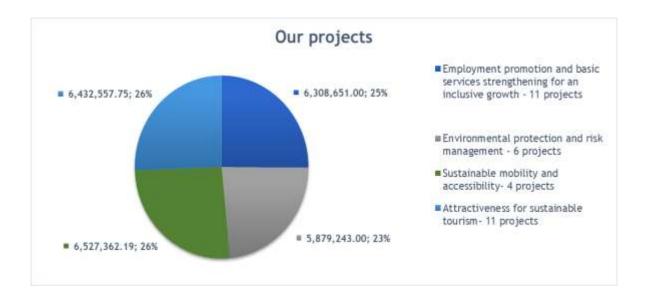


CITIZEN'S SUMMARY of the Annual Implementation Report for 2017 regarding the Interreg-IPA CBC Romania-Serbia Programme

Programme implementation status in 2017:

- The first Call for Proposals, which included the call of proposal for strategic projects, was launched on September 15, 2015, and the budget allocated to this call was 27.9 million Euro IPA funds, plus 22.5 million. euro IPA funds, the budget allocated to strategic project proposals.
- On 2017, 31 projects and 2 strategic projects amounting to approximately 46.4m euros (IPA funds) have been contracted and are under implementation.
- The second Call for Proposals was launched on 27 November 2017 and the deadline for submitting project proposals was 24.04.2018. The allocated budget is 20.2 million euro (IPA funds).

These projects are dedicated to modernization of road infrastructure and transport safety measures, promotion of natural and cultural heritage (including tourism), environment protection and risk management, increasing of labour mobility and development of sustainable services, promoting the social inclusion for marginalized groups.



Contribution to Programme indicators!

Following the contracting of projects financed under the first call for project proposals and the strategic call for project proposals it is estimated that out of the 24 Programme specific output indicators 14 will be achieved or exceeded. This allowed a more targeted second call for proposals, the projects to be submitted being better scored for their positive contribution to the Programme specific output indicators that are estimated not to be achieved following the implementation of the already contracted projects. The 6 months of project implementation already showed a significant positive contribution to the Programme specific output indicators, for some of them (e.g: Number of participants in projects promoting gender equality, equal opportunities and social inclusion across borders and Citizens involved in project activities in cultural, social health care services) the target values being exceeded.

Who benefits?

The entire population within the eligible area of the programme, all counties and districts are already benefiting of the tangible results of our projects.

Keep an eye on us, this is just the beginning!

The Programme is very active on promoting its results and projects. So, for each project under implementation, a short fact sheet presentation is available on the Programme website. The page is permanently updated with new information on the project status implementation. We are inviting you to check all our projects on <u>romania-serbia.net</u>.

Also, you can find more information about our programme on official facebook page: www.facebook.com.