

State of play of the Programme

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What is Interreg?

- Part of the EU Cohesion Policy
- It concerns joint actions and policy exchanges between national, regional and local entities and organisations from different EU countries
- The Cooperation Programme Interreg V-A “Greece-Bulgaria 2014-2020” belongs in the cross border category

Eligible areas of the Programme

- Greece:

Regional Units of Thessaloniki, Serres, Drama, Kavala, Xanthi, Rodopi and Evros

- Bulgaria:

Districts of Blagoevgrad, Smolyan, Kardjali and Haskovo

Map of the eligible area



Overview of the Programme

- Total budget is more than 130 million Euros
- After 4 calls, 53 projects have been financed with a total budget of about 100 million Euros
- Projects currently implemented belong into various sectors.

Indicative sectors are infrastructure, environment, health, tourism, culture, social entrepreneurship

- More projects are expected to be financed in the near future

- Joint projects with more than 200 Beneficiaries from both countries
- Total Surface area affected: 40.202 km²
- Total population affected: 2.7 million inhabitants

Programme Management Terms

- **Monitoring Committee:** supervises the implementation of the Programme and selects Projects to be financed
- **Managing Authority:** is responsible for the overall Programme implementation
- **Joint Secretariat:** Assists the Managing Authority. Is the central contact point for Project Beneficiaries
- **First Level Controllers:** Verification of Expenditure on National Level

Thank you for your attention
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