

# **INTERREG VI-A IPA GREECE – ALBANIA 2021-2027 CBC Programme**

Info days on 1<sup>st</sup> Call for Project Proposals – Common Projects  
March 2024

**Interreg VI-A IPA CBC ‘Greece-Albania 2021-2027’ Programme  
CCI: 2021TC16IPCB010  
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## New Programme > New eligible area - ENLARGEMENT



COUNTRY	REGIONS / REGIONAL UNITS
Greece	EL 533 FLORINA
	EL 531 GREVENA
	EL532 KASTORIA
	EL 543 IOANNINA
	EL 541 ARTA
	EL 541 PREVEZA
	EL 542 THESPROTIA
	EL 622 KERKYRA
	EL 624 LEFKADA
	EL 623 KEFALLINIA, ITHAKI
EL 621 ZAKYNTHOS	
	<b>EL 531 KOZANI</b> <b>NEW</b>
Albania	AL 035 VLORE
	AL 033 GJIROKASTER
	AL 031 BERAT
	AL034 KORCE
	<b>AL 032 FIER</b> <b>NEW</b>



## The Greece – Albania Programme in a nutshell

### Programme budget and co-financing rate

**Greece-Albania budget** incl. national contribution:

€ 33.312.503,00

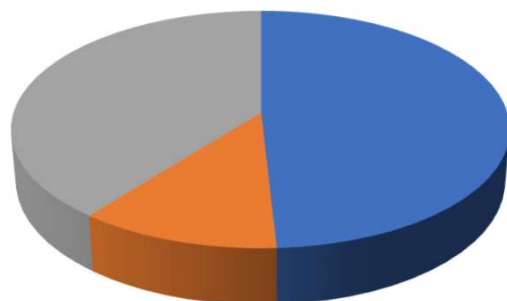
Available **EU funds**: € 26.650.000,00

Available **NATIONAL funds**: € 6.662.503,00

Available **Technical Assistance funds**:

**10% of Total Budget**

EU co-financing rate: **80%**



- Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions- 16,35M€
- P2 - Improving accessibility in the cross-border area 3,8M€
- P3 - Fostering sustainable cross-border economic and social development 13,12M€

### Management of GR-AL Programme

**MA/JS:** Thessaloniki, Greece

**Antenna Office:**

Korce, Albania

**National Authorities:**

State Agency for Strategic Programming and Aid Coordination (SASPAC), Tirana  
Special Secretariat of ERDF & CF Programmes, Athens

**CA, AA/ GoA:** Athens, Greece

### Programme language

The **official language** of the Programme:  
**English**



## Programme Priorities

### PRIORITY 1

Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions



### PRIORITY 2

Improving accessibility in the cross-border area



### PRIORITY 3

Fostering sustainable cross-border economic and social development





**Priority 1 – Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions**

€ 16,35 M.

**POLICY OBJECTIVE 02**  
a greener, low carbon transitioning towards a net zero carbon economy

**PRIORITY 1**

**Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions**



**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**

**RSO2.4.**

Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience taking into account eco-system based approaches

**RSO2.5.**

Promoting access to water and sustainable water management

**RSO2.6.**

Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy

**R.SO2.7.**

Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution

**Priority 1 – Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions (see pages 32-33 & 43-44 of OP)**

**Indicative actions (non-exhaustive list)**

**RSO 2.4.**

- **Joint actions** and development of **strategies** for supporting adaptation to **climate change** and *preventing natural risks*.
- **Investments** in the development of mechanisms and tools for the prevention and management of **climate related risks**, e.g. fires, storms, drought.
- Measures for the enhancement of cross-border **civil protection** policies and **disaster management** systems and infrastructures.
- Development of **prevention measures**, including joint management of cross-border forests, rivers, coastal zones.

**RSO 2.5.**

- Development of **joint solutions** in cross-border rural areas, as well as the Ionian Islands for the improvement of **water management** and efficient **water utilities** coverage for local communities.
- **Efficient use of water** resources by citizens, throughout the whole water cycle by promoting **water saving** and **reuse, water-efficient technologies** in all sectors, as well as by supporting ecosystem-based measures.
- Introduction of **smart technologies** to increase **resource efficiency** in the water sector and development of cross-border monitoring systems for controlling water supply networks.

**Priority 1 – Supporting transition to greener and more resilient cross-border regions (consult pages 54-55 , 66 & 118 of OP)**

**Indicative actions (non-exhaustive list)**

**RSO 2.6.**

- Joint knowledge development and planning of **circular economy solutions**
- Building cross-border **cooperation networks** aimed at **waste re-use**.
- **Investment** in the development and testing of **solutions** for the separate sorting, storage and treatment of **hazardous waste and bio-waste**.
- Support the **promotion** of the use of **recycled materials** as raw materials compliant with the efficiency criteria, compliant with climate change adaptation.

**RSO 2.7.**

- **Investments** for the protection and enhancement of **natural capital**, ecosystems and biodiversity.
- Measures for **monitoring** of biodiversity, genetic sources and protected ecosystems.
- **Investments** for the promotion of **green infrastructure** mainly in urban areas (green streets, green walls and roofs, accessibility in nature, reducing flood risks and storm-water management, cisterns and rain barrels, etc.) and the **rehabilitation** of areas in **industrial transition**.

**Indicative actions for small projects**

- **Small-scale interventions** for the preservation of nature and biodiversity (green interventions in urban areas such as tree alleys, green pavements, etc.)
- Raising **awareness activities** for reducing all forms of pollution (campaigns, exchanges)



## Priority 2 – Improving accessibility in the cross-border area

€ 3,83 M.

**POLICY OBJECTIVE 03**  
a more **connected**  
Europe by  
enhancing mobility



### **PRIORITY 2** Improving accessibility in the cross- border area



### SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES



R.S.O. 3.2. Developing and enhancing sustainable, climate resilient, intelligent and intermodal national, regional and local mobility, including improved access to TEN-T and cross-border mobility



## Priority 2 – Improving accessibility in the cross-border area (consult page 78 of the OP)

### Indicative actions (non-exhaustive list) RSO 3.2.

- **Reconstruction** of rural and suburban **roads** in the cross-border area (rebuilding, resurfacing, realignment etc.).
- Investments in **road safety measures** in cross-border urban and rural networks, for improving cross-border mobility and reducing accidents rates.
- **Measures to manage safety risks** created in the cross-border road network due to weather conditions and the special geomorphological characteristics of the cross-border area
- Investments for the **modernization** of the **road network** in the cross-border area, with an emphasis on reduction of black spots
- Realization of **cycling/walking paths** to safeguard the safety of weak users

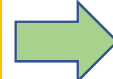
>>> **Priority 3 – Fostering sustainable cross-border economic and social development**

€ 13,12M.



**PRIORITY 3**  
Fostering  
sustainable  
**cross-border**  
economic and  
**social**  
development

**SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES**



- RSO4.5.**  
Ensuring equal access to health care and fostering resilience of health systems, including primary care, and promoting the transition from institutional to family- and community-based care
- RSO4.6.**  
Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation

## Priority 3 – Fostering sustainable cross-border economic and social development (consult pages 89 ,100 & 118 of OP)

### Indicative actions (non-exhaustive list)

#### RSO 4.5.

- Support of the **digitalization in healthcare**, including the supply of new and improved **equipment** for supporting **telemedicine services**, with a focus on remote and sparsely populated communities of the cross-border area..
- Investments in modernization and supply of **medical equipment** of **healthcare facilities** (including laboratories) with a focus on remote and sparsely populated areas of the cross-border regions.
- Elaboration of **joint working procedures** and **joint strategies** for tackling cross-border **medical threats**, for **mapping health care services and needs** in the cross-border area and promotion of deinstitutionalisation

#### RSO 4.6.

- Preservation and promotion of **cultural heritage, protection and reconstruction** of fortresses, museums, archaeological/cultural sites.
- Enhancement and promotion of **cultural and creative industry** (capacity building, training, promotion of cultural services e.t.c.).
- Support to **diversification of the tourism** by investing in lesser-known destinations and diverse forms of tourism (cultural, rural, agro-tourism, sport, health/medical tourism).
- **Indicative actions for small projects**
- Soft actions for the **promotion of cultural sites** (digitalization of cultural information for promotion, events, etc.)
- Organization of **joint initiatives** (cultural events, exhibitions, workshops, campaigns) for the promotion of cultural and touristic sites in the cross-border area
- **Networking activities** of cultural and creative industry of the cross-border area.



# 1 Open Call for Common Projects

P1/RSO2.4. Promoting climate change adaptation and disaster risk prevention, resilience taking into account ecosystem-based approaches	<b>2.998.123,88€</b> (Total without TA)
P1/ RSO2.5. Promoting access to water and sustainable water management	<b>2.998.125,00€</b> (Total without TA)
P1/ RSO 2.7 - Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution.	<b>1.562.188,62€</b> (Total without TA)
P2/RSO3.2. Developing and enhancing sustainable, climate resilient, intelligent and intermodal national, regional and local mobility, including improved access to TEN-T and cross-border mobility	<b>3.448.125,00€</b> (Total without TA)
P3/ RSO 4.5- Ensuring equal access to health care and fostering resilience of health systems, including primary care, and promoting the transition from institutional to family- and community-based care	<b>2.998.125,00€</b> (Total without TA)
P3/ RSO 4.6 - Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation	<b>3.314.375,00€</b> (Total without TA)

**Launched / February 2024**

## 4 Targeted Calls for Strategic Projects

STRATEGIC PROJECTS	<p><b>P1/ R.S.O 2.7</b> Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution</p> <p><b>One strategic project in the field of "Smart Cities"</b></p>	<p>up to 1.800.000€ (Total without TA)</p>
	<p><b>P1/ R.S.O. 2.6</b> Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy</p> <p><b>One strategic project in the field of "Circular Economy Park"</b></p>	<p>up to 4.362.187,50€ (Total without TA)</p>
	<p><b>P1/ R.S.O. 2.6</b> Promoting the transition to a circular and resource efficient economy</p> <p><b>One Strategic Project in the field of "Introducing digital tools for monitoring waste management in urban areas"</b></p>	
	<p><b>P3/ R. S.O 4.6</b> Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation</p> <p><b>One strategic project in the field of "Thematic Touristic Routes"</b></p>	<p>Apr. 3.500.000,00 € (Total without TA)</p>



**Estimated Date of Launch**

**May 2024**

# 1 Call for Small Scale Projects



<b>SMALL SCALE PROJECTS</b>	P1/ RSO2.7. Enhancing protection and preservation of nature, biodiversity and green infrastructure, including in urban areas, and reducing all forms of pollution	1.000.000,00 € (Total without TA)
	PP3/ RSO4.6. Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation	Up to 2.000.000,00 € (Total without TA)

**Estimated Date of Launch**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2024**

**Thank you for your attention**

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