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Interreg IPA South Adriatic Programme (Italy-Albania-Montenegro 2021-2027)

A meaningful youth participation in INTERREG IPA: How to enable young people to take action?

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Youth projects 2014-2020



- ✓ **Encoding and Analysing Popular music (EArPieCe)**
- ✓ <https://earpiece.italy-albania-montenegro.eu/>
- ✓ 721,820.00€ (01/07/2020-30/09/2022)
- ✓ Priority Axis: 2.2 Increase the cooperation of the relevant key actors of the area for the delivery of innovative cultural and creative products
- ✓ LP: DHITECH Italy, MNE: Association of young artists
- ✓ Results:
 - Cross-border artistic production created;
 - New quality music content created;
 - Neuroscientific analysis of the influence of music on human emotions developed.

Youth projects 2014-2020



- ✓ **Innovative model for young artists cross border laboratory (FAME)**
- ✓ <https://fame.italy-albania-montenegro.eu/>
- ✓ 662,702.64€ (01/12/2021-31/12/2022)
- ✓ Priority Axis: 2.2 Increase the cooperation of the relevant key actors of the area for the delivery of innovative cultural and creative products
- ✓ LP: Municipality of Tirana, MNE: Radio Television of Montenegro
- ✓ Results:
 - Support for young artists in the establishment of an international cross-border network based on a model of long-term cooperation;
 - Capacity development in order to establish a cross-border laboratory based on private-public partnership;
 - Improvement of the skills and knowledge of young artists;
 - Development of innovative methodologies for management in the area of valorisation of cultural and creative industries.

Youth projects 2014-2020



- ✓ **Biodiversity and Tourism Strategy to protect cetaceans (BioTourS)**
- ✓ <https://biotours.italy-albania-montenegro.eu/>
- ✓ 722,500€ (01/09/2020-30/06/2023)
- ✓ Priority Axis: 2.1 Boost attractiveness of natural and cultural assets to improve a smart and sustainable economic development
- ✓ LP: Jonian Dolphin Conservation Italy, MNE: IEC Tehnopolis Nikšić
- ✓ Results:
 - Improved cross-border cooperation in the field of dolphin protection and sustainable tourism;
 - New model of family and youth tourism developed;
 - School tourism in research activities introduced.

Youth projects 2014-2020



- ✓ **High Specialized Technicians in Key Enabling Technologies (HISTEK)**
- ✓ <https://histek.italy-albania-montenegro.eu/>
- ✓ 1,099,538.36€ (03/04/2018-30/06/2021)
- ✓ Priority Axis: 1.1 Enhance the framework conditions for the development of SME's crossborder market
- ✓ LP: Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports Montenegro, MNE: Chamber of Economy (PKCG)
- ✓ Results:
 - Cluster Agreement;
 - Cross-border assessment model related to the employment process;
 - Analysis of SMEs and institutions that provide training;
 - Cooperation agreement.

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Geography 2014-20 > unchanged 2021-27



- Italy: Puglia + Molise
- Albania & Montenegro
(*whole territory*)

*+ art. 22 ETC flexibility
esp. for Italian Regions

2021 – 2027 Specific Objectives



**PA 1
Smart**

PA 2 Green

**PA 3
Connected**

PA 4 Social

**PA 5
Governance**

1.1 SMEs

2.1
Risk

2.2
Biodiversity

2.3
Energy

3.1
Intermodality

4.1 Skills

4.2
Inclusive
Tourism

5.1 Administrative
efficiency

Cross-cutting: Pre-Accession assistance. Cultural heritage / tourism. Security at borders. Digitalisation

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S.O. 1.1 – Enhancing growth and **competitiveness of SMEs** through joint cross-border actions

Axis 1 – SMARTER EU



S.O. 1.1 **SMEs** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON framework conditions for competitiveness of SMEs incl. MSMEs, e.g.:

- ✓ green tourism, cultural / creative SMEs (e.g. joint artistic productions), health-care (e-health), agro-food, blue economy
- ✓ R&D actions, start-ups, S3 strategies, business advice
- ✓ border-crossing procedures, trademarks, patents, cyber-security, fight against counterfeiting, adoption of EU rules for SMEs, digitalisation



S.O. 2.1 - Promoting climate change adaptation, **risk prevention** and disaster resilience with joint cross-border actions

Axis 2 – GREENER EU



S.O. 2.1 **Risks** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON risk management, e.g.:

- ✓ natural risks (floods, droughts, landslide, earthquakes, wildfires, coastal erosion, human/animal/vegetal pandemics, etc.), + artificial risks (oil spills, maritime disasters, etc.)
- ✓ measures targeting specific groups e.g. touristic, cultural industries, etc. or risks at border-crossings, adoption of EU rules on risk management
- ✓ digitalisation in risk management e.g. for monitoring & planning coastal / maritime environment



S.O. 2.2 – Enhancing **biodiversity**, green infrastructure in the urban environment, and reducing pollution with joint cross-border actions

Axis 2 – GREENER EU



S.O. 2.2 **Biodiversity** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON biodiversity / reducing pollution, e.g.:

- ✓ protection of natural habitats, reducing pollution, promotion of recycling waste & sewage water, while preserving biodiversity
- ✓ management of natural / cultural heritage for green tourism,
- ✓ water resources / landscapes, incl. actions for adopting ICZM & Maritime Spatial Planning
- ✓ adoption of EU rules incl. green deal / digitalisation



S.O. 2.3 - Promoting **energy efficiency** with joint cross-border actions

Axis 2 – GREENER EU



S.O. 2.3 **Energy** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON energy efficiency, e.g.:

- ✓ awareness-raising on CO2 emissions
- ✓ energy efficiency measures targeting specific sectors (e.g. culture/tourism, construction, public buildings, etc.)
- ✓ security of cross-border energy networks
- ✓ digital tools / processes for energy efficiency
- ✓ integrated energy efficiency plans within RES strategies
- ✓ adoption of EU rules on energy

Axis 3 – MORE CONNECTED EU



S.O. 3.1 – Developing sustainable, climate resilient, intelligent and **intermodal** national, regional and local **mobility**, including improved access to TEN-T and cross-border mobility, through joint cross-border actions

Axis 3 – MORE CONNECTED EU



S.O. 3.1 **Intermodality** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON sustainable intermodal connectivity, e.g.:

- ✓ maritime, air, rail / road sustainable transports, soft mobility, multimodal transport links, e.g. targeted to tourism,
- ✓ ports security/ security at border-crossing & customs, adopting EU rules on transports / digitalisation
- ✓ accessibility of peripheral, areas / urban-coastal areas
- ✓ top-down projects of strategic importance



S.O. 4.1 – Improving access to inclusive and quality services in education, **training** and lifelong learning through cross-border actions

Axis 4 – MORE SOCIAL EU



S.O. 4.1 **Skills** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON inclusive training, e.g.:

- ✓ professional trainings or capacity building e.g. in touristic, cultural / creative sectors,
- ✓ professional / entrepreneurial / digital skills
- ✓ inclusion of vulnerable social groups (incl. unemployed, migrants, NEETs, etc.)
- ✓ efficiency of cross-border labour markets, recognition of professional qualification / adoption of EU rules on welfare, labour, qualification



S.O. 4.2 - Enhancing the role of culture and **tourism** in economic development, **social inclusion** and social innovation, through cross-border actions

Axis 4 – MORE SOCIAL EU



S.O. 4.2 **Inclusive tourism** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON e.g.:

- ✓ making tourism / culture more social and more economically resilient, primarily targeting vulnerable social groups / local communities
- ✓ management of cultural / natural assets sustainable, more diversified, valorised, e.g., through cultural routes
- ✓ digitalisation, capacity building, services & new opportunities for vulnerable groups, adoption of EU rules

Axis 4 – GOVERNANCE



S.O. 5.1 - Enhancing **efficient public administration** by promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions, in particular, with a view to solving legal and other obstacles in border regions

Axis 5 – GOVERNANCE



S.O. 5.1 **Governance** ACTIONS FOCUSED ON, e.g.:

- ✓ institutional capacity e.g. to manage / promote cultural, natural heritage, creative industries,
- ✓ increasing mutual trust, improved management of border-crossing points, adoption of EU rules, or enhancing e-government & statistic data collection/ accessibility
- ✓ Identification / mitigation of administrative / legal obstacles or mainstreaming interventions

TARGET GROUPS



2014-2020 approach with beneficiaries, who participate in calls with project proposals, is confirmed :

Public authorities (ministries, regions, local, municipalities etc.)	Public bodies (agencies, bodies governed by public law, Universities, research centres, etc.)	Social partners (Chambers of commerce, Unions, NGOs, associations, foundations, etc.)
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Their target groups, using/benefitting from their actions:

- ✓ SMEs, public, private and non-profit organisations
- ✓ Citizens

Budget



Axes	IPA Fund	T.A.	National	Total
1 Smart	13.361.773	1.457.782	3.146.758	17.966.314
2 Green	18.679.892	2.037.994	4.399.199	25.117.086
3 Connected	10.213.205	1.114.271	2.405.256	13.732.732
4 Social	12.134.980	1.323.938	2.857.843	16.316.761
5 Governed	6.043.317	659.332	1.423.229	8.125.877
TOTAL	60.433.167	6.593.317	14.232.285	81.258.769

Type of projects



- 1. Small-scale projects:** up to 200.000 €, financed only through simplified cost options (SCOs)
 - Call December 2022 – 5 Mio.
- 2. Standard projects:** 1,5-2 mio. €, many SCOs
 - Call expected in Autumn 2023 ± 39 Mio.
- 3. Strategic projects:** Top-down, on-going developed by MC, supported by Seed Facility experts – 25 Mio.
- 4. Small-scale projects:** Call 2025 – 5 Mio.

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