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# Interreg VI-A IPA Programme Croatia – Bosnia and Herzegovina – Montenegro 2021-2027

1st MC meeting

29-30 March 2023, Kotor Montenegro





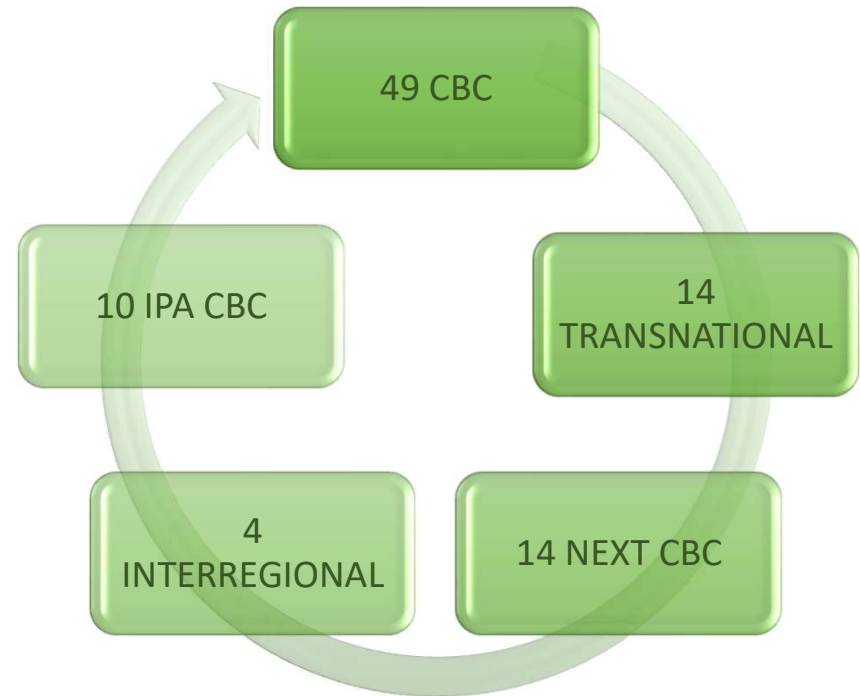
# Programming process

- 8 Programming Task Force meetings (from 12/2019 till 6/2022)
- Territorial and socio-economic analysis approved on 30 March 2021
- Public consultations including 200 stakeholders from 3 countries – from 17.5.2021.- 30.6.2021.
- Programming Task Force officially approved the IP on 28 June 2022
- IP submitted to the European Commission on 13 July 2022
- IP approved by Commission Decision C(2022)8028 on 3 November 2022



# Programme facts

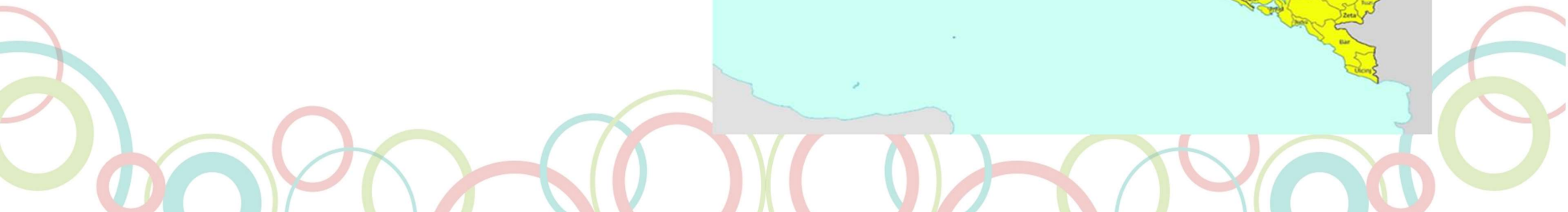
- Programme total value: **138.453.764 EUR**
- Programme aim: to foster **smart, green and inclusive development of the cross-border regions**
- IP reflects heterogenous programme area including small microregions with their specificities and different needs and lessons learned from 14-20 period
- Programme intervention logic includes the following sectors: **research, innovation and competitiveness, environment protection, energy efficiency, health and sustainable tourism and culture**
- **Cross-border solutions**, cooperation and knowledge sharing – minimum requirement!

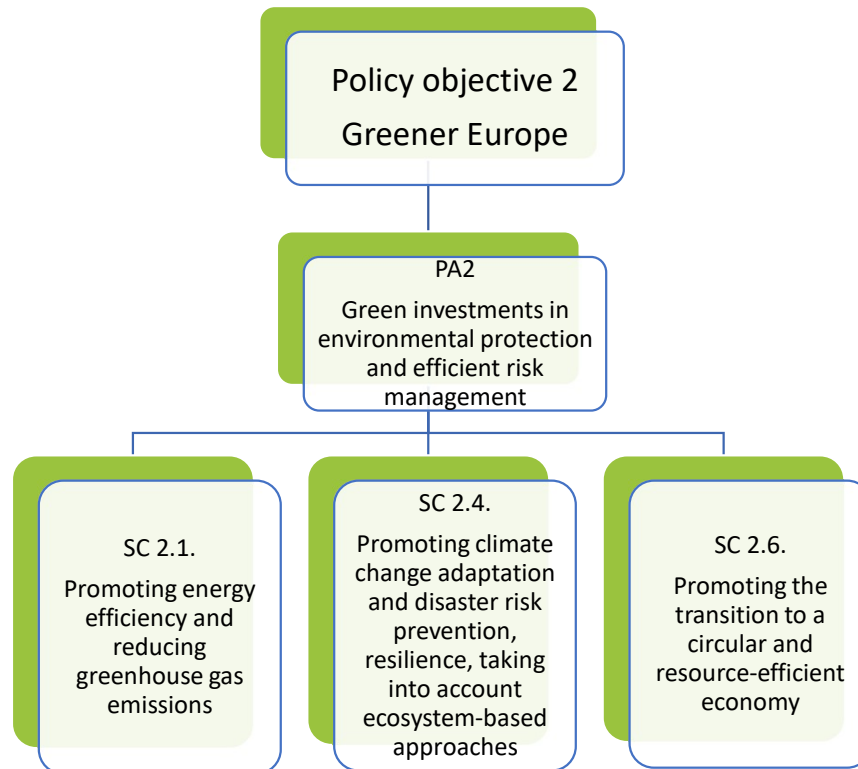
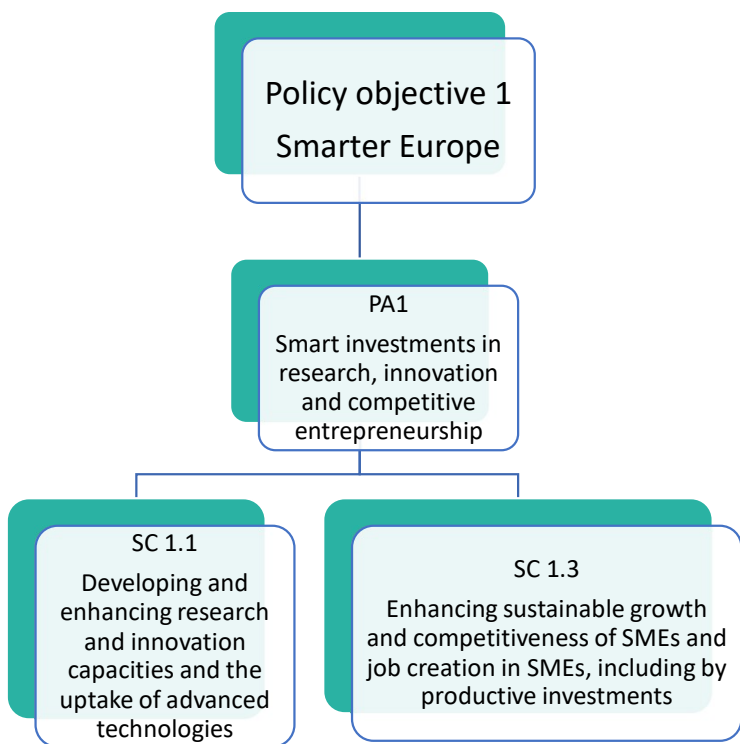


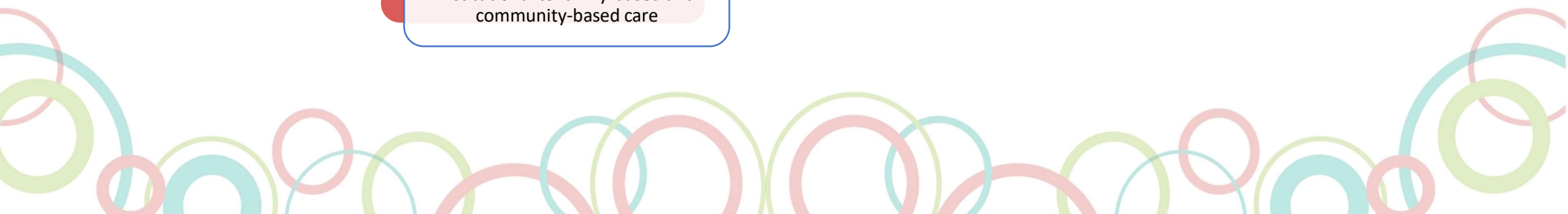
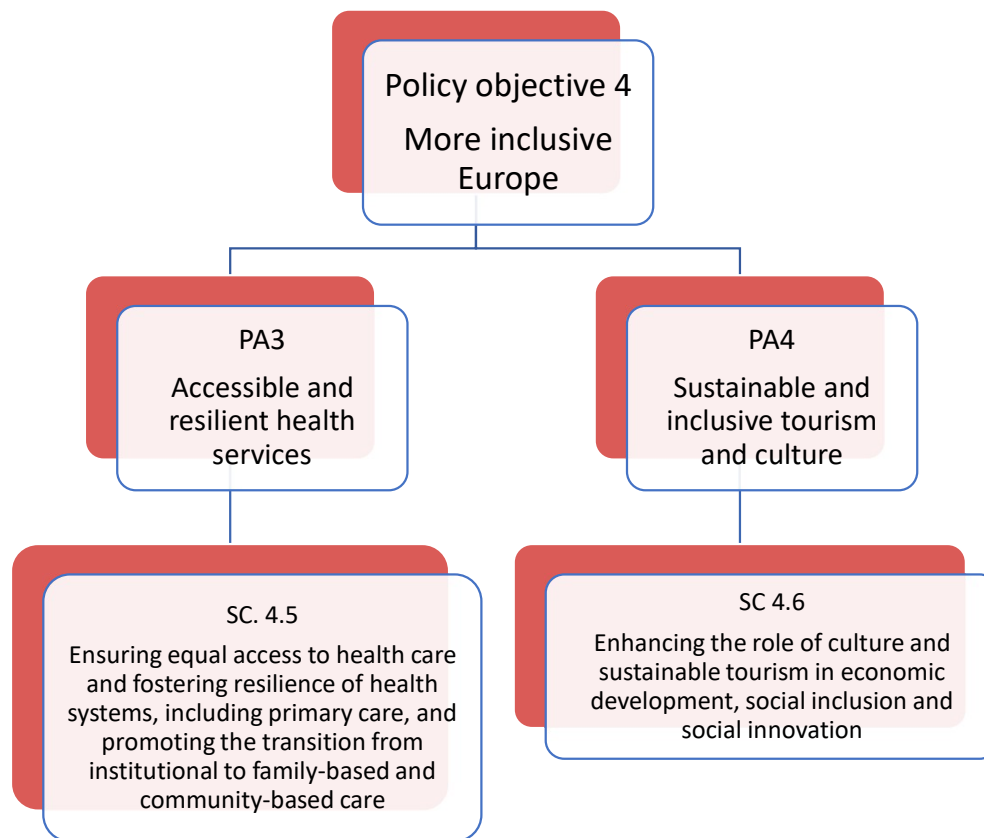
# Programme area

Programme area:

- 12 counties in Croatia
- 109 municipalities/cities and District Brčko in Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 12 municipalities in Montenegro
- 87.453,95 km<sup>2</sup>
- 5,1 million inhabitants









**PA1**

**Smart investments in  
research, innovation  
and competitive  
entrepreneurship**

**EU share:  
23.540.000,0 EUR (22%)**



**PA2**

**Green investments in  
environmental  
protection and efficient  
risk management**

**EU share:  
46.010.000 EUR (43%)**



**PA3**

**Accessible and resilient  
health services**

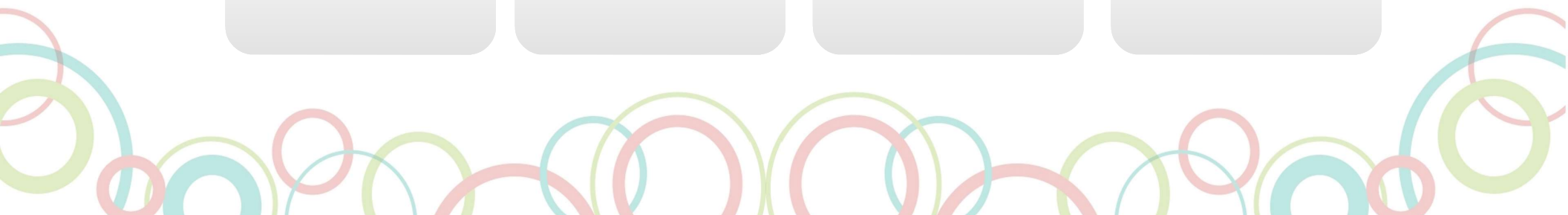
**EU share:  
19.250.000 EUR (18%)**



**PA4**

**Sustainable and  
inclusive tourism and  
culture**

**EU share:  
18.187.000 EUR (17%)**





# Priority Axis 1

## Specific objective 1.1:

- **Cross-border innovation** and application of **new technologies**
- **Business support** modernisation
- Accelerated **transfer of technology**
- **Good practice pilot activities**
- **ICT** in public sector
- **Research institution** cooperation networks
- **Sustainable** growth and **competitiveness**

## Specific objective 1.3:

- Strengthening **capacities of SMEs and clusters**
- Promotion of **international standards and certificates**

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# Priority Axis 2

## Specific objective 2.1:

- **Joint pilot actions** in the sector of managing energy and the use of renewable energy sources
- **Energy efficiency** in different sectors
- Joint activities in the sector of public buildings, in line with **Green Deal**
- Cross-border **transfer of knowledge** in energy efficiency sector
- Cross-border pilot actions in **data collection and analysis**
- Piloting **innovative and climate neutral solutions** in building

PA2

Green investments in  
environmental protection  
and efficient risk  
management

EU share:  
46.010.000 EUR (43%)



# Priority Axis 2

## Specific objective 2.4:

- Cross-border activities for adaptation to climate changes
- Piloting innovative and climate neutral solutions
- Strategies in the area of cross border natural catastrophes prevention
- Building capacities (trainings) and exchange of good practice
- Setting-up cross-border emergency centres

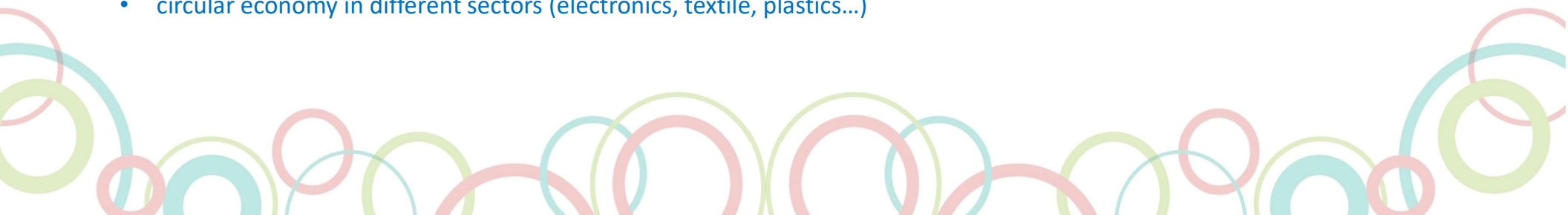
## Specific objective 2.6:

- Building capacities of public bodies in waste management
- Joint activities in circular economy (e.g. waste management)
- circular economy in different sectors (electronics, textile, plastics...)

PA2

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# Priority Axis 3

Specific objective 4.5:

- **ICT solutions and** pilot activities to support **digitalisation in health**
- Strengthening health care for **vulnerable groups** (elderly, children, people with disabilities)
- Strengthening the efficiency of the cross-border public services – **telemedicine, diagnostics, mobile clinics**
- **Building capacities** of service providers
- **Joint cross-border activities** to prevent diseases: encouraging healthy life, awareness raising activities on active and healthy aging

PO3

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# Priority Axis 4

Specific objective 4.6:

- Development and implementation of **joint pilot activities in tourism sector**
- **Investing in lesser known destinations** and different forms of tourism
- Innovative solutions and creation of „**smart**” destinations
- **Developing specific market services and products** (youth, elderly, persons with disabilities)
- Investing in restoration and safety of public areas
- **Social innovations** in tourism and culture
- **Eco-tourism** in Natura 2000 areas

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## Managing Authority's goals:

- Better services in the programme area due to infrastructure investments
- Jointly developed and implemented pilot actions
- Cross-border cooperation through networking/clustering
- Common solutions to the challenges of the microregions
- Strategic and action plans at the level of local/regional government units
- Joint cross-border trainings
- Connecting urban and rural areas
- Support tourism destinations to be more sustainable
- General public well informed of Programme and project results

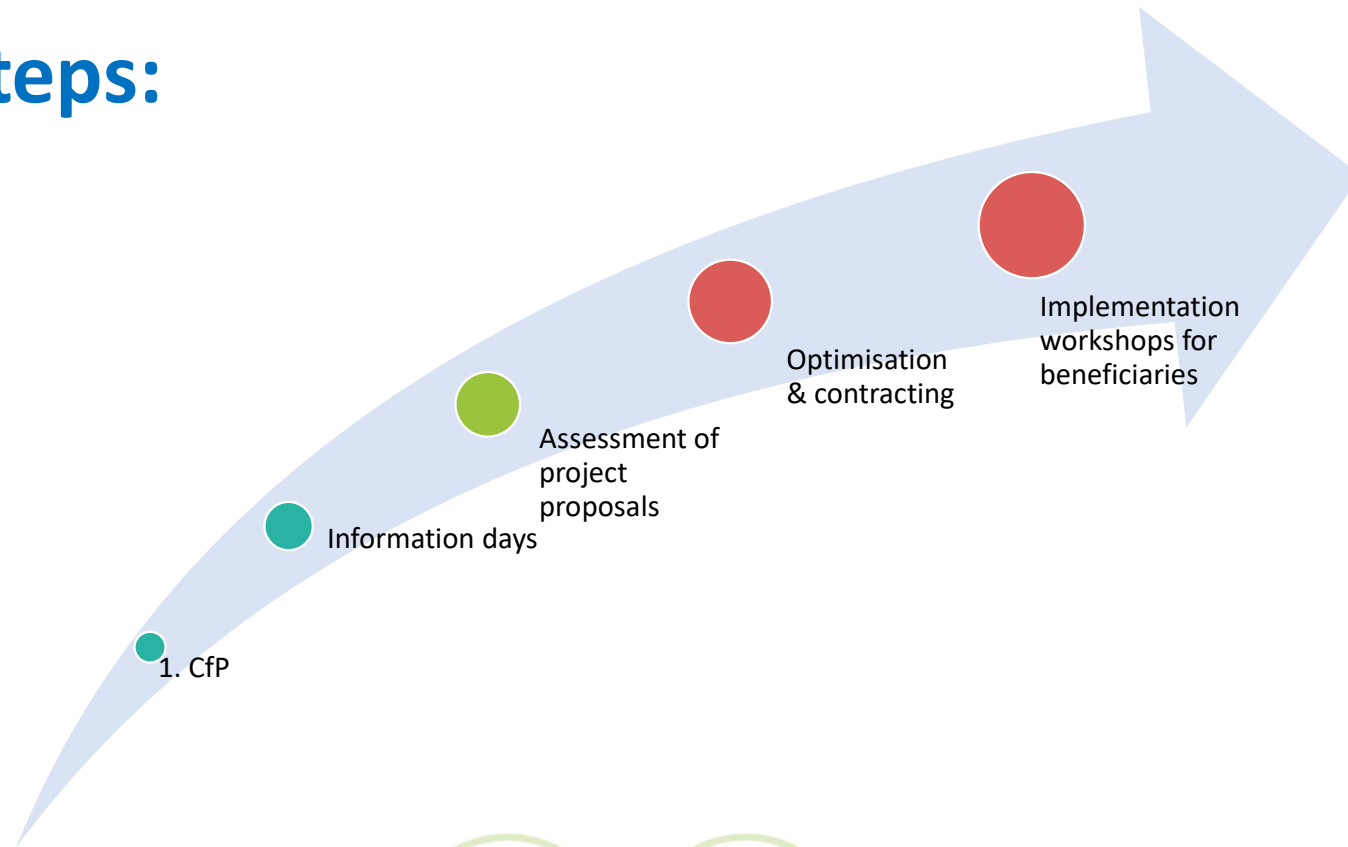
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## Next steps:



1. CfP

Information days

Assessment of  
project  
proposals

Optimisation  
& contracting

Implementation  
workshops for  
beneficiaries

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# More information:

- Research and innovations
- SMEs competitiveness
- Energy efficiency
- Climate change adaptation
- Circular economy
- Health
- Tourism and culture

## PROGRAMME NEWS

**SAVE THE DATE**  
13 December 2022

**SAVE THE DATE – Interreg IPA Launching Conference in Zagreb, 13 December 2022**

07/11/2022

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The European Commission approved the Interreg VI-A IPA programme Croatia – Bosnia and Herzegovina – Montenegro

04/11/2022

**Interreg - IPA CBC**

Version 2.0 of the Project Implementation Manual for 2nd CFP projects

14/04/2022

## PROGRAMME IN NUMBERS

**5.5**  
Millions inhabitants in our Area

**3**  
Countries



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# Thank you for your attention!

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