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METHODOLOGY OF PROGRAMME OUTPUT AND RESULT INDICATORS ASSESSMENT

BULGARIA – FYROM IPA CROSS-BORDER PROGRAMME (CCI NUMBER: 2007CB16IPO007)

I. INTRODUCTION

The current document is drawn up answering of recommendation of the European Commission, which has been directed to the Managing Authority for the IPA Cross-border Programme Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia at the time of approval of the Programmes' document. It was indicated that the description of indicators used should be enlarged and to be state a baseline and an explanation of the respective measurement method, and source of information.

Having in mind the necessity of clear and qualitative system for measurement of the indicators at earlier stage of the implementation of the Programme, Managing Authority has drawn up the current document, which presents a methodology for establishment a system directed to the monitoring and measurement of the indicators of achievement. Its preparation has been founded by the Working Document 2 / August 2006 of the EC and the experience, applied by the Managing Authority of the IPA Cross-border Programme Lithuania-Poland.

To be measurable, the quantity of the indicators confront to the programme's baselines. Defining programme's baselines MA has collected the information concerning already implemented projects within the cross border region during the previous programming period (Neighborhood Programme Bulgaria – the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia 2004-2006).

The programme indicators are vital to the efficient and effective implementation of the Programme. They serve to monitor and evaluate the extent to which the Programme has achieved its objectives, and the efficiency with which it has done so.

This document treats the indicators on vertical level and may also assist the potential applicants in drafting of theirs applications.

Outputs and results indicators

Output and Results indicators allow measuring the achievement of the quantitative targets presented in the Application Form. When preparing their Application Form, the applicants should provide quantification of those programme's indicators that are relevant to the project outputs and results, following the instruction given in the table below.

Filling the quantities in the specific sections of the Application Form, the applicants have to strictly follow the programme units for each indicator.

Filling "justification" field of the result section in the Application Form, the applicants have to describe the sources of verification of the project results, based on the information provided in current document.

Timing

During the implementation period, the Lead partner provides information about achievement of the project's outputs and results in the Project Progress Report from the start till the end of the project.

Generally all target values of indicators must me reached before the completion of the project and the source of information is the Final Progress Report, provided by the Lead partner.

Calculation of indicators

The achieved values of indicators (project indicators) must be calculated by project lead partner/project partners taking into account the definition of the indicator presented in the tables below. It is necessary to note that for all indicators, the values apply complemented to the already achieved ones.

The programme indicators shall be calculated (aggregated) by MA in cooperation with Joint Technical Secretariat on the base of the project data provided by Lead partners of the projects. It will be summarized and presented into the Annual report for the Programme.

II. DESCRIPTION OF INDICATORS (INDICATORS FOR PROJECT APPLICANTS/PROJECT PARTNERS)

II.1. Output Indicators

No.	Indicator	Definition of Indicator	Measurement Unit	Information Source	
PRIORITY AXIS 1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL COHESION					

Sphere of intervention 1.1. Economic development

Indicative activities to be supported within the economic development sphere of intervention:

- Creation and promotion of common cross-border products and services;
- Reconstruction and partial new construction of business and innovation facilities;
- Transfer of know-how and experience;
- Establishment of centres for exchange of information on cross-border economic cooperation;
- Preparation of joint research studies for market opportunities;
- Common marketing initiatives for promotion of joint products, services and interests;
- Organization of cross-border business events, seminars, workshops;
- Creation of partnerships and clusters of business institutions;
- Development of training, best practices transfer, scientific exchange and educational facilities for knowledge based economy;
- •Initiatives for development of a common labour market and more close collaboration between labour market institutions.

1.	Business and educational linkages	Linkages / business and educational / established	Number	Interim progress reports and
	created	during the implementation of projects among		Final project report.
		institutions - stakeholders in the CBC process.		Other information source:
		The indicator measures newly created linkages, which		Lists of participants of joint
		are equivalent to partnerships or cooperation and		events, education courses,
		connection between educational institutions and		training programmes,
		business structures.		invitations, certificates for the
		Linkages may include cooperation and connection		trainees, photos.
		between business organization and education		

		 institutions in the field of: development of training, best practices transfer; - promotion of cross-border networking: business meetings, seminars, conferences; information services for entrepreneurs active in the border region: creation of databases, joint business directories etc. 		List of involved organizations, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, minutes, visitors of the objects, on the spot checks, etc.
2.	Communities and institutions participating in knowledge economy	Communities and institutions involved in trainings, best practices transfer, scientific exchange and educational facilities for knowledge based economy. Knowledge based economy: management of the processes of innovative and technological development, continuous upgrading of qualifications of scientists and innovators, inflow of knew knowledge, especially technological, etc. Activities, related to this indicator may include: • Creation of information networks and databases; Establishment of clusters and networks, etc.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, list of involved organizations, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, minutes from the working meetings, photos of the implemented events and activities, etc.
3.	Awareness campaigns of the benefits of ICT ¹ and new media	Informational/ promotional campaigns carried out by different media for the benefits of ICT under the projects; Project's activities may refer to promotion of cross-border networking: cross-border events, information campaigns, publications, internet platforms etc.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, invitations, ICT materials, press releases, photos, contracts, etc.
4.	ICT trainings	ICT trainings and people participated and successfully finished ICT training courses under the projects. Projects related to development of: ICT training, business meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences, round tables and best practices transfer	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Lists of participants of joint events, training programmes,

¹ ICT – information and communication technologies

		 establishment of centres for exchange of information on cross-border economic cooperation purchase of IT equipment for business networks, databases and virtual business support centres. 		invitations, certificates for the trainees, visitors of the objects, on the spot checks, etc.
5.	Access to and usage of new technology	Number of people who gained access and used ICT created under projects, aiming to promote cross-border cooperation between businesses (information services, creation of databases for regional stakeholders, joint business directories, Internet platforms, various Internet-based informational resources). The project's activities may include: • joint transfer/exchanged of know how, modern information and communication technologies, best practices; • preparation of joint research studies for market opportunities; • renovation and establishment of communication networks.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, list of involved organizations, copy of technical documents, summary of knowhow methods, minutes from the working meetings, press releases, photos of the implemented events and activities, visitors of the objects, on the spot checks, etc.
6.	SMEs involved/addressed in CBC projects	Number of SMEs participated/ reached by the CBC projects. The indicator envisages participation of SMEs' representatives in any joint event/activity within the CBC region, counted by the individual participants from an organization (SMEs). If several persons from one organization participate in a joint event/activity, the value of the indicator will be 1. Activities, related to this indicator may include: Organization of training/ information events for business community; Organization of business fairs; Establishment/ development of business support	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, list of involved organizations, minutes from the working meetings, invitations, photos of the implemented events and activities, etc.

		infrastructure (technology parks, innovation centers, business incubators, business information centers, etc.), excluding construction works, etc.		
7.	Institutions / bodies benefiting of programme activities	Number of institutions/bodies involved in the implementation of programme activities and will be positively affected in and after project duration. The indicator envisages institutional participants of joint events/activities, counted by the individual participants from an institution. If several persons from one institution/organization participate in an event, the value of the indicator will be 1.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Lists of participants of joint events, list of involved organizations, minutes of meeting, photos, etc.
8.	New jobs created	New jobs created/new people employed within the CBC region, as a result of implementation of projects related to: • development of economic activities and cooperation as factors for increasing of employment; • initiatives for development of a common labour market.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Personnel contracts, labor contracts for the employed people. Training programmes, materials, attendance lists, invitations, certificates for the trainees, photos, etc.

Sphere of intervention 1.2. Social cohesion

Indicative activities to be supported within the Social Cohesion sphere of intervention:

- Creation and promotion of common cross-border products and services;
- Reconstruction and partial new construction of business and innovation facilities;
- Development of social infrastructure including educational, health care, child care etc. infrastructure;
- Creation of a joint information systems giving the possibility of institutional contacts for cross-border activities;
- Research and feedback for establishment of common social and public services including health care cooperation;
- Activities encouraging human resource management and equal opportunities of the vulnerable groups to the labor market;

photos.

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9.	Joint cooperation projects on development of skills and	Number of successfully implemented joint cooperation projects on development of skills and	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report.
	knowledge	knowledge.		Other information source: Lists of participants /organizations / institutions involved in the joint events, education courses. Project personnel contracts, labor contracts for the employed people, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, photos of the implemented events and activities, on the spot checks, etc.
10.	Training places created	Number of created training places under the programme.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report.
		 Activities, related to this indicator may include: • implementation of cross-border training initiatives and vocational education schemes in the tourism and manufacturing sectors; • creation of information networks for e-services; • supply of specialized equipment for training places etc. 		Other information source: Certificates/permits for performance of training activities, issued by respective national authority; on-the-spot checks; photos.
11.	Management and job-related training courses	Job-related training courses carried out under projects.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report.
		Management training: Vocational or specific training aimed at enhancing management and analytic skills of trainees, such as planning, accounting, finance, marketing, business communications, project		Other information source: Contracts; training programmes; attendance lists; invitations; certificates of the trainees;

management, human resources management,

	I	inventory management, management of the different		
		economic sectors (agriculture, industry, trade,		
		transport, services), etc.		
		Job-related training: Vocational or specific training		
		aimed to improve the qualification or skills required		
		to find a job or to be employed.		
12.	People participating in training	People participated and successfully finished training	Number	Interim progress reports and
12.	reopie participating in training	courses/trainings under the projects.	Number	Final project report.
				Other information source:
				List of participants in the
				training courses, training
				programmes, invitations,
				certificates for the trainees,
				photos, contracts, etc.
13.	People with enhanced skills	People participated and successfully finished training	Number	Interim progress reports and
		courses/trainings; participated in targeted transfer of		Final project report.
		expertise, know-how, technology transfer, scientific		Other information source:
		and cultural exchange actions; participated in human		Attendance lists, invitations,
		resource development activities aiming to match		elaborated materials, minutes,
		skills to the labour market demands and		photos, contracts, etc.
		requirements.		priotos, contracts, etc.
14.	Business to education linkages	Linkages established during the implementation of	Number	Interim progress reports and
		projects among institutions - stakeholders in the CBC		Final project report.
		process.		Other information source:
		The indicator measures only newly created linkages,		Written proves for the
		which are equivalent to partnerships or cooperation		establishment of partnerships,
		and connection between educational institutions and		partnership memoranda,
		business.		memoranda of understanding,
				signed by business organization
				and education institutions. Lists
				of participants of joint events,
				education courses, training
				programmes, invitations,
				certificates for the trainees,
				photos. List of involved

15.	People from vulnerable groups trained	Number of persons from vulnerable* social groups, which participate in joint activities and events on either side of the border aiming to improve their skills so as to match the labour market demands and requirements. Only participants in events belonging to vulnerable groups shall be included in the value of indicator. The indicator does not include participants of the events, which are related solely to the implementation and management of the project (i.e. meetings of the project steering/management committee, etc.). * Vulnerable groups are defined as those who are likely to have additional needs and experience poorer outcomes if these needs are not met, i.e. disabled, long-term unemployed, ethnic minorities, persons with dependencies, population.	Number	organizations, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, minutes, etc. Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, invitations, training programmes, materials, minutes, photos, contracts, etc.
16.	Scientific exchange and transfer of know-how	Projects related to joint scientific transfer and exchange of know how, modern information, communication technologies and best practices.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, list of involved organizations, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, minutes from the working meetings, photos of the implemented events and activities, etc.
17.	Networking structures created/developed	Number of networking cross-border structures which are established under Sphere 1.2 of the Programme. Cross-border cooperation structures may involve:	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report.

		joint working groups, signed long term co-operation agreements, tourism information points, which disseminate information about tourism services on both sides of the border, business information points, which serve entrepreneurs on both sides of the border, etc. The established cross-border cooperation structures normally shall have to be operational by the end of the project and have the potential to remain operational after its end. The indicator does not include structures, which are related solely to the implementation and management of the project (i.e. project team, steering/management committees, etc.).		Other information source: Written proves for the establishment of partnerships, partnership memoranda, memoranda of understanding, signed by institutions. Lists of participants of joint events, education courses, training programmes, invitations, certificates for the trainees, photos. List of involved organizations, copy of documents for implemented training courses/ certificates, minutes, etc.
18.	Joint plans for cooperation in sphere of human resources management	Projects related to activities for human resource management - cooperation between the education, the qualification institutions and the labour market.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Personnel contracts, labor contracts for the employed people. List of participants in the training courses, training programmes, materials, invitations, certificates for the trainees, photos, contracts, etc.

Sphere of intervention 1.3. Project preparation

Indicative activities to be supported within the economic development sphere of intervention:

- Creation and promotion of common cross-border products and services;
- Pre-feasibility and feasibility studies preparation;
- •Technical and detailed works design;
- Elaboration of engineering-design documents;
- Environmental impact assessments etc.

19.	Feasibility studies	 Number of feasibility studies elaborated under the project. The activity should refer to: Economic, technical, marketing or other prefeasibility and feasibility studies; Research and information services – creation of Data Bases, Internet platforms, Technical Studies, etc; Joint studies on climate change impacts on the area and joint action plans for reducing these impacts; Implementation of programs and systems for observations, data gathering, data storage and dissemination, including institutional capacity building. 	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Copy of the elaborated studies, list of participants at the meetings, minutes of the working groups, ToRs, contracts etc. Copies of the whole documentation, proving the correspondence of the activities to the existing rules and legislation, list of people / institutions involved, etc.
20.	Preliminary and detailed works design	Number of implemented preliminary and detailed works design during the projects. These may include: detailed project designs, architectural and engineering designs, and all the necessary supportive documentation, including bills of quantities and tendering documents. The preliminary and detailed design works should be in accordance with the appropriate legislation and certified by the respective national authorities.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Copy of the elaborated designs and analyses, list of participants at the meetings, minutes of the working groups, ToRs, contracts etc. Copies of the whole documentation, proving the correspondence of the activities to the existing rules and legislation, list of people/institutions involved, copy of technical documentation, contracts, etc.
21.	Project environmental assessments	Number of environmental impact assessments, implemented according to the applicable law in the cross-border area.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Copy of the elaborated

	assessments and analyses, list of participants at the meetings, minutes of the working groups, ToRs, contracts. Copies of the whole documentation, proving the correspondence of the
	activities to the existing rules and legislation, etc.

PRIORITY AXIS 2. IMPROVEMENT THE QUALITY OF LIFE

Sphere of intervention 2.1. Utilization of Eco Resources

Indicative activities to be supported within the Utilization of eco resources sphere of intervention:

- Networking and cooperation between the existing environmental institutions;
- Improvement and construction of small-scale infrastructure addressing natural sites;
- Activities for joint management and protection of the environment,
- Joint solutions for great variety of biodiversity safeguarding;
- Elaboration and implementation of pollution prevention plans for the border area and training/educational programmes;
- Reduction of negative effects of economic activities on the environment and encouraging of friendly environmental economic activities;
- Harmonized activities for early warning and prevention of natural disasters;
- Cross-border tourism (services, products, facilities, etc.) development based on the opportunities for sustainable use of natural resources;
- Awareness raising campaigns for natural wealth and protection etc.;
- •Activities for reducing greenhouse gases in order to mitigate the climate change (promotion of new technologies and innovations including promotion of use of renewable energy resources; adaptation plans including a forestation and forest conservation and transformation of low-productivity lands in forest and pastures, etc.);
- Activities for mitigation of environmental pollution in mining sites (for example exchange of experience, cross-border studies, elaboration of sustainable management plans, etc.).

22.	Number of joint environmental	Number of successfully implemented joint	Number	Interim progress reports and
	friendly projects	environmental projects.		Final project report.
		The projects should be implemented by stakeholders from the two sides of the border in order to		Other information source: Works contracts; protocols on
		contribute for environment preservation, sustainable		acceptance of works; photos of
		use of energy, etc.		the implemented activities; list
		Projects may also be related to initiatives for		of participants from the events;
		Trojects may also be related to illitiatives for		minutes of meetings;

		improvement and construction of small-scale infrastructure addressing natural sites: water, soil and wet areas; operational protection on the negative effect of flood phenomena; investment in specialized equipment and technologies for nature protection etc.		cooperation agreements, memoranda of understanding; decrees on establishment of working group/committee etc.; on the spot checks.
23.	Joint Eco-itineraries created/ developed	Number of created/developed joint eco-itineraries. The project activities should be directed to the creation / development of eco-routes, including improvement / construction of the related infrastructure (places for visitors, etc.)	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Works contracts. Protocols on acceptance of works, photos of the implemented activities, list of participants from the meetings, visitors of the objects, etc. On the spot checks.
24.	Joint tourist services created/ developed	Common cross-border tourist products and services developed under projects funded by Sphere 2.1. of the Programme. Tourism products may related to active leisure activities (cycling, bird watching, golf, go-karting, hunting, tennis, skiing, water entertainment, etc.), business tourism (meetings, incentives, conferencing, exhibitions, etc.), health activities, educational activities, etc.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of participants in the working groups, list of involved organizations, minutes from the work meetings. Written proves for created common tourist services, contracts, etc.
25.	Partnerships for cases of natural disasters established	Number of partnerships established. The term partnership refers to connection, cooperation, and/or joint work between the involved authorities/organization, responsible for natural disasters management in the cross-border region. The indicator measures only newly created partnerships under projects funded by Sphere 2.1. of the Programme.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Written proofs for establishment of partnerships, such as Partnership memoranda, Memoranda of understanding, Cooperation agreements, Decrees on establishment of working

26.	Joint environmental management	Number of environmental management plans plans	Number	group/committee, etc. signed by partner organizations; minutes of kick-off and/or working group meetings; photographs; media materials, etc. Interim progress reports and
20.	plans	for: nature protected areas; biodiversity safeguarding; educational and training programmes. The plans could be for territories/objects situated on either side of the border or spanning on both sides of the border. The plans should be done according to the applicable law of the country whose territories it concerns.	Number	Final project report. Other information source: Copy of the actual environmental plan; Copies of the documentation, proving adherence with existing rules and legislation; list of people/institutions involved during elaboration; contracts, etc.
27.	Permanent networks for environmental protection and reasonable utilization of resources	Number of networking cross-border structures which are established under the project, concerning protection of the environment and reasonable utilization of natural resources. Cross border cooperation structures may involve: joint working groups, signed long term co-operation agreements, jointly planned and implemented activities between existing environmental institutions on both sides of the border, etc. The established networks normally shall have to remain operational after the end of the project. The indicator does not include structures, which are related solely to the implementation and management of the project (i.e. project team, steering/ management committees, etc.).	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Cooperation agreements; decrees on establishment of working group/committee; minutes of the working group meetings; photographs; media materials, etc.
28.	Environmental awareness	Joint public awareness and cross-border information	Number	Interim progress reports and
	campaigns	campaigns for environmental protection under the		Final project report.

projects.	Other information source: Attendance lists, invitations, information materials, press releases, photos, contracts, etc.
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Sphere of intervention 2.2. Utilization of Cultural Resources

Indicative activities to be supported within the Utilization of cultural resources sphere of intervention:

- Cross-border collaboration of cultural institutions and organizations;
- •Creation of new common cross-border cultural products and services;
- Activities for development of cultural tourism as a factor for increase of employment;
- Establishment of information networks for promotion of common cultural heritage in the region;
- Development and construction of small-scale infrastructure related to cultural sites;
- •Exchange of best practices and know-how in the sphere of revival and preservation of the cultural heritage, promotion of cultural sites and their transformation into tourist sites;
- Elaboration of models for the management of cultural sites;
- Activities reducing and avoiding negative effects of economy on the authenticity of the cultural heritage;
- Cultural cooperation through development of joint traditional and new festivals, exhibitions, cultural events, etc.

30.	Tourist destinations created/ developed	Tourist destination* created / developed as a result of the project activities.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report.
		* A tourist destination could be defined as a city, town, or other area that is dependent to a significant extent on the revenues accruing from tourism. It may contain one or more tourist attractions and possibly some "tourist traps."		Other information source: Written proves for created tourist destinations – prefeasibility studies, description, strategy and action plan, routs, etc. Works contracts, Supervision protocol and protocols on acceptance of works, photos of the improved infrastructure, on the spot checks, etc.
31.	Tourist services created/ developed	Common cross-border tourist products and services developed under projects funded by Sphere 2.2 of the Programme.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of involved organizations, photos. Joint databases. Written proves of data collection and summarization. Written proves for created tourist services, contracts, minutes, memoranda, press releases, etc.
32.	Surrounding area of cultural spots improved	Number of surrounding areas of cultural spots – improvement and development of related infrastructure for tourist objects and areas.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of involved organizations, photos of the implemented sites and activities. Joint databases (in electronic version). Written proves of data collection and summarization. Written proves for created surrounding areas of cultural spots, contracts,

33.	Joint cultural events carried out	Cultural events (artistic performances, plays, exhibitions, fairs, concerts, happenings, feasts, etc.) carried out under projects. The value of the indicator includes summarizing number of all of the events, carried out under 1 project.	Number	minutes, Works contracts. Supervision protocol and protocols on acceptance of works, visitors of the objects, on the spot checks, etc. Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of participants in the cultural events, list of involved organizations, visitors, photos of the implemented activities. Joint databases (in electronic version). Written proves of data collection and summarization,
34.	Events popularizing intangible cultural heritage and traditions	 Number of joint cultural events carried out the project duration, related to: encouragement/revitalization of traditional craftsmanship, traditional customs and cultural heritage; development of cultural tourism for increase of employment; management of cultural and rural sites. 	Number	photos, on the spot checks, etc. Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of involved peoples and organizations, photos; Joint databases (in electronic version); Written proves of data collection and summarization; Contracts, minutes, press releases, etc.
35.	Awareness campaigns	Informational/ promotional campaigns carried out by one or combinations of means: public meetings, mass media advertising, etc. under projects.	Number	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, invitations, information materials, press releases, photos, contracts, etc.

II.2. Result indicators

No	Indicator	Description of Indicator	Measurement Unit	Information Source
PRIO	RITY AXIS 1. ECONOMIC DEVELOPI	MENT AND SOCIAL COHESION		
Sphe	re of intervention 1.1. Economic d	evelopment		
1.	Joint information services established	Projects related to development and promotion of new joint information services regarding the establishment of links and networking on institutional, business and education levels, joint databases, information services for entrepreneurs active in the border region; preparation of joint research studies for market opportunities on both sides of the border; vocational education schemes in the tourism, manufacturing sectors and joint information systems. Also the indicator may include projects related to small-scale infrastructure reconstructed / rehabilitated under works contracts.	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, invitations, minutes, press releases, publications, photos. Works contracts, protocols on acceptance of works, photos of the improved infrastructure, of the spot checks, etc.
2.	Increased cross-border movement of people and exchange of goods and services in the region	Projects related to creation of new common cross-border products and services, development of green-, rural-, cultural- eco- etc. tourism, organization of cross-border cultural and business events, seminars, workshops, exchange of goods and services in the region; joint actions for business-support of cross-border business activities; initiatives for development of a common labour market.	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Lists of participants of joint events, seminars, workshops, invitations, certificates for the events, photos. List of involved organizations, minutes, photos contracts, press releases, publications.
Sphe	re of intervention 1.2. Social cohes	sion		
3.	New Social Economic enterprises created	Projects related to initiatives for creation of a joint information systems for institutional contacts; research of common social and public services including health	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report.

		care cooperation; implementation of vocational education schemes in the tourism, manufacturing sectors and joint information systems. Projects related to reconstruction / rehabilitation of social infrastructure centres for educational, health care.		Other information source: List of participants in the working groups, list of involved organizations, minutes from the social meetings, photos of the implemented events and activities. Works contracts, supervision protocol and protocols on acceptance of works, photos of the improved infrastructure, on the spot checks, etc.
4.	Improved environment for development of relationships across the border	Projects related to preparation of joint research studies for market opportunities and introduction of the joint planning of the regional development, creation of cooperation between the education and the business, development of training, best practices transfer, scientific exchange and educational facilities for knowledge based economy, popularization of networking opportunities on both sides of the border.	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, minutes, press releases, publications, etc.
Shere	e of intervention 1.3. Project prep	aration		
5.	Projects actually applied	Projects actually applied after the pre-feasibility and feasibility studies, technical and detailed works designs and project environmental assessments / implemented according to the applicable law in the cross-border area /.	Number of projects	Register of project proposals submitted.
PRIO	RITY AXIS 2. IMPROVEMENT THE (QUALITY OF LIFE		
Sphe	re of intervention 2.1. Utilization	of Eco Resources		
6.	Decreased pollution in the region	Projects generally related to decreasing the pollution in the region, which include joint initiatives for preservation and utilization of natural resources through construction of small-scale infrastructure addressing natural sites: water, soil and wet areas;	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Works contracts, final acceptance protocols, technical

		 The activities may refer to: reducing the emissions of industrial and fuel harmful agents in the atmosphere; wastes and wastes management, collection of solid and liquid wastes; filtrating of waste water, noise levels, etc. 		documentation, on the spot checks, photos, etc.
7.	Awareness-raising on environmental protection	Projects related to joint public awareness and cross-border information campaigns for environmental protection and sustainable use of regional resources; expanding the common knowledge regarding the sustainable and joint use of regional resources – at economic, social and eco level.	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: Attendance lists, list of involved organizations, minutes from the meetings, photos of the implemented events, press releases, publications, etc.
Sphe	re of intervention 2.2. Utilization	of Cultural Resources		
8.	Increased attractiveness of the region based on preservation of natural resources and cultural heritage	Projects related to re/construction or rehabilitation of small-scale infrastructure related to cultural site; information/ education/ visit centers, creation of better infrastructure for tourist visits - new roads constructed; hiking and cycling trails, joint eco-itineraries etc.	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source: List of participants in the cultural and eco events, list of involved organizations, visitors, photos of the implemented activities. Works contracts, technical documentation, supervision protocol and protocols on acceptance of works, photos of the improved infrastructure, on the spot checks, press releases, publications, etc.
9.	Increased common cultural capital	Projects related to initiatives for cross-border collaboration between cultural institutions and organizations and management of cultural and rural	Number of projects	Interim progress reports and Final project report. Other information source:

Encouraging improvement of cultural networks through	Lists of participants
joint initiatives for utilization of cultural resources.	/organizations / institutions
Encouragement/revitalization of traditional	involved in the joint cultural
craftsmanship, traditional customs and cultural	events. Training programmes,
heritage.	certificates for the trainees.
	Written proves for created
	common cultural/ tourism
	products and services, photos,
	joint databases (in electronic
	version), etc.