

IPA TWINNING NEWS NEAR SPECIAL

European IPA Twinning Projects Pipeline from mid-February till December 2017

Project title	(To be) circulated to Member States
ALBANIA	
IPA 2014 (Indirect management CFCU) "Support priority power sector reforms and improve the management of companies in the Power Sector "- Standard Twinning, beneficiary Ministry of Energy and Industry. The main overall objective is to increase the power safety supply and to facilitate the recovery of the power sector. Project purpose: to improve the management capacities of Albania's power sector in line with EU energy strategies and priorities Budget: EUR 500,000	Q1-Q2, 2017
IPA 2014 (direct management, EU Integration facility): Capacity Building for the indirect management of EU Funds	Q1 -Q2, 2017
The overall objective is to strengthen the administrative capacity of the country to cope with the requirements for indirect management of EU funds under the IPA Regulation.	
Budget: EUR 800,000	
IPA 2016 (direct management, complementary contract to the Sector Reform Contract to Support Transport with Focus on Roads): Capacity Building for the Albanian Roads Authority.	Q2 –Q3, 2017
The twining is expected to focus on improvement of performance and strengthening the capacity of the Albanian Road Authority (ARA), notably with a view to ensuring that ARA staff is better at implementing transport policies and legislation, and at carrying out public procurement and contract implementation in line with applicable procedures and sound financial management principles.	
Budget: EUR 1,300,000	

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	
IPA 2016 – Twinning with Parliaments of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republika Srpska, Federation of BiH and the District of Brcko Support to the Parliaments of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the EU Integration Tasks will strengthen functioning of the political and administrative structures for EU integration through support to the implementation of the Parliamentary EU integration Action Plans, deepening the cooperation of the Parliaments of BiH in EU integration matters, and for further acceleration and improvement of the legal approximation process in BiH. Budget: EUR 2,300,000	Q4 2017
IPA 2015 - Twinning with the Agency for Statistics of BiH The Twinning is expected to focus on improving the performance of statistics in the area of national accounts, Structural Business Statistics/SBS, Short Term Statistics (STS) and Tourism Statistics. The budget for this project is EUR 1,500,000.	Q2 2017
IPA 2016 - "Recognition of qualifications" with Centre for recognition of qualifications in higher education (CIP)	Q2 2017
The twinning is expected to improve labour mobility in BiH through recognition of qualifications in line with the provisions of the Lisbon Recognition Convention and its accompanying documents.	
Budget: EUR 600,000.	
KOSOVO*	
IPA 2016: EU Approximation Facility - EU Services Directive, Follow-up project to support the Ministry of Trade and Industry with the effective coordination of the transposition of the EU Services Directive 2006/123/EC and the establishment of the "Point of Single Contact" as egovernment portal. Budget: EUR 1,000,000	Q2 2017
IPA 2014: Support to the National Audit Office, Strengthening the capacities of KNAO to carry out its activities in a standardised and independent manner, while improving the quality of audit reports. Budget: EUR 200,000 Twinning light project	Q2 2017
SERBIA	
IPA 2014, Fight against trafficking in human beings The main goal of this TW is to increase efficiency of discovery of cases of trafficking in human beings as well as to improve the protection of victims. The aim is to institutionalise national referral mechanism and to make it more efficient.	
Budget: EUR 1,000,000	Q2 2017
IPA 2014, Development of Schengen Action plan In order to be able to define further steps in improvement of border control and surveillance, a Schengen Action Plan need to be developed under this TW, which will after a thorough analysis present further activities that Serbia requires to take in order to be ready for the full	Q2 2017

implementation of the Schengen acquis.	
Budget: EUR 1.500,000	
IPA 2014, Further Development of Protection of Competition in	
Serbia	
Activities aiming at further development of the system and the capacities	
for combating anti-competitive practices will lead to an improved	
implementation of EU-harmonised policies which will in return contribute	
to the creation of a well-functioning market economy.	
Budget: EUR 1,000,000.	Q2 2017
IPA 2014, OSH legislation harmonized and capacities primarily of	Q2 2017
the Directorate for Safety and Health and the Labour Inspectorate	
built	
It will provide further harmonization of OSH and capacity building	
especially of the Directorate for Health and Safety and the Labour	
Inspectorate and other relevant institutions. Needs assessment and	
analysis of present organizational structure, capacities and procedures of	
OSH in Serbia will be conducted as well as harmonization of the	
legislation content.	
Budget: EUR 1,500,000.	Q2 2017
IPA 2014, Strengthening of the institutional capacities of the National	
bank of Serbia in the process of EU accession	
The project purpose is to strengthen the institutional capacities of the	
National bank of Serbia in order to accelerate the EU accession	
negotiation process.	
Budget: EUR 800,000.	Q2 2017
IPA 2014, Development of the Legislative and Institutional	
Framework for the Effective Alignment and Implementation of the	
Acquis in the Area of Fishery in the RS	
The project purpose is to help EU accession negotiation process by	
development of the legislative and institutional framework for alignment	
and implementation of the acquis in the area of fishery	
Budget: EUR 250,000. Twinning light	Q2 2017
IPA 2015, Home Affairs - Increase capacity of Internal Control Unit	
to fight against corruption	
The project will provide support in strengthening proactive capacities of	
Internal Control Sector to successfully fight corruption in MoI. A set of	
activities will be developed in order to enable introduction and	
establishment of "Integrity test", to enable check of property/asset of MoI	
employees, to further develop capacities of investigation of corruption	
and financial investigations.	
Budget: EUR 1,000,000.	Q1 2017
IPA 2015, Home Affairs – Strengthening capacity of Ministry of	
Interior and other relevant institutions to fight against organized	
crime	
The project purpose is to strengthen capacity within home affairs sector	
for the fight against organized crime, in line with AP 24 for	
implementation of: Intelligence Led Policing, National Criminal	02 2017
Intelligence System (NICIS -KOS), Criminal analysis including crime	Q2 2017

support to service for fight against organised crime and strengthening international police cooperation (in line with EUROPOL standards)

Budget: EUR 200,000. Twinning light

THE FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA

IPA 2013: Further institutionalisation of structured mechanism/s for cooperation between the Government and the Civil Society

The purpose of the project is to create a better environment for civil society development through established and functional Council for cooperation between the Government and the Civil Society and strengthened administrative capacity for cooperation with CSOs on local level.

Q2 2017 Foreseen month of circulation April 2017

Budget: EUR 500.000

IPA II 2014 Action Programme: Support to the Home Affairs Sector Further development of the capacities for crime scene investigation,

The project purpose is further development of the capacities for crime scene investigation through establishment of a new organisational structure, establishing a quality system for conducting crime scene investigation, introducing new methods and standards for collection and transport of evidence from the crime scene and creating preconditions for accreditation of the Crime scene investigation units on regional and local level in accordance with the ISO 17020:2012 standard.

Q1 2017 **Foreseen month** of circulation March 2017

Budget: EUR 1.050.000

IPA II 2014 Action Programme: Support to the Justice Sector **Development and strengthening of the penitentiary system**

Project purpose

- Strengthening penitentiary system by improving the management and and correctional monitoring over the penitentiary strengthening the training system for the personnel in Directorate for Execution of Sanctions, Penitentiary institution and Correctional Educational Institution, and improve the safety and treatment o prisoners and juveniles in penitentiary and correctional facilities.
- Developing institutional and organizational structure of the Probation Service, development of professional and trained staff, introduction of treatment programs for professional work with convicted persons who perform probation work and also enhancing of cooperation and partnership of Probationary Service with all relevant institutions and organizations involved in performing of probation activities. Budget: 1.300.000 EUR

Q2 2017 Foreseen month of circulation **April 2017**

MONTENEGRO

IPA 2014 or IPA 2015 Support to the Customs Administration in the area of excise

Budget: EUR 200 000 Twinning light

The objective of the project would be to support the Customs Administration of Montenegro in managing excise, since the Customs Administration took over the responsibility over excise from Tax Administration in January 2015

Q3 2017

IPA 2014 or IPA 2015	Q3 2017
Support to the Agency for Protection of Competition	
The objective of this project is to further strengthen capacities of the	
Agency for Protection of Competition for appropriate enforcement of the	
Law on Protection of Competition	
Budget: EUR 250 000 Twinning Light	
Strengthening the capacities of the Ministry of Human and Minority	Q2 2017
Rights and the key counterparts	
The objective is to increase administrative capacity of the personnel of the	
MHMR with cross-cutting training on project implementation, monitoring	
and evaluation. The result will be more transparency, effectiveness and	
coordination.	
Budget: EUR 250.000 Twinning light	
TURKEY	
2015 Annual Action Programming - Strengthening the institutional	
capacity of the Turkish National Police regarding Public Order and	
Crowd Management in line with ECHR fundamental rights	Q2 2017
principles (Recirculation)	
The main goal of the project is to develop technical structure and human	
resources of Turkey's Law Enforcement Agencies and to improve current	
situation in accordance with the best practices of the European Union	
countries on crowd control. More specifically, the purpose of this project	
is to develop the institutional capacity of Turkish National Police on	
Public Order Management and Crowd Control in line with justice,	
freedom and security strategies and policies of the European Union.	
Budget: EUR 2.000.000	
2015 Annual Action Programming - Independent Police Complaints	
Commission & Complaints System for the Turkish National Police,	
Gendarmerie and Coast Guard	
The goal of the project is to implement the primary legislation with	
regards a new independent complaints system for the Turkish National	Q1 2017
Police, Gendarmerie and Coast Guard. Start full operations of the new	
complaints system and consolidate the system via a start-up (first year)	
business plan and 3-5 year strategic plan.	
Budget: EUR 2.000.000 (2d Recirculation)	
2015 Annual Action Programming - Improving the Detection	Q2 2017
Capacity of Turkish Customs Enforcement	
The aim is to strengthen the customs surveillance and control function of	
the MCT all across Turkish Customs Territory by increasing Coordination	
Centre's and maritime units' administrative, technical, intelligence and	
operational capacity in order to deal with both intended and committed	
offences more promptly and efficiently.	
Budget: EUR 1.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs)	Q2 – Q3 2017
Improving the Effectiveness of Family Courts: Better Protection of	
the Rights of Family Members	
The effectiveness of the family courts and office of public prosecutors	

will be enhanced in order to provide better protection for the rights of women, children and other family members. Awareness and competencies of judges, public prosecutors and court experts regarding key issues such as gender, domestic violence and child welfare will be increased and functioning of courts will be strengthened. Collaboration mechanisms among stakeholders will be improved and public knowledge regarding family court proceedings will be increased. Budget: EUR 2.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) -	Q2 - Q3 2017
Forensic Trainings Towards Advanced Examination Methods	
The capacity of forensic institutions will be strengthened, better	
contributions to judicial procedures will be done through advanced	
examination and analysis capacities, unanswered demand of analysis and	
cases due to lack of experience will be decreased. The number of	
accredited examination methods will be increased. Advanced trainings	
will be provided to forensic experts in 11 major areas. All 3 forensic	
institutions of Turkey are the stakeholders of the activity.	
Budget: EUR 2.000.000 2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) -	Q2 – Q3 2017
Improving Turkish Notary System	Q2 - Q3 2017
The activity will ensure compatibility with the notary legislations of EU	
member states within the scope of EU harmonisation process. It will	
develop a basis for entry into profession, training, promotion and	
disciplinary and control procedures for notaries. Through the Activity, it	
is aimed to reduce the workload of judiciary by extending the scope of the	
transactions carried out by notaries and increasing the effectiveness in the	
transactions which are still being carried out by them.	
Budget: EUR 2.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) - Strengthening the Institutional Capacity of Personnel Training Centres of the Penal Institutions The capacity of the Personnel Training Centres will be strengthened, the same quality of trainings will be ensured in each and every Personnel Training Centres through designing standardised training curricula and developing human resources management systems with high quality trainers. Budget: EUR 2.000.000	Q2 – Q3 2017
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) -	Q2 – Q3 2017
Strengthening the Capacity of Law Enforcement Agencies on Cyber	
Crime Prevention and Investigation The Activity sime to increase the constitutions	
The Activity aims to increase the capacity of law enforcement institutions	
and related institutions against fight on cyber-crime and raise awareness in the society on cyber-crime related issues.	
Budget: EUR 2.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) -	Q2 – Q3 2017
Development of Digital Examination Laboratories of TNP (Turkish National Police)	V= V0 2011
To enhance the capacity of digital forensics.	
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Budget: EUR 2.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programming – (Justice and Home Affairs) -	Q2 – Q3 2017
Strengthening the Capacity of Turkish Forensic Laboratories in	
Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking	
The purpose is to adopt Ankara police forensic laboratory which is the	
central laboratory of the TNP, to the drug profiling information exchange	
mechanism of the Union. Also Gendarmerie Forensic Laboratories will	
adopt their Ankara laboratory. Budget: EUR 1.000.000	
2016 Annual Action Programme – (Agriculture & Fisheries) -	Q2 – Q3 2017
Capacity building for fisheries producer organisations and provincial	
agricultural directorates in line with CMO (Single Common Market	
Organsiation) of CFP (Common Fisheries Policy)	
The activity aims to contribute to alignment with the acquis in the field of	
fisheries as well as the efforts related to the preparation of Turkey for	
future implementation of the CFP. Budget: EUR 1.000.000	