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1. Identification

IPA PROGRAMME	Objective concerned: IPA Cross-border Cooperation
	Eligible area concerned: for Bulgaria - Blagoevgrad and Kyustendil districts (NUTS III) and for the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia - North-East, East and South-East NUTS III statistical regions
	Programming period: 2007 – 2013 (financial plan 2007-2011)
	Programme number (CCI No): 2007CB16IPO007
	Programme title: Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme
ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION REPORT	Reporting year: 2010
	Date of approval of the annual report by the Joint Monitoring Committee: June 2011

1.1. Introduction

The overall objective of the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme is achievement of economic, social, cultural and ecological sustainability in the cross-border region, thus ensuring integration into the wider European cooperation.

The global objective of the regional co-operation across sectors and administrative units that has to be reached by the definition of the Programme is: “Sustainable Development in the Border Region in Support of the Wider European Cooperation and Integration Efforts”.



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In order to increase the efficiency of the interventions, the Programme intends to concentrate the funds on a limited number of strategically selected specific objectives with promising growth potentials and opportunities for development:

Specific objective No. 1:

To foster the sustainable economic growth in the cross-border region.

Diversification of the current economic activities, support for the region to evolve into an economically strong region with high standard of living; development of new value chains; stimulus for research and development cooperation; clustering and business-support services; support to new technologies and innovations.

Specific objective No. 2:

To promote social cohesion and cross-border cooperation.

Investment in human resource development; people to people actions; labour market initiatives; cultural exchanges; support for raising the adaptability of the labour force to the market demands; cross-border networks at all levels and sectors of activity, incl. support for preparation of mutually benefiting project proposals.

Specific objective No. 3:

To further develop the attractiveness and quality of life in the cross-border area.

Balanced regional development based on protection and wise use of natural and cultural resources in the region; preservation of the ecological and cultural diversity; support for development of tourism based on the adequate and reasonable exploitation of the existing environmental and cultural assets in the target area.

2. Overview of the implementation of the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme

2.1. Achievement and analysis of the progress

- **Background information:**

The current report is the third annual implementation report for the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-Border Programme, CCI Number 2007CB16IPO007. The reporting period is covering the



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period from 1st January 2010 till 31st December 2010. The Annual implementation report 2010 is drawn up following the requirements under Article 112 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2006.

The Managing Authority for the Programme is the Bulgarian Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works having as counterpart the Ministry of Local Self-government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, the National Authority (NA).

- **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

During the reported period (on 19 January 2010) a joint technical meeting on Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA CBC Programme was held at the premises of the MRDPW in Sofia. Representatives from the Managing and National Authorities and Secretariat for European Affairs of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia together with Mrs. Natalie Veschele - Directorate General "Regional policy" at the European Commission, took part in the technical meeting. After the initiated procedure for consultation and discussions between representatives of the two partnering countries, the MoU was in the final stage of the conciliation procedure. Signing of the Bilateral Memorandum of Understanding between the two partnering countries and upcoming Compliance assessment on Description of management and control systems of the Programme were discussed on the meeting.

MoU was signed on 31 of August 2010 at the premises of MRDPW by Mr. Rosen Plevneliev - Minister of RDPW of the Republic of Bulgaria and Mr. Musa Xhaferri - Minister of Local self-government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

The document signed, lays down the general rules for the implementation and financial management of the Programme as well as defines the bodies involved in the management and control and allocation of functions (responsibilities and rights) of the bodies involved into the implementation of the Programme.

- **Description of the management and control systems**

During the reporting period the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works in its capacity of Managing Authority has submitted to Directorate General "Regional Policy" of the European Commission a description of the management and control systems for the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA CBC



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Programme, CCI 2007CB16IPO007, in accordance with Article 115 and 116 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2007, together with a report and opinion by the Audit Authority - the Audit of European Union Funds Implementing Agency of the Republic of Bulgaria, in compliance with Article 101 to 105 of the Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2007. The document prepared covering in particular the organisation and procedures of the Managing and Certifying Authorities and other bodies involved in the implementation process, as well as the Audit Authority.

The Description of the management and control systems is covering in particular the organisation and procedures of the managing and certifying authorities and other bodies involved in the implementation process, as well as the organisation and procedures of audit authority and any other bodies carrying out audits under its responsibility as referred to in Article 102 of Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2007.

Following the recommendations and comments given by the Commission, the MA has provided the requested additional information to the DG Regional Policy on 3rd December 2010 and later in December 2010, with letter ref No DG REGIO E1 D(2010) DG Regional Policy of European Commission informed the MA that on the basis of examination carried out by the Commission under Article 119, considers the compliance assessment documents submitted by the MA to be acceptable and it is therefore satisfied that the management and control system set up for the Programme referred and comply to the provisions of Commission Regulation (EC) No 718/2007.

- **Programme Implementation Manual**

Programme Implementation Manual (and its annexes and appendixes) describes in detail the specific rules and procedures for implementation of the Programme. The document was developed within the reporting period by the MA, NA and JTS and its first version was approved by the Head of MA in July 2010 (version 1). During the compliance audit some improvements have been made and a revised version of the Manual has been approved in September 2010 (version 2).

- **Project Implementation Manual**



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Project Implementation Manual (and its annexes), describes in detail the specific rules and procedures for implementation of the projects funded under the 1st Call for proposals of the IPA Cross-border programme between Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The document was developed within the reporting period by the MA, NA and JTS and it was approved by the Head of MA in October 2010 (version 1).

At present, the MA in coordination with NA and JTS updated and improved the approved Project Implementation Manual (version 1) and the revised Manual was approved by the Head of MA on 11th May 2011 and currently it is available at Programme's web-page:

<http://www.ipa-cbc-007.eu/en/page.php?c=8&d=218>

- **First Call for Proposals**

1. First stage: Launching the Call and submission of project proposals:

As mentioned in the previous Annual report, the 1st Call for Proposals has been launched on 14th September 2009 and the deadline for receiving project proposals was 14th December 2009, 16:00 local time.

Ninety three (93) project proposals have been received within the deadline and one (1) project after the deadline. From the submitted proposals within the deadline, sixty four (64) proposals have been submitted with Bulgarian Lead partner and twenty nine (29) with Lead partner from the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

2. Second stage: Assessment process:

Preliminary session and Opening of project proposals

The Assessment Working Group (AWG) for administrative compliance and eligibility check was assigned with an administrative Order No PD-02-14-1195/06.07.2010, issued by the Head of MA. The Opening session of the AWG, concerning the preliminary stage of the assessment process was held on 7th July 2010 at the premises of the Joint Technical Secretariat (JTS) in Kyustendil.

During the preliminary session it was found that all project proposals' packages were in good physical condition, sealed, not damaged and with preserved overall integrity and marking. The project proposals



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were opened in the order of their receiving in the main JTS office and in the Antennae office. After opening of each package the applicant's name was announced and an unique sequential number was given. The respective number was written on the first page of the respective Application form and that first page was signed by the Chairperson and Secretary of the AWG on the original Application Form, on the copy of the application, as well as the electronic version of the **93 Applications** received within the deadline.

Every project proposal was numbered - from 01 to 93. The project proposal No 94 submitted after the deadline was not opened by the AWG.

Administrative compliance check

Assessment Working Group performed administrative review of 93 proposals held in three sessions, respectively on 08th July 2010, on 13th September and on 30th September 2010.

On the basis of the results of the administrative check carried out by AWG, **82 (eighty two)** applications were in compliance with the administrative criteria set up in the Applicant's Guide therefore were proceeded for eligibility verification. Based on the administrative check, the Assessment working Group recommended **11 (eleven)** applications to be excluded for further assessment.

Eligibility compliance check

Assessment Working Group performed Eligibility verification check of **82 (eighty two)** proposals held in two sessions, respectively on 14th September and on 01st October 2010.

Based on the eligibility verification, AWG stated that all **82 (eighty two)** applications were in compliance with eligibility criteria, set out in the Applicant's Guide and were recommended for technical assessment.

The table below indicates the applications submitted per priority axes and area of intervention and the numbers of the proposals that passed the relevant checks:

Distribution of projects by priority axis and spheres of intervention			Projects received (number)	Projects in compliance with the administrative and eligibility requirements (number)	Amount of projects in compliance with the administrative and eligibility requirements
Priority Axis 1 Economic development	1.1 Economic development	Soft	19	18	1 843 068,58
		Investment + Soft	9	6	1 942 976,26



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	1.2 Social cohesion	Soft	12	11	992 954,20
		Investment + Soft	3	3	883 518,31
	1.3 Project preparation	Soft	5	5	248 151,80
Priority Axis 2 Improvement the quality of life	2.1 Utilization of eco resources	Soft	8	7	537 399,68
		Investment + Soft	8	4	1 143 276,27
	2.2 Utilization of cultural resources	Soft	17	17	1 563 163,21
		Investment + Soft	12	11	3 172 065,01
Total			93	82	12 326 573,32

Technical and Quality Assessment

Not applicable for this period – the technical and quality assessment was held in first quarter of 2011. It will be described in details in the next Annual report for the year 2011.

- **Information on the physical progress of the Programme**

The table below presents the result indicators which will be used to monitor the progress at programme level. Having in mind that there are not concluded contracts yet, these are reported as zero (0). The achievements on programme level will be reported as soon as projects are implemented.

The table includes newly established baselines*, which have been calculated on the basis of the elaborated Methodology of Programme output and result indicators assessment.

The baselines have been established as an average of the indicators value for the past 5 years. Baseline data are gathered primarily from the information of cross-border activities between Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, financially supported by PHARE / CARDS Programme from European Community over the period 2004 – 2006.

The output and result indicators have been collected and systemized in details by the MA in order the achievements of the Programme implementation to be properly measured.



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The MA developed the Methodology of Programme output and result indicators assessment and to presented it to potential beneficiaries for information. It is aiming more precisely defining of the indicators to be included in the Application form of the applicants under the second Call for proposals. In that connection the MA has published at the Programme's web-page the Methodology of Programme output and result indicators:

<http://www.ipa-cbc-007.eu/en/page.php?c=19>

Programme Result Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
<i>Joint information services established</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	2										
	Baseline*	8										
<i>Increased cross-border movement of people and exchange of goods and services in the region</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	1.5%										
	Baseline*	46										
<i>New Social Economic enterprises created</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	2										
	Baseline*	20										
<i>Improved environment for development of relationships across the border</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	3%										
	Baseline*	18										
<i>Projects actually applied</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	3%										
	Baseline*	1										
<i>Decreased pollution in the region</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	2%										
	Baseline*	1										
<i>Awareness –raising on environmental protection</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	2.5%										
	Baseline*	32										
<i>Increased attractiveness of the region based on preservation of natural resources and cultural heritage</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							
	Target 2016	2%										
	Baseline*	8										
<i>Increased common cultural capital</i>	Achievement	0	0	0	0							



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	Target 2016	2%
	Baseline*	37

- **Financial information (All financial data should be expressed in euro)**

Financing Agreements between the Government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and the Commission of the European Communities concerning the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme were signed on 13th October 2008 and on 2nd February 2011 respectively.

The total value of the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme for the period 2007 - 2011 is € 14,277,857, out of which € 12,136,178 - European funding and € 2,141,679 - national co-financing from state budgets of both partnering countries.

The division of financial support between priorities 2007-2011 is shown in the table below:

Priority	Community Funding	National Public funding	Total funding	Co-financing rate (%)
	(a)	(b)	c=a+b	a/c*100:b/c*100
Priority Axis 1 Economic development and social cohesion	4 854 471	856 672	5 711 143	85:15
Priority Axis 2 Improvement the quality of life	6 068 089	1 070 839	7 138 928	85:15
Priority Axis 3 - Technical Assistance	1 213 618	214 168	1 427 786	85:15
Total	12 136 178	2 141 679	14 277 857	85:15

Financial information – 2010

According to the Commission Regulation (EC) 718/2007 the pre-financing payment by the EC could be performed after MA's receipt of the positive opinion on its Description of the management and control systems. In order to ensure smooth implementation of the Programme (organization of technical meetings, JMC meetings, information campaigns, publicity etc.), the MA ensured financial allocation from the Bulgarian national budget in order to pre-finance the expenditure under priority axis 3 Technical Assistance.

In December 2010 European Commission issued the letter with positive assessment on the Description of management and control systems on Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border



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Programme. Obtained positive assessment is a guarantee that the established management and control system by the MA are reliable enough for effective utilization and management of EU funds.

93 project proposals at the amount of € 14.8 million were submitted under the 1st Call for project proposals on Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme. On the basis of the results of the administrative check carried out in the period September – October 2010, 82 (eighty two) applications with total amount of € 12.3 million, were in compliance with the administrative criteria set up in the Applicant's Guide.

- **Information about the breakdown of use of the Funds**

During the year 2010, no expenditures were made from the budget of the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-Border Programme under Priority Axis 1 and Priority Axis 2. Under the Priority Axis 3 - Technical Assistance some expenditures have been performed, information for which is provided below:

Priority axes by source of funding (EUR)

	Expenditure paid out by the beneficiaries included in payment claims sent to the managing authority	Corresponding public contribution	Private expenditure	Expenditure paid by the body responsible for making payments to the beneficiaries	Total payments received from the Commission
PRIORITY AXIS 1	0	0	0	0	0
PRIORITY AXIS 2	0	0	0	0	0
PRIORITY AXIS 3	51 648.33	0	0	51 648.33*	0
BL1 - ADMINISTRATING COSTS					
Staff remuneration: • JTS in Kyustendil - head, communication officer and 2 project managers • Branch office Strumica - 2 project managers (for the period 2009-2010)	43 320.73	0	0	43 320.73	0
Overheads (JTS office in Kyustendil)	2 049.37			2 049.37	
Consumables	274.74			274.74	



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	Expenditure paid out by the beneficiaries included in payment claims sent to the managing authority	Corresponding public contribution	Private expenditure	Expenditure paid by the body responsible for making payments to the beneficiaries	Total payments received from the Commission
<u>BL2 - TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION</u>					
Travel costs	738.44	0	0	738.44	0
Daily allowances (including expenditure for the period 2009-2010 of the branch office Strumica)	1 137.03	0	0	1 137.03	0
Accommodation costs	1 260.07	0	0	1 260.07	0
<u>BL3 - MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, EVENTS etc.</u>					
	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
<u>BL4 - INFORMATION AND PUBLICITY</u>					
	0.00	0	0	0.00	0
<u>BL5 - EXTERNAL EXPERTISE</u>					
Other	521.53	0	0	521.53	0
<u>BL6 - SUPPLY OF OFFICE EQUIPMENT</u>					
IT equipment	2 193.03	0	0	2 193.03	0
<u>BL7 - OTHER</u>					
Reserve for unexpected	153.39	0	0	153.39	0
GRAND TOTAL	51 648.33		0	51 648.33	0

**All the activities under TA are pre-financed from the BG state budget – 34 136.98 euro and from the state budget of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.- 17 511.35 euro. 85% of the total expenditures (43 901.08 euro) are expected to be reimbursed by the EC after verification and certification of expenditures.*

- **Assistance by target groups**

Not applicable

- **Assistance repaid or re-used**

Not applicable

- **Qualitative analysis**

Not applicable



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2.2. Information about compliance with Community law

The Programme has been prepared in accordance with Community Strategic Guidelines 2007 – 2013 priorities – especially in the area of improving of the attractiveness of the cross-border region and further developing of the human resources.

The Programme is compliant with the main EU strategic documents, notably with the Lisbon and Gothenburg strategies, targeting sustainable development, equal opportunities and cross-border partnership.

The overall strategic goal and the priority axes of the Programme are fully compliant with main Bulgarian and Macedonian national strategies and programmes which are indicated in the Programme.

2.3. Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

According to the art.128, paragraph (1) of Commission Regulation No 718/12.07.2007, Managing Authority could receive pre-financing payment after obtaining the positive opinion on its Description of the management and control systems. This restriction caused serious problem in terms of ensuring of national financing for establishment of the joint programme structures (such as the Joint Technical Secretariat), logistic of the programme etc. Nevertheless at the end of 2010 (December 2010) European Commission gave a positive assessment on the Description of management and control systems on Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme, which means that the rules and procedures set up by the Managing Authority of the Programme are reliable enough for effective utilization and management of EU funds.

2.4. Changes in the context of the Programme implementation (if relevant)

As mentioned in the previous Annual report, in December 2007 the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia issued a governmental act concerning a new administrative division of the country. According to the Ordinance for Approval of Nomenclature of Territorial Units – NUTS (Official Gazette of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, ed.158, dated 28th December 2007), two municipalities – Lozovo and Sveti Nikole are excluded from the eligible border region.

The official approval of the submitted amendments of the Programme has been taken during the conducted



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19th meeting of the IPA Management Committee (25th February 2010). Within the signed minutes is written that “Commission Decision amending Decision C(2007)6298 adopting the Programme "Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme" for Community assistance from the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance for the Cross-border Co-operation component between Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” and “Further to the discussion reported above, the Committee gave a unanimous positive opinion on the proposed Commission Decisions amending the ten Cross-border cooperation programmes between Member States and IPA beneficiary countries”.

Based on the above decision, on 26th November 2010 it was initiated written procedure for revisions of the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme. The amendments of the Programme document were approved by JMC on 22nd December 2010.

2.5. Complementarity with other instruments

The complementarity of the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme with other instruments has been thoroughly analysed already in the programming phase and it is discussed in detail in Chapter 7 of the Operational Programme Document.

Complementarity with other financial instruments will be ensured through mechanisms foreseen in the programming document. The coordination of the Programme with other plans / programmes financial instruments will be done by the national coordination structures in both participating countries.

The representatives of national coordination structures participate in JMC sessions. Representatives from ministries managing sectoral programmes also participate as observers in JMC sessions ensuring coordination and avoiding overlapping. Another useful tool for this purpose is the Management Information System of the Programme.

2.6. Monitoring arrangements

Monitoring of the Programme shall ensure the quality of its implementation. The development and implementation of the monitoring system of the Programme is a responsibility of the Managing Authority. The Managing Authority and the Joint Monitoring Committee are responsible for monitoring the Programme



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implementation in accordance with the principle of sound financial management. The Joint Monitoring Committee observes the monitoring of the Programme implementation and ensures the achievement of the Programme objectives through a rational use of the allocated resources.

Managing Authority

Directorate General “Territorial Cooperation Management” appointed as Managing Authority (MA) for Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme is a part of the specialized administration at the Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works in Bulgaria. Within the Directorate General, “Monitoring, Evaluation and Risk Management” Department is responsible for performance of monitoring at programme level, while monitoring at project level will be implemented by the JTS and its branch office.

Joint Monitoring Committee

The Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) consists of representatives appointed by the respective two participating countries according to the partnership principle. The JMC meets minimum twice a year at the initiative of the participating countries or of the Commission and it is co-chaired by the MA and the NA. Representative/s of the European Commission, CA and AA or other relevant bodies participates in the work of the JMC in an advisory capacity.

In accordance with the article 7 of the “Rules of procedures of the JMC”, during the reported period the following two written procedures were carried out:

- on 18th of May 2010 it was initiated written procedure for approval of the Annual implementation report of the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Cross-Border Programme for 2009, the financial report for the disbursed resources under Priority Axis 3 - Technical assistance for 2009 year and provisional budget breakdown of the financial resources under Priority Axis 3 - Technical assistance for 2010 year;

The Annual implementation report of the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Cross-Border Programme for 2009 was approved on the 9th August 2010 from European Commission.

- on 26th of November 2010 it was initialled written procedure for revisions of the Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme, Rules of Procedures of the JMC,



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Communication plan and approval of the Annual work plan of the JTS for 2010. The above mentioned documents were approved in December 2010 (JMC Decision dated 22 December 2010).

Joint Technical Secretariat

The Joint Technical Secretariat (JTS) for Bulgaria–the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross border Programme is located in Kyustednil, Bulgaria. JTS has a branch office placed in Strumica, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. The JTS assists the MA and the Joint Monitoring Committee (JMC) of the Programme and assists where appropriate the Certifying Authority (CA) and Audit Authority (AA) in carrying out their respective duties. The JTS also is in particular responsible for:

- Supporting projects generation and development;
- Advising beneficiaries on the implementation of operations;
- Monitoring of project implementation and collecting of information from the lead beneficiaries;
- Collecting and checking project reports from the lead partners before submitting to the MA;
- Receiving requests from the lead beneficiaries on any modifications as well as preparation of addendums to projects and submitting them to MA or JMC respectively for approval;
- Collaboration with central, regional and local stakeholders involved in the IPA Cross-border Programme.

The Head of JTS and the experts in JTS main office have been selected as a result of competition procedure, held in the end of 2009 and in the beginning of 2010. The labor contracts (in compliance with Bulgarian legislation and Council of Ministries Decree (CMD) No 214, dated on 27th August 2009) have been signed with the selected candidates. As a result of the conducted procedures for selection of experts in the JTS branch office (selected by NA in coordination with MA), two experts were appointed at the branch office, and service contracts (in compliance with legislation of partnering country) have been signed. The Communication officer was selected in 2009 by NA in coordination with MA and in April 2010 a contract was signed with the selected officer.

During the reporting period, the JTS was fully operational and staffed – Head of JTS, Communication Officer and two JTS experts in the main office in Kyustendil and two JTS experts in the antenna office in Strumica.



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Technical meetings between representatives of Managing Authority and National Authority

During the reported period the following technical meetings have been conducted:

- On 19 January 2010 in MRDPW – Sofia - a technical meeting attended by representatives of the Managing and National Authorities, Secretariat for European Affairs of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Directorate General “Regional Policy” at the European Commission - Mrs. Nathalie Verschelde was held. During the meeting the current status of the Programme and the next steps to be taken in terms of - Description of Management and control system, the Memorandum of Understanding and the Assessment process under the First call for Proposals were discussed.

- On 15 December 2010 in MRDPW,– Sofia - a technical meeting attended by representatives from the Managing, Certifying and Audit Authority, together with Mrs. Nathalie Veschelde took place. The following topics were discussed on the meeting:

- ✓ Current status of the three IPA Cross-Border Programmes: Bulgaria – Serbia IPA CB Programme, Bulgaria – Turkey IPA CB Programme and Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA CB Programme;
- ✓ Presentation of every IPA Cross-Border Programme – results from the performed administrative and eligibility compliance check of the 1st Calls for Proposals, outlining the number of the received applications, the number of the administratively and eligibility compliant projects, the distribution of project proposals per priority axis and areas of intervention, and the distribution of project proposals by geographical principle and by types of organizations;
- ✓ Signed Memorandum of Understanding between Republic of Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and forthcoming ratification by the Bulgarian Parliament by the end of the year 2010;
- ✓ Current status of Description of the Management and Control System;
- ✓ Joint Technical Secretariat staffing;
- ✓ Management Information System;
- ✓ Time schedule for 2011.

Management Information system



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In order to facilitate the overall implementation of the Programme, at both programme and project level, the Management Information System is created as practical tool for performing the task of the relevant authorities (Managing Authority, National Authority, Certifying Authority, JTS). The information system is already developed and in operation: <https://mis-007.mrrb.government.bg>

MIS is useful tool for tracking of the relevant operations and monitoring the whole lifecycle of the project. As a first step all of the documents concerning the assessment of the applications have been uploaded – application forms, supporting documents, assessment grids, etc. During the implementation of the contracts certificates for validation of expenditures, invoice reports, requests for payments, appeals, irregularities and other relevant information will be uploaded.

2.7. National performance reserve (where applicable and only for the annual implementation report submitted for 2010)

Not applicable

3. Implementation by priority

As no projects were approved in 2010, information about Programme indicators will be given in the next reporting period.

3.1 Priority Axis 1 - Economic development and social cohesion

The objective of the priority axis is to improve the competitiveness and economic growth of the whole region in order to increase the employment as well as economic and social integration of the region.

For the period 2007-2011 approximately 4.8 million Euro Community Funding is available for this priority axis, matched by 0.8 million Euro national contributions.

3.1.1. Achievement of targets and analysis of the progress



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Information on the physical and financial progress of the priority

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

Spheres of intervention within Priority Axis 1

Measure 1.1 Economic development

The objective of this sphere of intervention is to use and mobilize all opportunities in the field of economy, to enlarge the field of actions, to increase market possibilities and to create new steady partnerships. This sphere may have a key role for enhancement of the innovative development through development of research and technology, cooperation and marketing.

Creation of networks and clusters as flexible instruments for cooperation among research, development, qualification and other institutions will contribute for the economic growth of the region.

The indicators which will be used to measure the progress of this sphere of intervention are shown in the table below:

Table 1

Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Business and educational linkages created	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	15										
	Baseline	9										
Communities & institutions participating in knowledge economy	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	7										
	Baseline	0										
Awareness campaigns of the benefits of ICT and new media	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	20										
	Baseline	9										
ICT trainings	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	9										
Access to and usage of new technology	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	0										
SMEs involved/addressed in	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							



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Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
	Target 2016	7										
	Baseline	50										
Institutions / bodies benefiting of programme activities	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	50										
	Baseline	194										
New jobs created	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	50										
	Baseline	30										

Measure 1.2 Social cohesion

The objective of this sphere of intervention is to overcome the separating effect of the border and to promote correlations between the two sides. The activities in this sphere are aiming to contribute to the increase of social cooperation growth through strengthening of connections and cooperation between different actors serving as a backbone to various cross-border initiatives.

The indicators which will be used to measure the progress of this sphere of intervention are shown in the table below:

Table 2

Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Joint cooperation projects on development of skills and knowledge	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	15										
Training places created	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	3										
	Baseline	7										
Management and job-related training courses	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	5										
	Baseline	51										
People participating in training	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	350										
	Baseline	1460										
People with enhanced skills	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	200										



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	Baseline	1460										
Business to education linkages	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	3										
People from vulnerable groups trained	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	20										
	Baseline	26										
Scientific exchange and transfer of know-how	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	4										
Networking structures created/developed	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	3										
	Baseline	11										
Joint plans for cooperation in sphere of human resources management	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	3										
	Baseline	13										

Measure 1.3 Project preparation

The objective of this sphere of intervention is to prepare mature project to apply under other EU and national financial sources.

The indicators which will be used to measure the progress of this sphere of intervention are shown in the table below:

Table 3

Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Feasibility studies	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	5										
	Baseline	0										
Preliminary and detailed design works	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	7										
	Baseline	1										
Project environmental assessments	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	2										
	Baseline	0										



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- **Qualitative analysis**

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

3.1.2. Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

3.2 Priority Axis 2 - Improvement the quality of life

The objective of the priority axis is to enable a simultaneous protection and utilization of natural resources and cultural landscape values.

For the period 2007-2011 approximately 6.1 million Euro Community Funding is available for this priority axis, matched by 1.1 million Euro national contributions.

3.2.1. Achievement of targets and analysis of the progress

- **Information on the physical and financial progress of the priority**

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

Spheres of intervention within Priority Axis 2

Measure 2.1 Utilisation of eco resources

The objective of this sphere of intervention is to contribute to the preservation of natural resources biodiversity by applying environmental friendly approaches in all fields and increasing awareness to secure the sustainable use of resources. On the other hand there is cooperation potential in the field of eco-resources use for the development of the region (eco-, green-, rural-tourism, etc.).

The indicators which will be used to measure the progress of this sphere of intervention are shown in the table below:

Table 4

Programme Output Indicators	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total



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Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Number of joint environmental friendly projects	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	20										
	Baseline	6										
Joint Eco-itineraries created/ developed	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	8										
Joint tourist services created/ developed	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	7										
Partnerships for cases of natural disasters established	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	2										
	Baseline	1										
Joint environmental management plans	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	2										
	Baseline	15										
Permanent networks for environmental protection and reasonable utilization of resources	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	5										
	Baseline	1										
Environmental awareness campaigns	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	15										
	Baseline	18										

Measure 2.2 Utilisation of cultural resources

The objective of this sphere of intervention is to foster the cross-border cooperation in the field of cultural affairs and thus contribute to the improvement of quality of life in the region. The development of cultural tourism potential will also lead to a reasonable and sustainable use of the opportunities of the region.

The indicators which will be used to measure the progress of this sphere of intervention are shown in the table below:

Table 5

Programme Output Indicators		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total
Number of projects concerning common cultural heritage	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	20										



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	Baseline	37										
Tourist destinations created/ developed	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	33										
Tourist services created/ developed	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	10										
	Baseline	37										
Surrounding area of cultural spots improved	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	7										
	Baseline	26										
Joint cultural events carried out	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	15										
	Baseline	20										
Events popularizing intangible cultural heritage and traditions	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	15										
	Baseline	21										
Awareness campaigns	Achievement	0	0	0	0%							
	Target 2016	15										
	Baseline	55										

- **Qualitative analysis**

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

3.2.2. Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

Not applicable, since no contracts have been signed during the reported period.

4. Major projects (if applicable)

Not applicable – no major projects were financed / implemented under the Programme during the reported period.

5. Technical Assistance (Priority Axis 3)

The aim of the Technical assistance (TA) is ensuring an effective programme management and information flow, thus improving the quality of cross-border cooperation and management tools.



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The Technical Assistance will be used only for activities directly related to the Programme management. Technical Assistance will be invested in the overall management and promotion of the Programme, awareness raising, pro-active project generation, etc.

For the period 2007-2011 approximately 1.2 million Euro Community Funding is available for this priority axis, matched by 0.2 million Euro national contributions.

Spheres of intervention within Priority Axis 3:

3.1 Overall administration and evaluation of the Programme

The objective of this sphere of intervention ensures:

- Support to the Managing Authority and Joint Technical Secretariat for tasks related to preparation of the necessary documents, appraisal and selection of projects, monitoring and evaluation of activities, control and audit of the Programme including daily allowances, travel accommodation costs covering the expenses for the participants from Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (representatives of the MA, JTS, CA, AA, JMC, persons who are not directly involved, for example interpreters, drivers etc.) in events concerning the programme.

On the other hand contributes to:

- Determinate administrative costs concerning the JTS (Main and Branch) including rent of premises, repair works furniture and equipment, expenditures for electricity, heating, phones, water, consumables etc and also staff remuneration costs for the JTS (Main and Branch).

3.2 . Publicity and communication

The objective of this sphere of intervention ensures:

- Preparation, translation and dissemination of the Programme related information and publicity materials including but not limited to the programme website, official Programme documents, procedure manuals, bulletins, brochures, posters, etc.; as well as expenses for consumables as paper, files, folders, cases, diskettes, compact disks, etc.
- Organisation of public events as conferences, seminars, workshops, round table discussions, trainings for beneficiaries, networking and awareness-raising events, partner search forums etc. including rent of



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halls and equipment (audio-, video-, translation- equipment), expenses for interpreters, lecturers, trainers (should not be persons involved in the programme); expenses for coffee breaks, refreshments, business dinners and lunches for all participants in the events;

- Purchase of advertising materials as CDs, USBs, hats, bags, note books, folders etc. as well as expenses for publications in radio, TV and press.

The indicative breakdown of budget lines & sub-lines for 2010 TA budget was approved on 10th June 2010 with written procedure, in accordance with art. 7 of the rules of procedure of the JMC. The approved allocation is **259 775 euro** and includes the following expenses:

- staff remuneration costs for the JTS (Main and Branch);
- accommodations, daily allowances and travel costs necessary participation in technical meetings, information days, training sessions and other events;
- expenditures related to the logistical organization of the JMC meetings, technical meeting and other events (materials, translation equipment, translation).

During the year 2010, in order to cover the above mentioned expenditures, the amount of 51 648.33 euro was ensured and already spent from the national budgets of the partnering countries - from the BG state budget – 34 136.98 euro and from the state budget of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia - 17 511.35 euro. After completion of the procedures concerning verification and certification of the expenditure in year 2011, the MA/NA will reimburse 85% of amount from the TA budget (43 901.08 euro) The procedure is envisaged to be completed in July – August 2011.

6. Information and publicity

Detailed Communication plan

Detailed Communication Plan for the Programme was approved on 13th March 2008 on the 1st JMC meeting held in Kyustendil. The aim of the approved Communication Plan is to ensure broad dissemination of the information about the programme, to guarantee the transparency of the programme's implementation and to increase the awareness of the local stakeholders about the programme's possibilities. The implementation of the Communication plan is responsibility of the Managing Authority, National Authority and JTS.



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Generally, the Communication plan contains the following information:

- the aims and target groups;
- the strategy and content of the information and publicity measures;
- the indicative budget for the implementation;
- the administrative departments / agents responsible for its implementation;
- indication about the evaluation methods which will be used;

The goal of the activities related with the Communication Plan is to disseminate information about the Programme and thus to increase the participation of potential beneficiaries, which will result in increased absorption capacity and transparency, and will increase the awareness of the population of the eligible region.

Information concerning the implementation and monitoring of the Communication Plan in compliance with the requirements of the EC Regulation 1828, Article 4:

“The annual implementation report for the year 2010 and the final implementation report shall contain a chapter assessing the results of the information and publicity measures in terms of visibility and awareness of operational programmes and of the role played by the Community, as provided for in point (e) of Article 2(2).”

The Multi-Annual Evaluation Plan of the IPA Cross-Border Programme Bulgaria – fYRoM, approved by the JMC, envisaged within 2011 an evaluation related to achievement of objectives set out in the Communication plan to be conducted.

The evaluation aims to measure the effectiveness and impact of the current implemented communication activities under Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-Border Programme, CCI Number 2007CB16IPO007 in terms of the objectives, measures, messages and tools; timing and target groups/audiences.

The result of the evaluation directs to improvement of the communication plan in the following main points:

- Refining the communication objectives and activities in order to be respected the logic intervention objective-activity-result (indicators).
- Improvement of the indicators (definition and quantities) in order to become accurately SMART.
- Including the result and impact indicators in order to assess the general awareness of the public about the programme.
- The reliable source data for monitoring the indicators to be ensured.

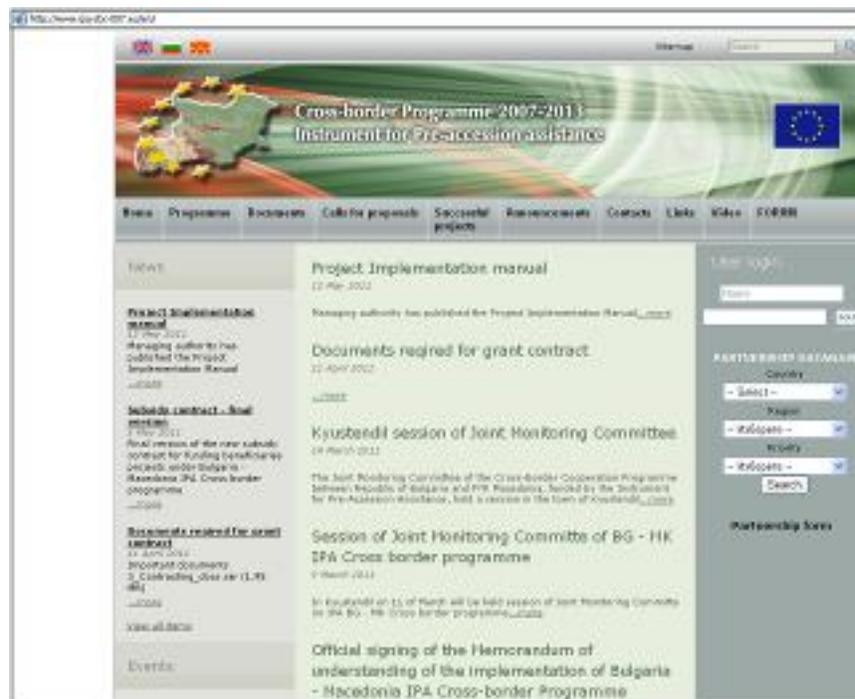


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Currently the evaluation is completed and the Evaluation report will be proposed for approval by the JMC. In compliance with the provisions of the Multi-Annual Evaluation Plan, the Evaluation report will be presented for consideration to EC till 30th June 2011.

Web - page

JTS is responsible for the maintaining and updating of the Programmes web site www.ipa-cbc-007.eu with the relevant information about the Programme.



During the reported period, the Programme web site was constantly updated with the relevant information of the Programme (events, news, documentation etc.). The web site was updated with new elements, for example sections “Frequently asked questions”, “User’s forum”, and “Partner search forum”. The newly established section “Partner search forum” contains information about 76 potential partners (organizations and institutions) from Bulgaria and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Additionally, in order to ensure broad publicity of the information, the MA published the essential information concerning the Programme (Programme document, decisions of the JMC, Applicant’s Guide etc.) on the web pages of the Bulgarian Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works (www.mrrb.government.bg), on the web page of the Bulgarian Ministry of Finance (www.eufunds.bg), as well as and web site of the National



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Authority, the Ministry of Local Self-government of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia – www.mls.gov.mk.

Information days

Not applicable – no information days were held under the Programme during the reported period.

Trainings

In order to ensure the smooth technical assessment of the proposals and forthcoming first level control the, following trainings were held:

- Training session for the first level of controllers was held in Sofia on 16-17 September 2010. During the training the following main topics were presented: rules and procedures for first level control under the different territorial cooperation programmes, managed by the GD TCM, general overview of the Programmes including their differences and similarities, rules for procurement of the sub-tendering procedures, rules for eligibility of the expenditures, identifying of irregularities, etc. The training session was attended by 35 controllers.
- Training session for the assessors was organized and held in Sofia on 11 November 2010. During the training the following main topics were presented: general overview of the IPA Cross-Border Programmes, Applicant's Guides, Management Information System, procedures and rules for assessment of the proposals. The training session was attended by 45 assessors.

Trainings, attended by representative of MA, NA and JTS

- On 13-14 October 2010 – Third Annual Meeting of IP Vienna's Regional Network was attended by experts of DG TCM. The topics for discussions were projects assessment and selection, FLC, project changes, added value, de-commitment, strategic projects, etc. (http://www.interact-eu.net/events/3rd_rn_meeting_ipvienna/14/5214);
- On 9th -10th November 2010, Paris, France – INTERACT Training Seminar "Evaluation of European Territorial Cooperation Programmes" was attended by experts of DG TCM. The topics for



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discussions were evaluation process, terms of reference and experience regarding on-going evaluation, evaluation of communication, etc. (http://www.interact-eu.net/interact_events/evaluation_seminar/15/5597)

Partner search forum

Not applicable – no Partner search forums were implemented under the Programme during the reported period.

Promotional materials

Not applicable – no information materials were produced under the Programme during the reported period.

Media

During 2010 information concerning the positive assessment on description of management and control systems on Bulgaria - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme was published on the following

Electronic media:



<http://www.politika.bg/article?id=20283>



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The screenshot shows the website 'stroimedia.bg' with a navigation menu and a main article. The article title is 'Близко 27 млн. евро по програмите за трансгранично сътрудничество България - Македония и България - Турция'. The article text mentions that the European Commission has given a positive assessment of the systems for management and control of the IPA cross-border programmes.

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<http://www.europe.bg/htmls/page.php?id=34126&category=5>

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Press



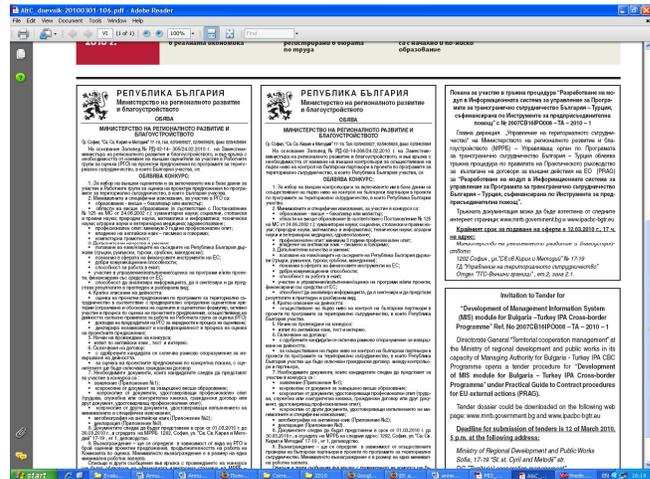
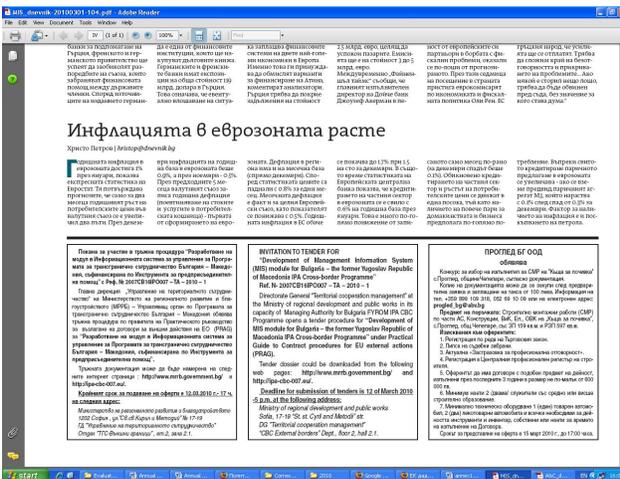
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Information concerning positive assessment on description of management and control systems on Bulgaria-the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme was published in following Bulgarian newspapers - "Politika" and "Dnevnik".



<http://www.politika.bg/article?id=20283>

Information concerning the selection of external assessors and controllers, and invitation to tender for "Development of Management Information System module for Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme" was published on 31st March 2010 in Bulgarian newspaper "Dnevnik".



In response of EC recommendations, in the attached **ANNEX** are presented some examples of the communication activities carried out and publicity materials, produced under the Priority Axis 3 Technical Assistance of the Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme.



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Table 6 Indicators for communication and publicity measures

	Activity	Indicator	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total	
Programme Website	General information	Number of web-site visits	0	0	8190	8731							0	
		Target 2016	500 per year											
		Baseline	0											
	Partners' search facility	Number of new partnerships established	0	0	77	0							0	
		Target 2016	20 per year											
		Baseline	0											
	Contact details	Number of web-site visits	0	0	8190	8731								0
		Target 2016	500 per year											
		Baseline	0											
Information for mass media	Information for mass media	Public awareness raised	0	0	0.78	0.66								
		Target 2016	2 %											
		Baseline	0											
Promotional materials	Leaflets	Number of leaflets produced	0	0	0	0							0	
		Target 2016	500 per call											
		Baseline	0											
	Brochures	Number of brochures produced	0	1000	0	0							1000	
		Target 2016	500 per year											
		Baseline	0											
	Posters & banners	Number of posters	0	2	0	0								2
		Target 2016	2											
		Baseline	0											
Other promotional materials (gadgets)	Other promotional materials (gadgets)	Number of materials prepared	0	1050	0	0							1050	
		Target 2016	50 of each kind											
		Baseline	0											
Seminars	Info-days	Number of organizations/bodies attending	0	0	227	0							0	
		Target 2016	40 per call											
		Baseline	0											
	Thematic seminars/ workshops	Number of people attending	0	0	76	80							0	



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	Activity	Indicator	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	Total	
Publicity campaign		Target 2016	40 per event											
		Baseline	0											
	Print media campaign	Number of newspapers publishing issue(s) concerning the Programme	0	1	2	2								1
		Target 2016	4 per year											
		Baseline	0											
	Press conferences	Information concerning decisions concerning the Programme	0	1	2	0								1
		Target 2016	1 per call											
		Baseline	0											
	Press releases	Information concerning decisions concerning the Programme	0	1	5	4								0
		Target 2016	1 per call											
		Baseline	0											
	Press Advertisements	Information concerning the definite call	0	0	16	0								0
		Target 2016	1 per call											
		Baseline	0											



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COMPREHENSIVE LIST with information about publicity, media presence, promotional and training activities carried out in the period 2009 - 2010

PROGRAMME'S WEB SITE

The Programme' web site was released in September 2009 and currently is accessible at:

<http://www.ipa-cbc-007.eu>



PROMOTIONAL MATERIALS

Photos of brochure, folder, paper bag, printed to promote the Programme



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Започва набирание на проектни предложения по програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и Македония

14 Септември, 2009 - 08:51 - DanikNews.bg: света и България



Първата покана за набирание на проектни предложения по Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и Македония по Инструмента за предприсъединителна помощ се обявява днес.

По програмата ще бъдат финансирани проекти, насочени към укрепване на устойчивото икономическо развитие в граничната зона, насърчване на социалното сближаване и трансграничното сътрудничество, развитие привлекателността на региона и подобряване на качеството на живот.

Общият бюджет на програмата за периода 2007 - 2009 г. е 7,8 млн. евро, като за първата покана...

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Второ заседание на Съвместния комитет по Трансгранично сътрудничество България - Македония

24.02.2009 Източник: МРРБ

Днес в град Струмица, Македония ще се проведе второто заседание на Съвместния комитет за наблюдение по Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество по Инструмента за предприсъединителна помощ (IPA) между България и Македония.

За периода 2007-2009 общият бюджет на Програмата е 7,8 млн. евро. Реализирането на проекти по тази програма ще цели:

- Укрепване на устойчивото икономическо развитие в трансграничната зона;
- Насърчване на социалното сближаване и трансграничното сътрудничество;
- По-нататъшно развитие на привлекателността на региона и качеството на живот в трансграничната зона.

На второто заседание на Съвместния комитет по Програмата ще бъдат обсъдени въпроси, свързани с първата покана за набирание на проектни предложения. Предмет на дискусия и одобрение ще бъде и пакетът с документи за кандидатстване. Подготвено е общият бюджет за проектните предложения, които ще бъдат финансирани по първата покана за набирание на проектни предложения, да бъде 4.1 млн. евро.

Източник: Министерство на регионалното развитие и благоустройство

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Начало За коалицията Комитети за наблюдение Подая сигнал Справки по проекти

България - Македония

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НПО представител в съвместния комитет за наблюдение на Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и Сърбия в Тито Целик, избран на платформата на БлуТим от екологичните организации. Неговият блог е <http://blueink.net/ustablog/?q=blog/48>

Правилата за работа на Съвместния комитет за наблюдение на програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между Република България и Република Македония за периода 2007 - 2013 година, бяха приети по принцип на първото му заседание.

То се проведе на 13.03.2008 г. в Кюстендил. Там бяха приети и комуникационната стратегия за програмата, бюджетните линии за приоритет „Техническа помощ“ и бяха взети решения за стартиране на процедурата за избор на експерти в Съвместния технически секретариат.

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ПРОГРАМА ЗА ТРАНСГРАНИЧНО СЪТРУДИЧЕСТВО МЕЖДУ БЪЛГАРИЯ И БИША КОСОВСКА РЕПУБЛИКА МАКЕДОНИЈА 2007–2013 Г.

1. Трансгранична програма България – Бивша югославска република Македонија, получаваща помощ от Общността по рамката „Трансгранично сътрудничество“ на Инструмента за трансгранично сътрудничество (ITIS).

2. Краен изпитиелен

На 24 декември 2007 г. Европейската комисия одобри Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и бившата югославска република Македонија, която е част от съвместния финансов план за рамката „Трансгранично сътрудничество“ на Инструмента за трансгранично сътрудничество (ITIS). Програмата е вложена по-горе на Общността за пет български и македонски региони, които лежат по двете страни на общата граница в България – Благоевградска и Благоевградска област, а от македонска страна –

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Провеждат инфоден по програма за трансгранично сътрудничество
7 октомври 2009 08:06 / обновена на 7 октомври 2009 | Дарик Кюстендил |

Информационен ден, организиран по първата покана за набиране на предложения по Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и Македония се провежда днес в Кюстендил.

В него ще вземат участие представители на Министерството на регионалното развитие и благоустройството и на екипа за техническа помощ по програмата. Информационният ден започва от 11 ч. в залата на Областна администрация Кюстендил. Инфо ден ще се проведе и в Струмица на 8 октомври.

Набирането на проектни предложения по Програма за трансгранично сътрудничество между България и Македония стартира на 14 септември.

http://dariknews.bg/view_article.php?article_id=411536

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Две трансгранични програми са одобрени от Брюксел
21 декември 2010, 14:05

Теме оценката на първите поддържани проекти по тях

Програма за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Македония и Програма за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Топки по линията политическа остана на съответствие от Европейската комисия.

Това е гледане, че процедурите и правната на програмите, са достатъчно стандартизиран и европейските средства могат да се използват ефективно. Така инвеститори ще достигат по-бързо до Beneficiaries, Дарик и новинарски сайт Български Бизнес, Дарик и Български новинарски сайт.

http://www.projectmedia.bg/news/index.cgi?material_id=53137

<http://www.mrrb.government.bg/index.php?lang=en&do=auction&id=455>



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14 януари 2011, петък Български | English




Региони в България	Дунавска стратегия	АТУМС	Програми за териториално сътрудничество	Програма ИСПА	Профил на купувача	Концесии	Търсене
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Търгове

13 януари 2011, четвъртък
Информационен ден по ОП ЕСПОН 2013

11 януари 2011, вторник
Индикативна годишна работна програма за програмите за териториално сътрудничество, в които България участва

10 януари 2011, понеделник
БАЗНОIII Променили са Иискованията за кандидатстване по селна BG16IPO001/2.3-01/2010 "Подготвяне, проучване и проектиране на изградена на междусистемна газова връзка

Получена е положителна оценка на съответствие на програмите за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Македония и България – Турция
21 декември 2010, вторник

Европейската комисия даде положителна оценка на съответствието на системите за управление и контрол на Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Македония и Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Турция, съфинансирани от Инструмента за предприемачествена помощ.

Управляващ орган на двете програми е Главна дирекция „Управление на териториалното сътрудничество“ в Министерството на регионалното развитие и благоустройството. Получената положителна оценка е гаранция, че процедурите и правилата, установени от него са достатъчно надеждни за ефективно усвояване и управление на европейските средства.

Одобреното на системите за управление и контрол от Брюксел ще подпомогне по-бързото достигане на европейските средства до бенефициентите.

С получаването на положителна оценка по двете програми се дава подкрепа на потенциални бенефициенти от областите Бургас, Хасково и Ямбол и провинциите Едирне и Къркларели (за програмата България – Турция), и от областите Кюстендил и Благоевград и районите Северозиточен, Източен централен и Кюкюлчен (за програмата България – Македония).

Общата стойност на Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Македония за периода 2007 – 2011 г. е 14,2 млн. евро, от които 12,1 млн. евро са европейско финансиране и 2,1 млн. евро национално съфинансирание от държавните бюджети на двете страни.

По Програмата за трансгранично сътрудничество България – Турция общата разполагаема сума за периода 2007 – 2011 г. е 21,7 млн. евро от които 18,4 млн. евро от ЕС и 3,3 млн. евро национално публично съфинансирание от двете държави.

Към момента се извършва оценка на подадените проектни предложения по първите покани по двете програми. По програмата между България и Македония са подадени 93 проектни предложения на обща стойност 14,8 млн.

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Оперативна програма Регионално развитие 2007-2013, програми за териториално сътрудничество

Фонд за органите на местното самоуправление в България -ФЛАГ

Единна информационна система за управление на регионалното развитие - ЕИСУРР

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14 January 2011, Friday Български | English




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Търгове

Bulgaria – Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme
14 September 2009, Monday

Ministry of Regional Development and Public Works of the Republic of Bulgaria (Managing Authority) in cooperation with Ministry of Local Self Government of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (National Authority) are seeking for project proposals for the promotion of cross border cooperation between Bulgaria and Macedonia with financial assistance from the Bulgaria - Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia IPA Cross-border Programme.

Under present Call for Proposals an indicative amount of EUR 4 331 652 is available for the project proposals from both partnering countries. Project proposals would have to target one of the following priority areas: 1. Economic Development and Social Cohesion
2. Improvement the quality of life.

The ultimate objective will be to enhance the capability of the local and regional authorities to develop and implement joint projects within the border region in the following Bulgarian NUTS III level territorial units: Blagoevgrad and Kyustendil and Macedonian NUTS III statistical regions -the North-East, the East and the South-East.

The full Applicants Guide and Application Package are available for download on the following web page addresses: www.ipa-cbc-007.eu and www.mlr.gov.mk

The deadline for submission of proposals is 14th December 2009, 16:00 local time in the address indicated in the Guidance for Applicants for the present Call for proposals. Information sessions on this call for proposals will be held in Bulgaria and Macedonia. The dates and location of these sessions will be announced on the web sites www.ipa-cbc-007.eu, www.mrbg.government.bg and www.mlr.gov.mk

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Date	Event	Location	Participants
28 September – 2 October 2009	Training session for Bulgarian controllers	Sofia	29
7 October 2009	Information day	Kyustendil (Bulgaria)	108
6 – 9 October 2009	Training for the assessors	Sofia	8
8 October 2009	Information day	Strumitsa (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	119
15 October 2009	Partnership forum	Kriva Palanka (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	70
03 November 2009	Training session “Preparation of Project Proposals and Completion Application Form”	Blagoevgrad (Bulgaria)	145
19 November 2009	Training session	Kriva Palanka (the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)	85
18–19 November 2009	Trainings for the following target groups -JTS experts, representatives of the MA and info points	Sofia	18
20 November 2009	Training session “Implementation, Administrative and Financial	Kyustendil (Bulgaria)	96



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25-27 November 2009	Trainings for the following target groups -JTS experts, representatives of the MA and info points	Sofia	29
16 th -17 th September 2010	Training session for Bulgarian controllers involved in the Trans-Border programmes	Sofia	35
11 November 2010	Training for the assessors	Sofia	45
Total: participants in information events and training sessions			787