



# Conference on Donor Co-ordination in the Western Balkans and Turkey

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## Transport infrastructure Sources of financing in the enlarged Europe

### Member States

- Cohesion Fund
- European Regional Development Fund (ERDF)
- Trans-European Network (TEN-T) programmes
- Instrument for pre-accession assistance (IPA) aiming at preparing for Structural Funds management

About € 82 bn  
out of € 344 bn (24%)

€ 5.3 bn  
for Priority  
Projects

Western Balkans  
and Turkey



## Shared management of Structural Funds

“Shared” responsibility between the European Commission and Member State authorities

- Commission negotiates and approves the operational programmes proposed by the Member States, and allocates resources
  
- Member States manage the programmes, implement them by selecting **thousands** of projects, monitor and assess them  
**Ownership and leadership**
  
- Economic and social partners as well as civil society bodies (environment, equal opportunities, sport etc.) participate in the programming and the management of the OP  
**Partnership**
  
- Commission is involved in programme monitoring, commits and pays out approved expenditure and verifies the control systems



## IPA: Objective

- General objective: progressive alignment with the standards and policy of the EU with a view to Membership
  
- Specific objective for “Structural Funds components” (CIII+IV): (for Candidate Countries)
  - Prepare the candidate countries for the programming, implementation and management of Structural and Cohesion Funds
  
  - Policy development through implementation of operations consistent with relevant Community and national priorities,

**"Learning by doing approach"**



## Scope IPA CIII (Regional Development)

### Transport infrastructure

- Focusing on connection with TEN-T networks;
- European Partnership priority: Implementation of SEETO MOU
- Concentration on Pan-European Corridors/Routes



## Scope IPA CIII (Regional Development)

- **Environment projects** related to waste management, water supply, urban waste water and air quality; energy efficiency, renewable energy
- **Operations to enhance Regional Competitiveness**, creation of sustainable employment, by providing business and technology services, access to ICT, promotion of technology development, research and innovation, business clusters, provision of local infrastructure that facilitates business, etc..



# IPA CIII and CIV Breakdown by area of intervention

Period 2007-2009

	HR	TR	MK*
Environment	30%	30%	20%
Transport	30%	25%	50%
Regional competitiveness	20%	20%	0%
Human Res. Develop.	20%	25%	30%

**3 candidate countries over 3 years = € 260 mn allocated to transport infrastructure**



# IPA Component III Strategic Framework





## Some key elements for donor co-ordination under IPA as a preparation for membership

### Paris declaration

- Enabling [developing] countries ownership by respecting their policies and helping strengthen their capacity to implement them

### IPA Component III

- A bridge to Structural Funds
  - Thus: a qualitative evolution of assistance that comes with Candidate Status
  - Ownership firmly with national authorities
    - NIPAC, Strategic Coordinator and Transport Ministry
  - Absorption under CIII a key benchmark for Structural Funds readiness
- Management Mode: decentralised
  - No centralised or joint (IFI) management