

Fact Sheet

ENPI CBC Hungary-Slovakia-Romania-Ukraine Programme

TOTAL ALLOCATION (2007-2013):
68.638 million EUR

ELIGIBLE REGIONS:

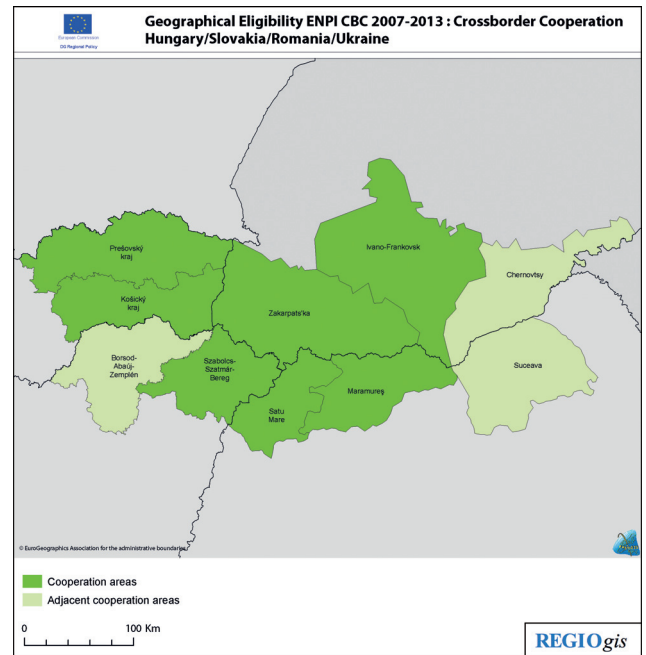
Hungary: Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg
(adjoining region: Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén)

Slovakia: Kosický, Presovský

Romania: Maramureş, Satu-Mare
(adjoining region: Suceava)

Ukraine: Zakarpatska, Ivano-Frankivska,
(adjoining region: Chernivetska)

The participation of Suceava and Chernivetska is restricted (e.g. no Lead partner from the regions, participation in soft projects etc.).



Source: European Commission

The overall objective of the programme, as agreed by all countries participating is as follows: “to intensify and deepen the cooperation in an environmentally, socially and economically sustainable way between Zakarpatska, Ivano-Frankivska and Chernivetska regions of Ukraine and eligible and adjacent areas of Hungary, Romania and Slovakia”.

PRIORITIES:

1. Promote economic and social development:

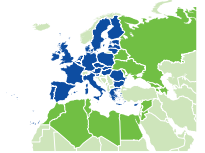
knowledge transfer and practice-sharing to promote joint developments of businesses and increase turistic attractiveness of the area. This should include:

- The harmonised development of tourism (Measure 1.1);
- The creation of better conditions for SME’s and business development: to boost the performance of the SME sector in the border area by increasing market knowledge and creating better infrastructural services for existing businesses as well as potential investors (Measure 1.2).

2. Enhance environmental quality:

to enhance the quality of air, waters, soil and forestry resources and reduce risks of damages on natural environment. This should include:

- Environmental protection, sustainable use and management of natural resources, including energy (Measure 2.1).



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- Emergency preparedness to improve preparedness of the authorities and inhabitants of the border region for the management of emergency situations caused by natural disasters such as floods, fires, avalanches and landslides as well as industrial accidents generating cross-border pollution impact and to improve the effectiveness of environmental monitoring activities (Measure 2.2).
- 3. Increase border efficiency:**
to increase the efficiency of the border management on the Ukrainian border. This should include:
- The improvement of border-crossing transport infrastructure and equipment at border controls: to increase the capability of borders with Ukraine to manage freight and passenger traffic by increasing capacities of existing infrastructure, supporting the establishment of infrastructure for new border crossing points as well as improving coordination at border crossing points (Measure 3.1).
- 4. Support people to people cooperation:**
To improve the effectiveness of public services and increase mutual understanding of various groups of the society. This should include:
- Institutional cooperation to improve the effectiveness of public services by promoting cooperative actions mainly in the field of public administration and services such as employment, education, health and culture as well as crime prevention and custom procedures (Measure 4.1).
 - Small scale "people-to-people" cooperation to increase mutual understanding of various groups of the society and promote exchange of ideas with special emphasis on promoting local governance and democracy and favouring cooperation in social, educational, cultural and media fields (Measure 4.2).

STATE OF PLAY:

The programme was adopted by the European Commission on 23 September 2008. The first Monitoring Committee will be organised in December 2008 and the first call for proposals is expected to be launched at the beginning of 2009. The first round of projects is expected to be approved in April 2009. Projects might start in the second quarter of 2009 provided Ukraine has signed the Financing Agreement with the European Commission.

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