



Project Partner

Municipality of Podgorica

Facts and Figures

- Total budget: € 7.16 million
- EU contribution: € 4 million
- Duration: March 2009 – December 2010

Infrastructure and environment

EU Project Reduced Traffic and Accident Numbers in Podgorica

Montenegro



Context **Dealing with traffic congestion, pollution and dangerous roads**

Two main road axes converge in Podgorica, the capital of Montenegro. One of these roads went directly through residential and commercial areas of the city. Heavy traffic congestion was a regular phenomenon, leading to air pollution and accidents in urban areas. In addition, there were risks associated with the transport of dangerous goods through densely-populated areas. The municipality of Podgorica funded 3 sections of a by-pass to improve the situation. The construction of the fourth by-pass was co-financed by the EU.

Objectives **Finalise the eastern by-pass around the city of Podgorica**

- Upgrade the key transport infrastructure in Podgorica.
- Improve regional traffic flow conditions.
- Reduce air pollution within the central urban area and reduce the dangers of the roads for inhabitants.
- Promote economic growth, particularly through development of the tourism market.

Impact **Less traffic, fewer accidents and reduced pollution in the central urban area**

- Podgorica's eastern by-pass has been completed.
- Reduction in transit traffic on city centre roads.
- Fewer vehicle and pedestrian traffic accidents along the existing city centre transit route.
- Air pollution within the central urban area has been reduced.