



23-06-2022

WBIF 2nd Strategic and 3rd Operational Board Meetings

On 21 and 22 June, the Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF) held its 2nd Strategic Board and 3rd Operational Board Meetings in Rome, hosted by the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance. The WBIF Operational Board expressed a positive opinion on 12 projects for a total of €60 million IPA grants.

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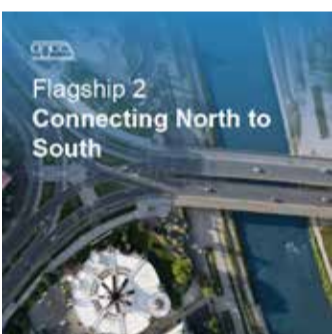
20-05-2022

33rd WBIF Project Financiers' Group Meeting

On 18 and 19 May 2022, the Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF) held its 33rd Project Financiers' Group Meeting (PFG). Over 100 participants attended this in-person meeting, the first after the two years of pandemic.

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Economic and Investment Plan: Flagship projects update



04-07-2022

EU and EBRD to finance road section from Skopje to the Kosovo* border

The EU and the EBRD are financing a new motorway section in North Macedonia. An EU investment grant of €20.8 million, as well as €8.8 million in funding for technical cooperation will be complemented by a €167.6 million loan from the EBRD to construct the motorway.

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04-07-2022

EU and EBRD to support transition to solar energy in North Macedonia

The EU is supporting ESM, the state-owned electricity company, to implement a 30 MW photovoltaic (PV) project consisting of 10 MW on a portion of the exhausted coal mine of thermal power plant Oslomej, and 20 MW adjacent to the thermal power plant Bitola.

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14-06-2022

Contract signed for the construction of a wastewater treatment plant in Podgorica

The contract signed for the construction of a wastewater treatment plant in Podgorica officially marked the beginning of the building of a new plant, as well as a sludge incineration plant, and extension of the sewerage network.

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08-06-2022

EU helps energy efficiency in public buildings in Sarajevo Canton

As part of the Regional Energy Efficiency Programme (REEP/REEP Plus) for the Western Balkans, works on the kindergarten "Labudovi" in Sarajevo were completed to improve the energy efficiency of the preschool institution.

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12-05-2022

EU supports greener buildings in Prizren, Kosovo*

The EU will provide €1 million investment grant to Kosovo to help it improve the energy efficiency of public buildings such as kindergartens, schools and primary healthcare facilities. Complementing the EU grant, the EBRD is extending a €5 million loan for this project.

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28-04-2022

EU extends additional €45 million in grants for Corridor Vc in BiH

The EU is stepping up its support for Corridor Vc, the key transport infrastructure project in Bosnia and Herzegovina, with additional grant funding of €45.2 million for two motorway sections - Poprikuše-Nemila and Ivan Tunnel.

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Preparing Flagship investments: Technical Assistance update



11-07-2022

CONNECTA workshop 'Technical Assistance for Smart and Sustainable Mobility'

The second workshop within CONNECTA's sub-project included the presentation of the current status of the conducted activities, as well as the presentation of the global situation with the electric vehicle and e-charging.

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30-06-2022

The EU funds technical assistance for the Durres Wastewater Management Project in Albania

The WBIF project aims to improve the living conditions of the 350,000 inhabitants in the Durrës region by separation of the stormwater and sewerage network, and to maximise the load of the existing wastewater treatment plant.

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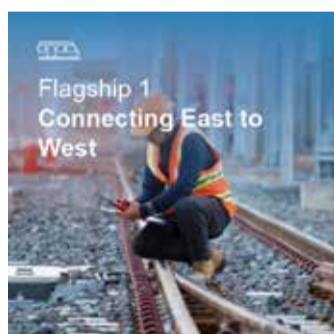


02-06-2022

The EU continues to support implementation of connectivity transport reform measures

An event was hosted by CONNECTA and the Transport Community to present the sub-projects' objectives, strategic approach and expected results. The event brought together regional representatives, EU Delegations and International Financial Institutions.

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01-06-2022

EU funded modernisation of the Stalać – Kraljevo – Rudnica railway line in Serbia

The European Union through the Western Balkans Investment Framework funds the Technical Assistance for the Reconstruction and Modernization of the part of Orient/East-Med Rail Corridor Route 11 section from Stalać to Kraljevo and Route 10 section from Kraljevo to Rudnica.

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WBIF Partner initiatives



07-06-2022

Western Balkans Road Summit, "Shaping the future: safe, smart and sustainable roads"

Development of the indicative extension of TEN-T Road Network to the Western Balkans will bring the region closer together and integrate it with the EU. This was acknowledged by all Western Balkans Transport ministers during the summit.

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13-04-2022

Exhibition "EU support for the transport sector in Serbia"

In an effort to bring the citizens of Niš closer to the development priorities for Serbia in the transport sector, the exhibition titled "EU support for the transport sector in Serbia" was set up in the premises of the EU Info Point in Niš.

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WBIF Feature stories



Harnessing artificial intelligence for train safety

Meet the railway robot invented by a team of scientists from Serbia to keep passengers safe! To comply with international railway regulations, locomotives must be inspected frequently. This can involve visual inspection, more detailed measuring, or opening a part of the vehicle.

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The €120 million in Ecoloans for the Western Balkans

Help is now at hand for the Western Balkans for investments in energy efficiency and renewable agencies. The Ecoloans programme, funded by KfW Development Bank is on track to support Western Balkan partners to overcome the limited access to finance.

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