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| Call type: 1st Open Call of Proposals | |
| Acronym & Project code | ROHU00172 CCSA |
| Project title | **"Closer to citizens for a safer area"** |
| Priority | PRIORITY 3: A more sustainable, community-based and effective cross-border cooperation |
| Specific  Objective | Specific objective Interreg ISO6.3 - Building up mutual trust, in particular by encouraging people-to-people actions |
| Implementation period | 12 months (07th of March 2025 – 6th of March 2026) |
| Objective | The project aims to implement transformative change by significantly enhancing public awareness of border control measures and legal provisions in cross-border areas |
| Partnership | Lead Partner:  Avram Iancu Border Police Training School Oradea (RO) |
| Project partner:  PP 2: Police Education and Training Center (HU) |
| Total budget | EUR 154,339.92out of which ERDF EUR 123,471.93 |
| Summary | The project **Closer to citizens for a safer area *(ROHU00172 - CCSA)*** responds to a significant territorial challenge that looms over the program area, spanning both Romania and Hungary. This issue revolves around a lack of public understanding concerning border control, security measures, and related legal provisions. This knowledge gap poses considerable challenges and risks to the region, as it leads to confusion, potential legal complications, and operational inefficiencies at border checkpoints.  The project's innovative and comprehensive approach to tackling common challenges in the field of border control and public understanding sets it apart from existing practices. The development of a comprehensive guide, the use of modern communication tools, the establishment of digital information centers, and cross-border collaboration all contribute to a project that goes beyond existing practices in the sector, program area, and participating countries. |
| Main results | * Setting-up **two Digital Information Centers,** in Romania and Hungary,which will improve public awareness and understanding of border control measures in the eligible cross-border areas * Organization of **2 workshops,** in order to produce **a guide of best practices** to inform the citizens about border related measures * Organization of **2 public information campaigns**, aimed at enhancing public awareness and understanding of border control measures, legal provisions, and compliance with the state border's legal regime, while also addressing the prevention of illegal migration |