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

Programme state of play

5th MC meeting
4-5 March 2026
Podgorica, MNE



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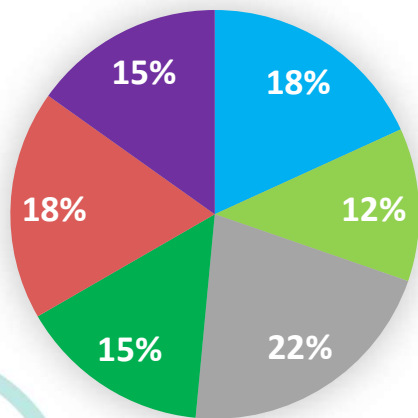
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1st Call for Proposals

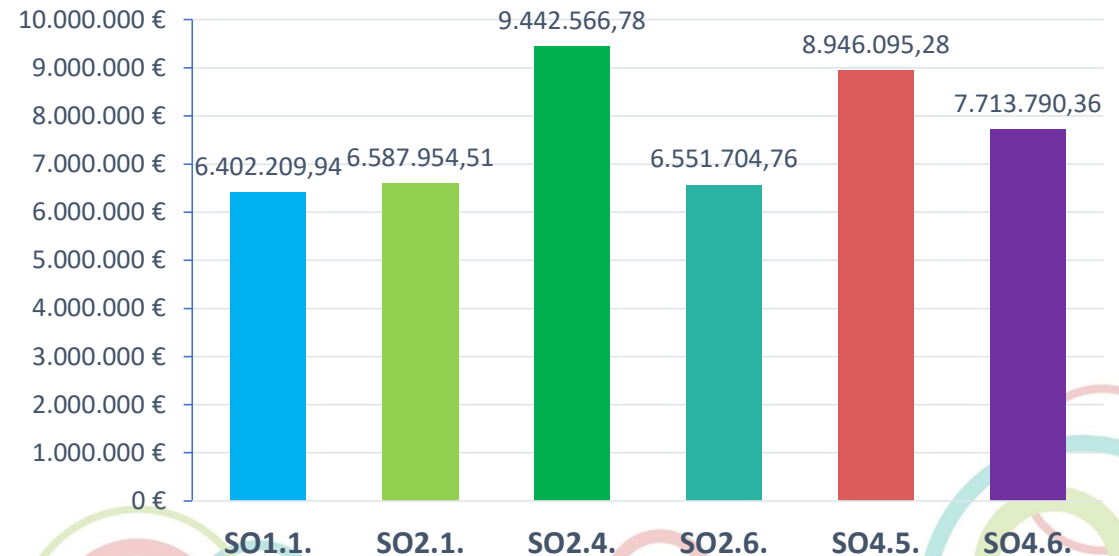
- 1st Call opened: 3 May – 2 August 2023
- Available EU funds: EUR 41.095.300,00
- 33 projects contracted (out of 217 applications)
- Amount contracted: EUR 44.683.990,31 (EU share)

Contracted projects per SO



- SO1.1. - 6 projects
- SO2.1. - 4 projects
- SO2.4. - 7 projects
- SO2.6. - 5 projects
- SO4.5. - 6 projects
- SO4.6. - 5 projects

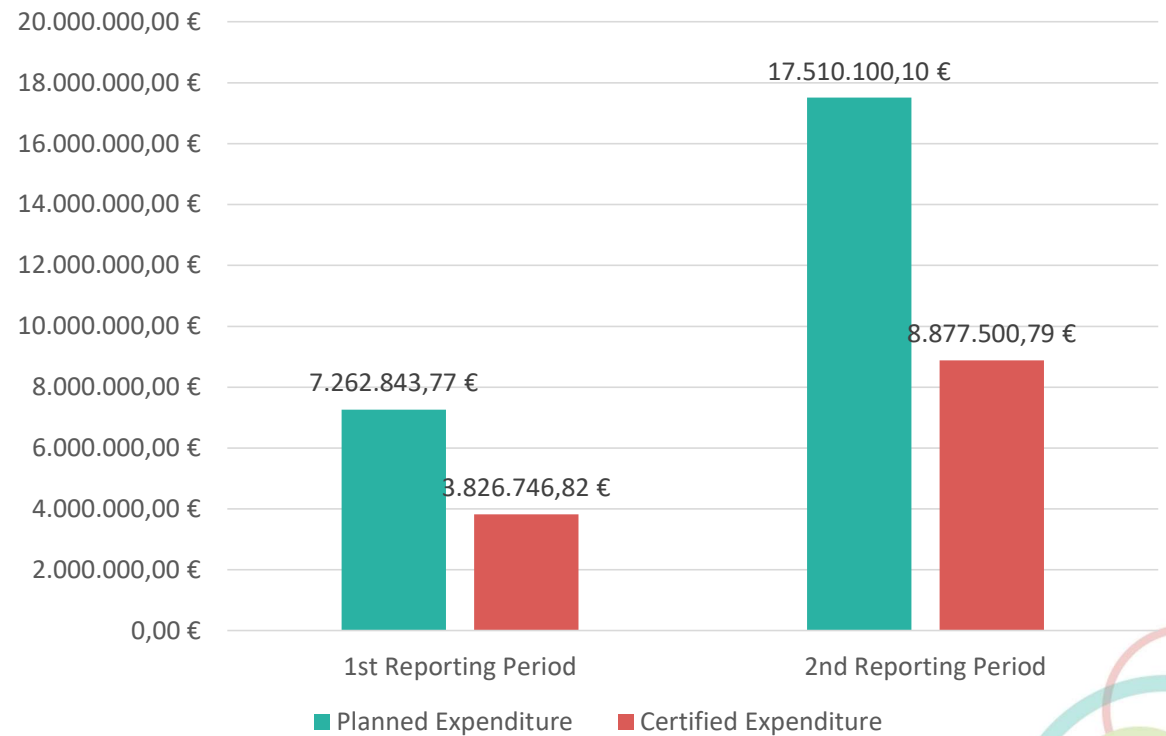
Contracted projects' EU share per SO



1st Call for Proposals - Implementation

- Projects are required to report on their progress on a 6-month reporting basis (except for the final period, depending on their duration)
- So far, all 33 projects submitted their 1st and 2nd Project Progress Reports which have been verified by NC, approved by JS/MA and paid by the AB. Their spending profile improved significantly in the 2nd reporting period.
- Verification of the 3rd Project Progress Reports is ongoing.

1st CfP Projects' Spending Profile (Total, EUR)



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SPF- Embrace

➤ SPF - Small Project Fund: Enhancing MSEs sustainable gRowth And CompEtitiveness

➤ SPF manager: HAMAG-BICRO/ Start: 01/03/2024, end: 28/02/2029

➤ Total budget: 11.764.705,47 EUR (EU share: 10.000.000,00 EUR)

➤ Management cost: 1.499.618,40 EUR (EU share: 1.274.675,64 EUR)

➤ Reporting periods: 4 months

➤ 1st CfP: 18 June – 17 September 2024

Available EU funds: EUR 3.000.000,00 (EU share)

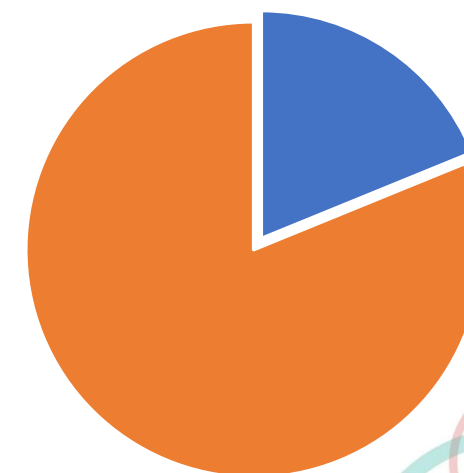
24 projects contracted (EUR 4.090.129,24 EU share)

➤ 2nd CfP: 1 October – 15 December 2025

Available EU funds: EUR 3.000.000,00 (EU share)

A total of 113 project proposals were submitted, requesting a total of EUR 20.109.595,61.

Embrace certified



■ certified ■ total ■

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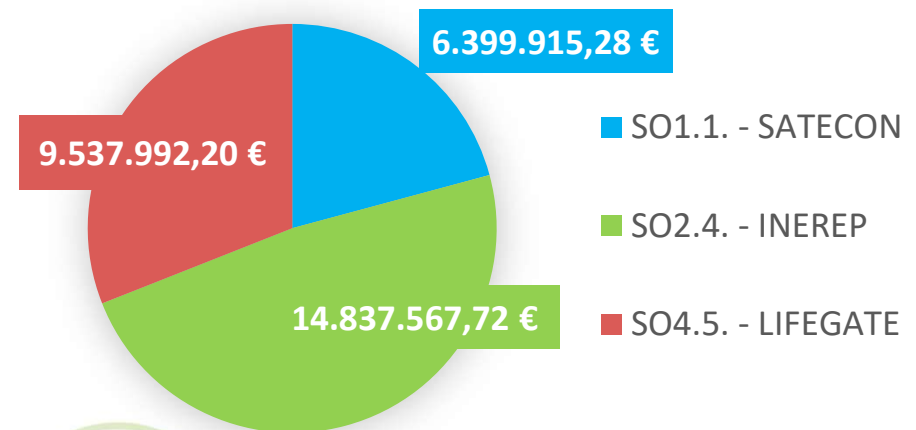
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Strategic Call (OSIs – Operations of Strategic Importance)

- 1st Str: 7 March – 7 April 2025
- 3 operations of strategic importance (OSI) contracted
- RSO 1.1 SATECON (1/9/2025); RSO 2.4 INEREP (1/7/2025); RSO 4.5 LIFEGATE (1/7/2025)
- Amount contracted: EUR 26.159.153,92 (EU share)
- Reporting period: 4 months

Total project budget per OSI



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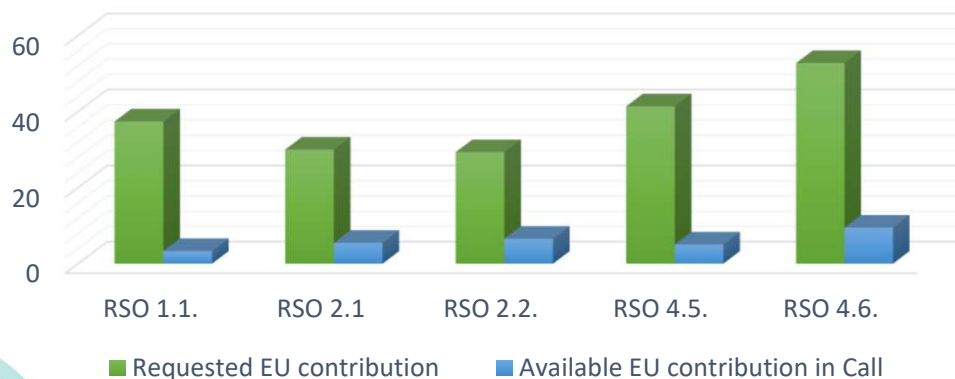
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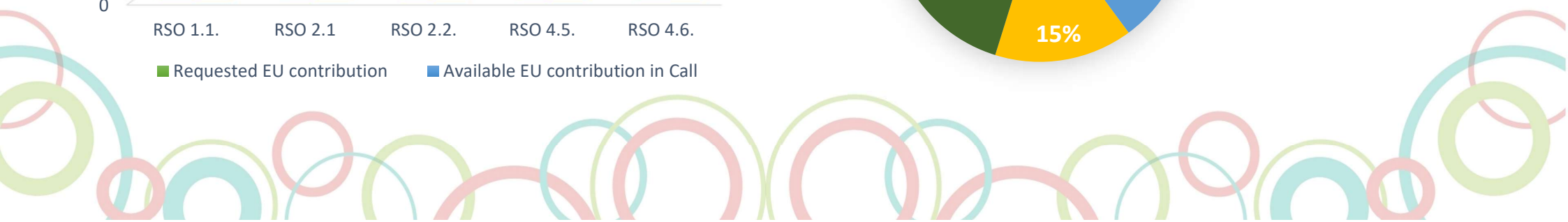
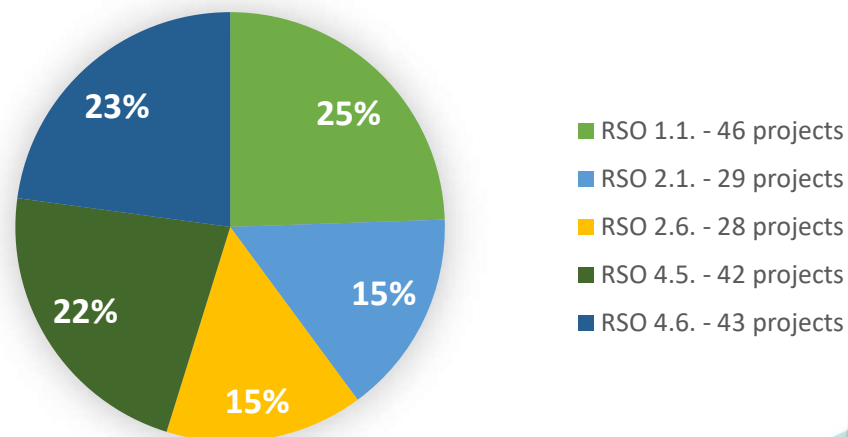
2nd Call for Proposals – Key Figures

- 2nd Call opened: 6 March 2025 – 6 June 2025
- Available EU funds: EUR 29.926.000,00
- 188 applications received, 764 project partners
- Requested EU funds: EUR 190.874.321,54

Requested/Available EU share per SO



No of Applications per SO



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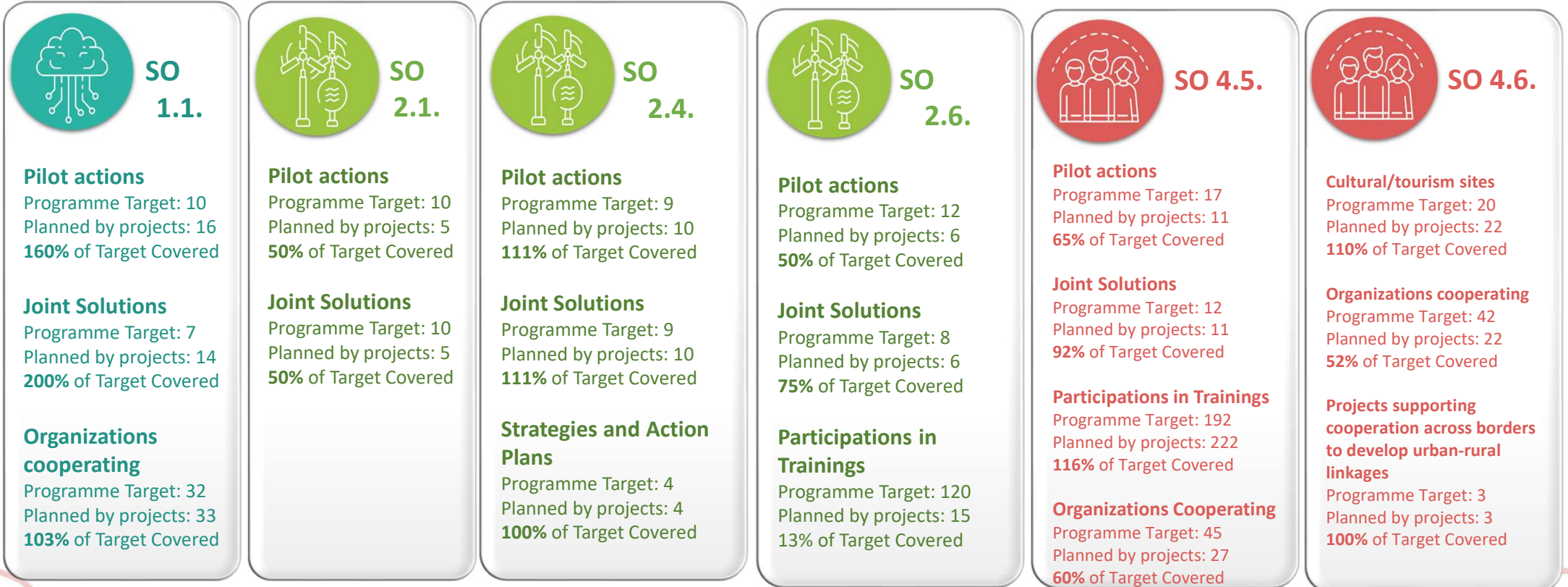


Programme Financial Performance

Specific Objective	Programme Allocation (excluding TA)	Contracted Funds (1st CfP& OSI)	Commitment Rate (%)	Certified and paid to beneficiaries	Absorption Rate (%) on Programme level
SO1.1.	15.929.412,07	12.802.125,22 €	80,37	2.984.045,86 €	18,73
SO1.3.	11.764.706,11	11.764.705,89 €	100,00	2.729.080,75 €	23,20
SO2.1.	13.532.352,95	7.750.534,76 €	57,27	701.099,87 €	5,18
SO2.4.	25.888.235,32	25.946.469,85 €	100,22	2.654.172,69 €	10,25
SO2.6.	14.708.823,54	7.707.887,99 €	52,40	2.188.987,52 €	14,88
SO4.5.	24.786.706,52	20.062.810,23 €	80,94	3.795.649,43 €	15,31
SO4.6.	19.256.823,64	9.075.047,52 €	47,13	644.292,24 €	3,35
TOTAL	125.867.060,15	95.109.581,46	75,56	15.697.328,36	12,47

- The Programme has already met and exceeded the N+3 target for 2026 (EUR 9.811.450,00 of EU funds), therefore there is no risk of automatic decommitment of funds
- The cumulative decommitment target for the end of 2027 is EUR 30.463.985,00.

Programme Output Indicators Status*



*In 2021-2027 Output Indicators achievement can be counted and reported to the EC only after the operation (project) is finalized. Therefore, the Programme still has **no achieved output indicator values to report to the EC**. Nevertheless, the projects are progressing well towards their planned output indicator target values and no outputs are jeopardized at this moment.

Please note that the current status includes only contracted projects under the First Call and OSIs. As the Second Call is still in the contracting phase, related outputs are not yet reflected. Once contracted, the remaining indicators are expected to be achieved in full.

Programme Result Indicators Status



SO
1.1.

Solutions taken-up

Programme Target: 4
Planned by projects: 11
275% of Target Covered

Organizations cooperating after completion

Programme Target: 16
Planned by projects: 33
206% of Target Covered



SO
2.1.

Solutions taken-up

Programme Target: 5
Planned by projects: 5
100% of Target Covered



SO
2.4.

Solutions taken-up

Programme Target: 5
Planned by projects: 9
180% of Target Covered

Strategies taken-up

Programme Target: 2
Planned by projects: 4
200% of Target Covered



SO
2.6.

Completions of trainings

Programme Target: 84
Planned by projects: 76
90% of Target Covered

Solutions taken-up

Programme Target: 5
Planned by projects: 9
180% of Target Covered



SO 4.5.

Solutions taken-up

Programme Target: 6
Planned by projects: 10
167% of Target Covered

Completions of trainings

Programme Target: 153
Planned by projects: 222
145% of Target Covered

Organizations cooperating after completion

Programme Target: 14
Planned by projects: 22
157% of Target Covered



SO 4.6.

Visitors to cultural/tourism sites

Programme Target: 40.000
Planned by projects: 356.300
890% of Target Covered

Organizations cooperating after completion

Programme Target: 21
Planned by projects: 22
105% of Target Covered



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- Following approval: optimisation of applications, contracting of selected projects under the 2nd CfP and calculation of potential savings for additional contracting from the reserve list
- Start of implementation of 2nd CfP projects and payment of advance and preparation costs by the Accounting Body
- Implementation workshops for 2nd CfP beneficiaries (July/September 2026)
- Start of implementation of small projects under SPF 2nd CfP (June 2026)
- Ongoing implementation of 1st CfP projects, with several projects expected to finalise by mid-2026, contributing to the progressive achievement of Programme indicators.
- On-the-spot checks and monitoring visits of 1st CfP projects
- Programme data transmissions to the European Commission (April/July/October 2026)
- Planned modification of the Interreg Programme (reallocation between Priority Axes/Specific Objectives and alignment of over-/under-achieved indicators and intervention fields)
- Operational evaluation ongoing, with completion expected by the end of 2026;
- Audits: system audit (KR4, KR5 and KR6) and regular audits of operations
- First progress reports under the 2nd CfP expected in Q4 2026
- Interreg Cooperation Day (September/October 2026) and National Control networking meeting (September 2026)
- Initiation of programming activities for the 2028–2034 period

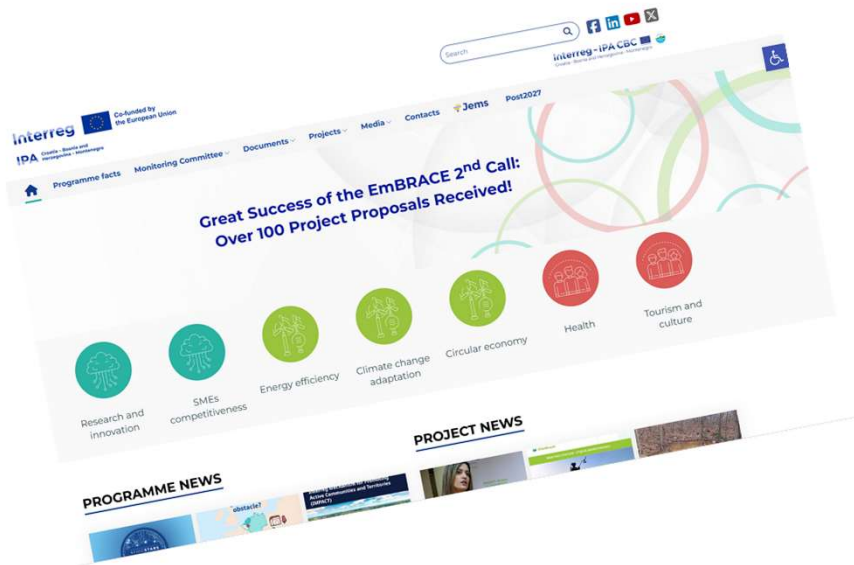
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35 YEARS

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Managing Authority and Joint Secretariat
Government Administration - Zagreb · 264 followers · 11-50 employees

Overview
The Programme will support cooperation projects with EUR 106,987,000.00 which are available from the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the IPA III Fund. The new Programme represents the continuation of the successful cooperation of the three countries in 2014-2020.

Services
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171 osoba koja prati
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INNOVATIVE MARINE ROBOT ACQUIRED
As part of the MARROBO project the Municipality of Neum and the University of Dubrovnik have completed a key phase of activities aimed at strengthening marine robotics capacities.
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Thank you for your attention!

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