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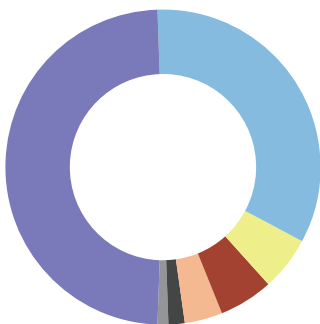
1. ORI DATABASE

ORI database currently contains 443 projects, since 2006, through which Albanian partners cooperate with the Western Balkans counterparts, as well as other neighbouring ones including EU Member countries. The identified projects are supported by eight main donors (with more to be added), and distributed into 17 sectors of activity. 14 studies and analysis in the Western Balkans cooperation constitute the first step in establishment of a comprehensive repository of regional cooperation studies & research works.

Almost all regional cooperation initiatives are supported and encouraged in different forms from different donors. Those donors either manage national budget lines that cover regional cooperation, or use specially designed programmes managed by regional or central headquarters to support those initiatives.

MAIN DONORS BY NUMBER OF PROJECTS CURRENTLY IN ORI ARE:

- EU IPA Multibeneficiary: 148
- EU IPA CBC: 217
 - Italy: 25
- Germany: 24
- Switzerland: 17
- Visegrad+: 8
- Sweden: 4



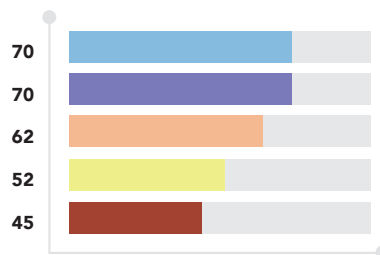
Since a number of years we notice the strategic importance of regional cooperation angle in the allocation and disbursement of foreign aid. In the ORI there are currently three regional strategies (from SDC, SIDA and GIZ) covering the period 2014-2020.

Other donors will be gradually included in ORI, such as UN and its different agencies, non-state private institutions, business organisations, etc.

2. SECTORS OF COOPERATION

The regional cooperation in Western Balkans has initially been ventilated in 17 different sectors. Currently the sectors of Environment with 68 projects and Social Cohesion with 67 projects have the highest number of projects. This is thanks to the very important support originating from IPA CBC (57 projects for Environment and 44 for Social Cohesion).

MAIN SECTORS OF COOPERATION BY NUMBER :



- Environment: 70
- Social Cohesion: 70
- Institutional Development: 62
- Economic Development: 52
- Education & Culture: 45

...which constitute more than 2/3rds of all the cooperation initiatives where Albanian partners participate as registered in ORI. Nevertheless, the distribution by number of projects is different from the distribution by financial cost.

Some examples of biggest initiatives supported through IPA Multi-Beneficiary are¹:

- a) Crisis Response Package 2009 with EUR 125.45 MiO.
- b) Erasmus Mundus and Youth in Action for EUR 12 MiO each per year, same as Civil Society Facility for 2010, etc.
- c) WBIF with EUR 14.9 MiO starting from 2013, and Infrastructure Project Facility for 15.122 MiO from 2010 for cooperation in infrastructure, etc.

3. COOPERATING COUNTRIES

During the last 10 years the Albanian partners have mostly cooperated with Montenegrin one – we have registered 257 projects

	total projects	...out of which IPA CBC	...and IPA Multibeneficiary
Montenegro	257	79	151
Macedonia	237	59	148
Croatia	235	139	78
BiH	232	54	149
Kosovo	184	7	141
Italy	126		
Greece	94		

TOTAL PROJECTS:

- MONTENEGRO **257**
- MACEDONIA **237**
- CROATIA **235**
- BiH **232**
- KOSOVO **184**
- ITALY **126**
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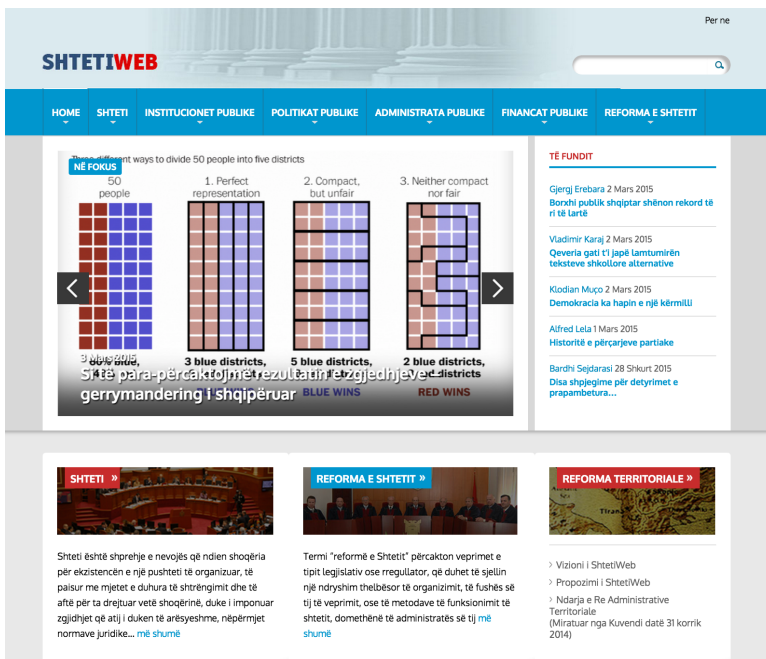
It must be noted the very high frequency of IPA funded activities, being it cross-border of multi-beneficiary. However, there is no further way for the moment to evaluate the real intensity of implication of Albanian partners.

ORI NEXT STEPS

1. Continuous enrichment of the database and of the Repository of analysis & studies;
2. Publication in other languages of Western Balkans, and other Member Countries;
3. Establishment of partnerships with partners in other Western Balkans; Inclusion of other Western Balkans countries cross-flows in the database;
4. Publication of a semestrial analysis of the situation of regional cooperation;
5. Public relations campaign & sensibilisation of Albanian public on the importance and the possibilities of regional cooperation

¹ ORI still misses financial data for a certain number of projects. The information provided should be used as an illustration and not as exhaustive one.

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1. SHTETIWEB

“Shtetiweb” is the flagship initiative of Cooperation and Development Institute. This website is an open window on the state in action. It aims to have in one place a digital library with all relevant documentation on the State.

“ShtetiWeb” promotes transparency and public participation.

“CuriaWeb” is the public forum of “ShtetiWeb.” It is the public consultation platform for relevant public policies. European Integration Section aims at treating all issues affecting the integration process into the EU.

An unique element found in “Shtetiweb” is the presentation of the Albanian State History. Here, in a chronological order are inserted all the data related to the history of the Albanian state from 1912 to the present days. Two other important sections of “ShtetiWeb” are those related to Public Policy and State Reform.

2. REPOSITORY

This database contains in one place the institutional memory of the Albanian state, regarding the important component of public policies. This e-platform includes a basic functional Document Management System and counts currently 272 policy documents. The REPOspace is organised by level of hierarchy and searchable by type of document, policy field, reference period and the Issuing/Supporting entity.

REPO is a body of knowledge on Public Action that will serve in the future as the basis for initiating, conducting, debating and publishing research, policy analysis and evaluation, and any other applied public policy research External Assistance.



FES is very active in Albania since 1991. The foundation strongly cooperates with national and regional partners—individuals and their organizations. FES main field activities include: a) Active civil society; b) Social economic development; c) Democratic institutions; d) Dialogue and participation in the world of work; e) Youth’s future; and f) EU integration.



Agjencia për Mbështetjen e Shoqërisë Civile

The ASCS is a public institution with the mission of encouraging civil society organizations to actively participate in building a democratic society in Albania. It fulfills its objectives by channeling regular financial assistance and improving legislation and respective by-laws for the activity of non-profit sector in the Republic of Albania.



COOPERATION AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Cooperation and Development Institute (CDI) is a non-profit making organization, with head-office in Tirana and activities and partners that cover all Albania and the neighboring countries. CDI has focused its activities on socio-economic development and public policy issues affecting Albanian path towards a market economy in a functioning democratic society.