”.

Also the project “*Local Heritage for Active Tourism in Banat*” (HerA) eMS RORS-20 was selected to take part in the general EYCH 2018 initiative.

Considering the Communication Strategy provisions, the Programme focused on supporting the successful implementation of the projects from first call and increase the public awareness thus ensuring the needed transparency.

11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE ADDED DEPENDING ON THE CONTENT AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 14(4), SUBPARAGRAPH 2 (A), (B), (C) AND (F), OF REGULATION (EU) No 1299/2013)

11.1. Progress in the implementation of the integrated approach to territorial development, including integrated territorial investments, sustainable urban development, and community led local development under the cooperation programme

Not applicable

Not validated

11.2 Progress in implementation of actions to reinforce the capacity of authorities and beneficiaries to administer and to use the IPA

Since the last strategic AIR, the programme structures have continued the measures to reinforce their own capacity and of the beneficiaries.

For programme structures: dedicated seminars, trainings and technical meetings were organized /attended for/by the staff, mostly related to eMS, programme and project implementation, communication and information etc.

- In the same time, the representatives of the MA have continued the activity in different working groups set up by Interact, namely: **Working Group for e-MS** - the activity is on-going.
- **Task Force for Cooperation and Coordination models** – the results are included in this document: <http://www.interact-eu.net/library#1653-publication-coordination-and-cooperation-how-can-we-achieve-these-interreg>.
- **Audit support network**, which gathered once in 2018, with the purpose of providing a platform for concerned MA/JS staff to exchange experiences, spread good practices, increase capacity and work towards harmonised approaches in the area of audits.

Applicants/beneficiaries level

In 2018, the programme structures have organized info days for second call launched for presenting the rules of the call and how to apply for funding.

As regards, the beneficiaries, during 2017-2018 the experts of the JS, MA and NA continued providing technical assistance to them. Thus, 20 technical assistance meetings (at the headquarters of the JS and at beneficiaries' headquarters) were organized for the beneficiaries of projects in implementation under the Programme. Providing information and clarifications on the provisions of Programme was carried out by the experts also through written, telephone and electronic correspondence.

Special attention was given to the trainings for beneficiaries regarding the use of the eMS system, all the technical meetings realized have included a special module for presentation the system and exercising, together with the beneficiaries the use of different reporting modules of the eMS.

11.3 Contribution to macro-regional and sea basin strategies (where appropriate)

As stipulated by the Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013, recital 19, article 8(3)(d) on the "Content, adoption and amendment of cooperation programmes" and article 14(4) 2nd subparagraph (c) "Implementation reports", this programme contributes to MRS(s) and/or SBS:

Although the Programme has no Priorities Axes specifically dedicated to the EUSDR, considering that the entire eligible area of the Programme is also eligible for the EUSDR, all running and finalised projects have impact on the all four EUSDR Pillars. Furthermore, the projects were required to explain their impact on the EUSDR points being awarded with extra points during the technical and financial evaluation depending on their impact on the EUSDR.

Several financed projects presented a clear impact on the EUSDR:

Project RORS-13 "Energy Efficiency - The Premise of a Better Environment in Romania – Serbia Cross-Border Area" with impact on PA2 – Sustainable energy, is planing to create 2 infrastructures according to the scope of the project for energy efficiency and use of renewable energy solutions, better environmental behavior and life for the society

Project RORS-29 "Improving connectivity along the Danube", with impact on PA 1B Rail-Road-Air Mobility, aims to improve the road infrastructure connecting settlements in Mehedinti and Golubac, through construction, rehabilitation, modernization and improving the connectivity within the CBC area

Project RORS-15 "The repairing of the navigation infrastructure on Bega Canal", with impact on PA 1A Water ways mobility, by improving mobility and multimodality of the inland waterways and by tourism promotion, building prosperity in the Danube region. The project aims to ensure long-term competitiveness, sustainable development of tourism in Romania - Serbia CBC and increasing regional benefits by creating new investment opportunities.

- EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR)
- EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)
- EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR)
- EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP)
- Atlantic Sea Basin Strategy (ATLSBS)

EUSDR

The pillar(s) and priority area(s) that the programme is relevant to:

	Pillar	Priority area
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.1 - Mobility - waterways
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.2 - Mobility - rail, road & air
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.3 - Energy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.4 - Culture and tourism
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 - Protecting the environment in the Danube region	2.2 - Environmental risks
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 - Protecting the environment in the Danube region	2.3 - Biodiversity, landscapes, air and soil quality
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.1 - Knowledge society
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.2 - Competitiveness
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.3 - People & skills

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 - Strengthening the Danube region	4.1 - Institutional capacity & cooperation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 - Strengthening the Danube region	4.2 - Security

Not validated

Actions or mechanisms used to better link the programme with the EUSDR

A. Are macro-regional coordinators (mainly National Coordinators, Priority Area Coordinators or Steering Group members) participating in the Monitoring Committee of the programme?

Yes No

Name and function

Ministry of Foreign Affairs as National Coordinator of EUSDR

B. In selection criteria, have extra points been attributed to specific measures supporting the EUSDR?

Yes No

a) Are targeted calls for proposals planned in relation to EUSDR

Yes No

b) How many macro-regional projects/actions are already supported by the programme? (Number)

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c) Were extra points/bonus given to a project/action with high macro-regional significance or impact? If yes, please elaborate (1 specific sentence)

In the evaluation process of the applications, at the technical and financial assessment, 2 points were awarded if the project contributes to the implementation of the EUSDR.

d) Other actions (e.g. planned strategic projects). Please elaborate (1 specific sentence)

n.a

C. Has the programme invested EU funds in the EUSDR?

Yes No

Approximate or exact amount in Euro invested in the EUSDR:

ERDF	0.00
CF	0.00
ESF	0.00
EAFRD	0.00
EMFF	0.00
ENI	0.00
IPA	67,415,624
any other funds	0.00
name of "any other funds"	-

D. Obtained results in relation to the EUSDR (n.a. for 2016)

The second call for proposals has been launched on 27.11.2017 and the projects have been submitted until 24.04.2018. The project financed under the first call for proposals and the strategic call for proposals are in implementation. The first results of these projects have been achieved during 2018: investing in people and

skills (Projects RORS-10, RORS-5, RORS-24, RORS-25), promote culture and tourism (Projects RORS-23, RORS-31, RORS-24, RORS-25), promote the conservation of the genetic pool and gene bank cooperation along the Danube (RORS-18).

E. Does the programme contribute to the targets as validated by the national coordinators and priority area coordinators in 2016 (uploaded on the EUSDR website)? (Please specify the target(s))

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Not validated

11.4 Progress in the implementation of actions in the field of social innovation

Not applicable

Not validated

13. SMART, SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH

Information and assessment of the programme contribution to achieving the Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

The Programme contributes to smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth through an integrated approach in order to address common territorial challenges.

The projects were encouraged to promote a contribution to the EU 2020 Strategy targets, by awarding 2 points during the evaluation process to those projects demonstrating a clear impact to Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

Example of project with contribution to Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth:

Project RORS-18: "Joint project for conservation and sustainable use of plant genetic resources from border areas as consequences of climate change" implemented by Banat University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine "King Michael I of Romania" (LP) in partnership with High Technical School of Professional Studies Pozarevac under PA2, managed to carry out one assessment study and characterization of local fruit trees and grapevine germplasm from cross-border area, in the context of climate change, create a common educational and research network, concerning the protection of local germplasm by creating one local germplasm Bank and transfer technology to valorise local fruit trees and grapevine germplasm from cross-border area.

Not validated

14. ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN — PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK (ARTICLE 50(2) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013)

Where the assessment of progress made with regard to the milestones and targets set out in the performance framework demonstrates that certain milestones and targets have not been achieved, Member States should outline the underlying reasons for failure to achieve these milestones in the report of 2019 (for milestones) and in the final implementation report (for targets).

The progress of the Programme has been consistent and the schedule of selection, contracting and implementation have ensured the achievement of the milestones for all the Programme indicators included in performance framework. It should be underlined that all the milestones for the financial indicators have been reached.

The measures taken by the Programme: launching a second call for proposal in 2017, accelerating the implementation / evaluation processes in 2018, and the revision of the financial data, at programme level, have succeeded in ensuring the achievement of the proposed milestones for all indicators and have secured the achievement of all the targets at the end of the Programme implementation period.

The Programme is closely monitoring the implementation of the already running projects in order to manage the risks for each indicator, especially for those depending on a minor number of projects, which in case of failure may seriously affect the achievement of the respective indicators.

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