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## 2. OVERVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME (Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(3)(a) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

### **Key information on the implementation of the cooperation programme for the year concerned, including on financial instruments, with relation to the financial and indicator data.**

The present Report provides a brief overview of activities undertaken in relation to the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme, during its implementation and particularly in 2023. The report was prepared by the Romanian MDPWA, acting as the MA, with the support of the JS and in cooperation with the other relevant Programme's structures. The MC approved the ROHU FIR for 2023 on (month/day).

The Programme reached all N3 targets, from 2018 to 2022. To achieve the goals set for the year 2023, despite the unforeseen circumstances (e.g. the war in Ukraine, increased prices, etc), the Programme took specific measures to overcome all bottlenecks at the projects' level. Thus, by the end of 2023, 144 million EUR ERDF had been requested from the European Commission.

**Up to date, 53 payment applications were submitted to the COM, in amount of 182,8 ERDF, which means a final absorption rate of 96,67%.**

Altogether, 116 projects were contracted, with a total value of 188.11 million EUR ERDF, representing 99.47% of the programme budget, of which one project was signed in 2023, with a value of 137,532 EUR ERDF. At the end of 2023, 103 projects were completed (of which 40 projects during 2023), one project was terminated, 11 projects were classified under Emergency Ordinance 36/2023 as not completed and one project was classified as not functional. The monitoring of indicators achievement at the Programme level was still ongoing. However, for 5 indicators (1 under PA1, 2 under PA2, one under PA4, and one under PA6) the values set up at the Programme level have been successfully reached and approved by the MA, based on the projects' Final Reports. **Up to date, all indicators set for the Programme have been reached.**

Among the most important decisions of the Monitoring Committee during 2023 was the **modification of the Cooperation Programme, for the Reallocation of unused funds (ERDF)**, considering that 2023 was the final year of Programme implementation, the projects & Programme implementation status, COM fact funding mission from December, 2022 but also the previously elaborated and approved *Methodology of over contracting for projects within the open calls for proposals (version 2) in the context of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme*, approved by the partner Member States and *Methodology on how to use the available ERDF allocation in the context of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme*, approved by MC Decision 206/04.11.2022.

Also, considering that following contracting and implementation of 63 (out of 99) projects selected under Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme (PAs 1-6), ERDF funding has become available and to be used according to the legal and procedural framework in force, transparently and efficiently, so that to ensure the best possible performances of the Programme.

The Monitoring Committee (MC) of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme met online, on February 3rd 2023, to decide (through MC Decision No 222/20 of February 2023) the release of the amount of **EUR 21,830,030.96 ERDF** and usage of the available funding.

Also, through Decision 261/26.10.2023, the Monitoring Committee approved the Action plan (tasks) for closure of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme, including projects declared as not-finalised, as defined under Art 3, letter j) of the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023 regarding the general procedural framework for the closure of the operational programmes financed in the 2014-2020 programming period: j) not-finalised project/operation - an operation/project which has not been physically completed or fully implemented by 31 December 2023 and for which the beneficiaries take responsibility for the full achievement of the indicators and targets from their own resources and ensure the projects' functionality by 31 December 2024, and this meaning is only applicable in relation to the closure of the 2014-2020 operational programmes and the 2014-2020 ETC programmes".

The Closure Plan was revised on need, and up to date, 6 projects are still not-finalised under Interreg V-A Ro-Hu Programme, aiming to fully respect their obligations until end of 2026.

Among the most impactful measures taken by the Programme to enhance the performance of the projects towards reaching the targets, after being confronted with delays occurred during the pandemic and deviations of costs following the war in Ukraine, were the following: reallocation of savings/available funds to projects in need of additional financing (Normal and Strategic projects), up to the Programme's eligibility thresholds, to use the ERDF allocation; extension of the deadline for the submission of the partner reports for FLC verification until 26th January 2024 (acc. to the action plan for the closure of the Interreg V-A ROHU Programme), to enhance projects financial performances; introducing the possibility to submit the procurement documentations for FLC verification, before reporting the incurred costs, to accelerate the validation process; amending project as non-functional/not finalized, thus avoiding the loss of the already paid amounts.

Impact evaluation of the Programme was performed during 2023. Its overall objective was to produce specific knowledge on the impact, effectiveness, and sustainability of the Programme.

No call for proposals was launched during 2023. However, since the activities to prepare the Interreg VI-A Romania-Hungary Programme started, on June 26th, 2023, the 1st Open Call within the Interreg VI-A Romania-Hungary Programme was launched. In this context, the Applicant's Guide package, the JEMS ROHU User manual v.1 was elaborated, and helpdesk throughout the submission period was made available; Also, 2 State Aid schemes (approved in 16.05.2023 by the Romanian Competition Council and by the Ministry of Development, Public Works and Administration from Romania) for the Interreg VI-A ROHU. The 1st Monitoring Committee Meeting of the Interreg VI-A Romania-Hungary Programme was held in Szeged, on May 22nd, 2023.

### 3. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PRIORITY AXIS

#### 3.1 Overview of the implementation

ID	Priority axis	Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems
PA1	Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)	<p>PA1 falls under the TO6, Ips 6/b and 6/c. The initial allocation was launched within both types of Calls for proposals, Restricted for strategic projects and Open for normal projects. Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 6,750,163 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated from other PAs and awarded to projects under implementation on PA1 as additional funding and to cover the over-contracted ERDF) and through MC Decision 275/22.12.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 292,538.00 ERDF (additional funding awarded to ROHU126), so the final allocation on PA1 becomes EUR 50,110,216 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, within the projects covering PA1, 75 project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 14,342,929.03 (EUR 11,824,947.70 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 47 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 14,772,462.93 (EUR 12,089,664.39 ERDF).</p> <p>At the beginning of 2023, 9 projects were still under implementation, out of which 6 were finalized during 2023, and 3 were classified as not-finalized projects, according to Art 3, letter i) of the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023 (OUG 36/2023) regarding the general procedural framework for the closure of the operational programmes financed in the 2014-2020 programming period. The list of not-finalized projects was approved through MC Decision 276/18.12.2023. All 3 projects finalized the implementation in 2024.</p> <p>Identified problems: prolongations of the implementation period, technical changes, budgetary reallocations. Measures taken: permanent support provided to beneficiaries, approval of extension/other modifications of the projects (12 Addenda to the Subsidy Contracts concluded from 2023 up to date).</p>
PA2	Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)	<p>PA2 falls under the TO7, Ips 7/b and 7/c. The initial allocation available was launched within both types of Calls for proposals, Restricted for strategic projects and Open for normal projects. Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was decreased with EUR 22,185.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated to other PAs) and through MC Decision 275/22.12.2023, the ERDF allocation was decreased with EUR 33,958.00 ERDF, so the final allocation on PA2 becomes EUR 17,212,104.00 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, within the projects covering PA2, 14 project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 810,723.68 (EUR 689,115.07 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 10 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 458,552.34 (EUR 389,769.44 ERDF).</p> <p>At the beginning of 2023, 2 projects were still in implementation (ROHU444 within 7/b and ROHU422 within Ip 7/c). Project ROHU422 was finalized during 2023, while ROHU444 remained under implementation in 2024, being classified as not-finalized projects, according to Art 3, letter i) of the</p>

ID	Priority axis	<b>Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems</b>
		<p>Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023 (OUG 36/2023). The list of not-finalized projects was approved through MC Decision 276/18.12.2023. ROHU444 finalized the implementation by the end of 2024.</p> <p>Identified problems: prolongations of the implementation period, technical changes, budgetary reallocations, minor changes in the AF. Measures taken - permanent support provided to beneficiaries, approval of extension/other modifications of the projects (7 Addenda to the Subsidy Contracts concluded from 2023 up to date).</p>
PA3	Improve employment and promote cross-border labour mobility (Cooperating on employment)	<p>PA3 falls under the TO8, Ips 8/b. The initial allocation available was launched within both types of Calls for proposals, Restricted for strategic projects and Open for normal projects. Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 2,360,721.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated from other PAs and awarded as additional funding to projects under implementation on PA3) and through MC Decision 275/22.12.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 159,052.00 ERDF (additional funding awarded to ROHU331 and ROHU391), so the final allocation on PA3 becomes EUR 33,193,568.00 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, under this PA, 12 projects were under implementation. By the end year, 110 project reports were submitted with reported costs of EUR 6,555,808.82 (EUR 5,558,947.02 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 47 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 12,407,933.55 (EUR 8,566,170.65 ERDF).</p> <p>At the end of 2023, 9 projects were finalized while 2 projects were classified as not-finalized and 1 project as non-functional, according to Art 3, letter i) of the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023. The lists of not-finalized and non-functional projects were approved through MC Decision 276/18.12.2023. 1 project was finalized in 2024 and the other was reclassified as non-functional project.</p> <p>The updated list of the non-functional projects was approved, through MC Decision 281/25.11.2024.</p> <p>Problems identified: prolongations of the implementation period, budgetary reallocations, updates of the activities, minor changes of the applications. Measures taken: approval of extension/other modifications of the projects (26 Addenda to the Subsidy Contracts concluded from 2023 up to date).</p>
PA4	Improving health-care services (Cooperating on health-care and prevention)	<p>PA4 falls under the TO 9, Ip 9/a. The allocation available was launched within both types of Calls for proposals, Restricted for strategic projects and Open for normal projects.</p> <p>Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was decreased with EUR 9,841,176.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated to other PAs and awarded as additional funding to projects under implementation or to cover the over-contracted ERDF) and through MC Decision 275/22.12.2023, the ERDF allocation was decreased with EUR 282,719.00 ERDF (to be awarded as additional funding on other PAs), so the final allocation on PA4 becomes EUR 62,222,805.00 ERDF.</p> <p>During 2023, 84 project reports were submitted with reported costs of EUR 15,806,514.36 (EUR 13,281,865.76 ERDF).</p>

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		<p>From 2024 up to date, 33 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 15,738,219.18 (EUR 13,356,044.09 ERDF).</p> <p>In 2023, under this PA, 8 projects were under implementation, out of which 4 projects were finalized while the other 4 projects were classified as not-finalized, according to Art 3, letter i) of the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023. The lists of not-finalized and non-functional projects were approved through MC Decision 276/18.12.2023. In 2024, 1 project was finalized while the other 3 were reclassified as non-functional. The updated list of the non-functional projects was approved, through MC Decision 282/02.12.2024.</p> <p>Problems identified: prolongations of the implementation period, budgetary reallocations, major changes in the AF, changes of activities, etc. Measures taken: approval of extension/other modifications of the projects (23 Addenda to the Subsidy Contracts concluded from 2023 up to date).</p>
PA5	Improve risk-prevention and disaster management (Cooperating on risk prevention and disaster management)	<p>PA 5 falls under the TO5, Ip 5/b. The allocation available was launched within the 1st Open Call for normal projects. Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 585,968.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated from other PAs to cover the over-contracted ERDF on PA5), and through MC Decision 275/22.12.2023, the ERDF allocation was decreased with EUR 134,913.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated to other PAs), so the final allocation on PA5 becomes EUR 11,473,190.00 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, under PA5, 2 projects were under implementation. By the end year, 12 project reports were submitted with reported costs of EUR 586,506.68 (EUR 498,530.65 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 19 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 831,241.51 (EUR 706,555.24 ERDF).</p> <p>At the end of 2023, 1 project was finalized and 1 project (ROHU102) was classified as not-finalized according to Art 3, letter i) of the Romanian Government Emergency Ordinance 36/2023 regarding the general procedural framework for the closure of the operational programmes financed in the 2014-2020 programming period. The list of not-finalized projects was approved through MC Decision 276/18.12.2023. At the end of 2024, ROHU102 was reclassified as non-functional. The updated list of the non-functional projects was approved through MC Decision 282/02.12.2024.</p> <p>Problems identified: prolongations of the implementation period, budget decreases, minor changes in the application. Measures taken: approval of extension/other modifications of the projects at the request of LBs (6 Addendum to the Subsidy Contract concluded and 2 from 2023 up to date).</p>
PA6	Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens (Cooperation of institutions and communities)	<p>PA6 falls under the TO 11, Ip 11/b. The allocation available was launched within the 2nd Open Call for normal projects. Through MC Decision 222/20.02.2023, the ERDF allocation was increased with EUR 167,097.00 ERDF (unspent amounts reallocated from other PAs to cover the over-contracted ERDF on PA6), so the final allocation on PA6 becomes EUR 3,578,469.00 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, under this PA, covering the Ip 11/b, 2 projects were under implementation. Both projects finalized implementing the planned activities by the end of 2023.</p>



ID	Priority axis	<b>Key information on the implementation of the priority axis with reference to key developments, significant problems and steps taken to address these problems</b>
		<p>During 2023, 36 project reports were submitted with reported costs of EUR 144,810.08 (EUR 123,088.50 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 38 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 291.25 (EUR 247.55 ERDF). Problems identified: prolongations of the implementation period, budgetary reallocations, minor changes of the applications. Measures taken - permanent support provided to beneficiaries, approval of extension/other modifications of the projects (3 Addenda to the Subsidy Contracts have been concluded from 2023 up to date).</p>
TA	Technical Assistance	<p>PA 7 TA sought in particular to achieve 2 Specific Objectives: 1) to secure the core management for the implementation of the Programme (preparation, contracting, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and control); 2) to implement accompanying activities to support the implementation of high-quality, result-oriented cross-border projects and partnerships in a way that the TA contributes to the effective and smooth management and implementation of the Programme.</p> <p>During 2023 and up to date, TA was used for ensuring an effective and efficient programme implementation and no significant problems were identified whilst implementing the Priority. TA projects: TA1 – Managing Authority (MA) - within Ministry of Development, Public Works and Administration TA2 – Joint Secretariat (JS) – within BRECO, Oradea Regional Office for Cross Border Cooperation BRECO Oradea TA3 – Info Points (IPs) - within Széchenyi Programme Office Consulting and Service Nonprofit Limited Liability Company TA4 – Audit Authority (AA) - within the Romanian Court of Accounts TA5 – Audit Body in Hungary (AB) - within Directorate General for Audit of European Funds TA6 – Hungarian National Authority (HUNA) - within Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade in Hungary TA7 – FLCU RO - within BRECO, TA8 – FLCU HU - within Széchenyi Programme Office Consulting and Service Nonprofit Limited Liability Company.</p> <p>The total allocation of this PA was EUR 11,348,320.00 ERDF.</p> <p>In 2023, 22 project reports were submitted with reported costs of EUR 2,000,388.07 (EUR 1,000,194.03 ERDF).</p> <p>From 2024 up to date, 13 more project reports have been submitted, with reported costs of EUR 3,051,208.38 (EUR 1,525,604.19 ERDF).</p>

### 3.2 Common and programme specific indicators (Article 50(2) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

#### Priority axes other than technical assistance

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)</b>
Investment priority	6b - Investing in the water sector to meet the requirements of the Union's environmental acquis and to address needs, identified by the Member States, for investment that goes beyond those requirements

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA1.6b**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	Number	7.00	9.00	The output indicator was achieved by the 2 projects implemented under 6b, ROHU208 (6 measurement points positively affected by the interventions) and ROHU224 (3 measurement points positively affected by the interventions).
S	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	Number	7.00	9.00	The setup target value for the measurement points positively affected by the interventions is 7, however, from the 2 projects implemented, ROHU208 (6 points) and ROHU224 (3 points) results that 9 measurement points will benefit from the projects selected for support.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	6b - Investing in the water sector to meet the requirements of the Union's environmental acquis and to address needs, identified by the Member States, for investment that goes beyond those requirements
<b>Specific objective</b>	SO6/b - Improved quality management of cross-border rivers and ground water bodies

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA1.6b.SO6/b**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 6/b	Water quality (ecological condition) of crossborder rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area	Weighted average ecological quality at measurement points	2.46	2013	2.39	2.88		In the Final Evaluation Report, based on the data provided by the National Environmental Institution in Hungary and the Romanian Waters National Administration, the value of the indicator established under the SO 1.1 "Water quality (ecological condition) of cross border rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area (PA1, IP 6/b)" was 2.88.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 6/b	Water quality (ecological condition) of crossborder rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area	2.46		2.46		2.46		2.46	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 6/b	Water quality (ecological condition) of crossborder rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area	2.46		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 6/b	Water quality (ecological condition) of crossborder rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area	0.00	

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	<b>6c - Conserving, protecting, promoting and developing natural and cultural heritage</b>

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA1.6c**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	Visits/year	61,000.00	139,810.00	The cumulative value of the indicator was achieved by the normal projects implemented (ROHU-14, ROHU-35, ROHU-114 and ROHU-126). In the case of the strategic projects (ROHU-445, ROHU-446 and ROHU-456) the output indicator will be counted and reported for the year immediately after the completion of the project.
S	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	Visits/year	61,000.00	159,723.00	Number provided from the selected projects within 1st Open Call (ROHU-14, ROHU-35, ROHU-114 and ROHU-126) for normal projects (86,205 visits) and the 3 strategic projects (Full Application phase- ROHU-445, ROHU-446 and ROHU-456) within the 3rd Restricted Call (73,518 visits).
F	CO23	Nature and biodiversity: Surface area of habitats supported to attain a better conservation status	Hectares	105,000.00	108,954.43	The output indicator was achieved through the 11 normal projects implemented on 6c (ROHU-7, ROHU-14, ROHU-29, ROHU-35, ROHU-53, ROHU-62, ROHU-68, ROHU-79, ROHU-103, ROHU-115 and ROHU-126).
S	CO23	Nature and biodiversity: Surface area of habitats supported to attain a better conservation status	Hectares	105,000.00	108,791.44	Number provided from the projects (ROHU-7, ROHU-14, ROHU-29, ROHU-35, ROHU-53, ROHU-62, ROHU-68, ROHU-79, ROHU-103, ROHU-115 and ROHU-126) within 1st Open Call for normal projects.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	77,267.00	77,267.00	77,267.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	159,723.00	159,723.00	159,723.00	129,723.00	86,205.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	CO23	Nature and biodiversity: Surface area of habitats supported to attain a better conservation status	96,784.00	26,352.93	25,838.69	43.00	43.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	CO23	Nature and biodiversity: Surface area of habitats supported to attain a better conservation status	108,791.44	108,791.44	108,791.44	108,791.44	144,133.58	144,133.58	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)
Investment priority	6c - Conserving, protecting, promoting and developing natural and cultural heritage
Specific objective	SO6/c - Sustainable use of natural, historic, and cultural heritage within the eligible area

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA1.6c.SO6/c**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 6/c	Tourist overnight stays in the eligible programme area	visitor nights	4,885,294.00	2013	5,485,294.00	5,766,974.00		In the Final Evaluation Report, in case of the result indicator "Tourist overnight stays in the eligible Programme area (PA1, IP 6/c)", corresponding with the SO 1.2 of the Programme, the analysis of the collected data indicated the value of 5,766,974 overnight stays, measured in the eligible area of the Programme.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 6/c	Tourist overnight stays in the eligible programme area	4,885,294.00		4,885,294.00		4,885,294.00		4,885,294.00	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 6/c	Tourist overnight stays in the eligible programme area	4,885,294.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 6/c	Tourist overnight stays in the eligible programme area	0.00	

Priority axis	<b>PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)</b>
Investment priority	<b>7b - Enhancing regional mobility by connecting secondary and tertiary nodes to TEN-T infrastructure, including multimodal nodes</b>

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA2.7b**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	CO13	Roads: Total length of newly built roads	km	12.00	12.14	Project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call) the total length of newly built roads finalized is 12.14 km.
S	CO13	Roads: Total length of newly built roads	km	12.00	12.14	The forecasted length of the newly built roads to be realized through project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call), is 12.14 km.
F	CO14	Roads: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads	km	18.00	20.14	Project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call) the total length of the reconstructed roads finalized, is 20.14 km.
S	CO14	Roads: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads	km	18.00	20.06	The forecasted length of the reconstructed roads to be realized through project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call), is 20.06 km.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	CO13	Roads: Total length of newly built roads	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	CO13	Roads: Total length of newly built roads	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	CO14	Roads: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	CO14	Roads: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads	20.06	20.06	20.06	20.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	<b>7b - Enhancing regional mobility by connecting secondary and tertiary nodes to TEN-T infrastructure, including multimodal nodes</b>
<b>Specific objective</b>	<b>SO7/b - Improved cross-border accessibility through connecting secondary and tertiary nodes to TEN-T infrastructure</b>

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA2.7b.SO7/b**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 7/b	Cross-border population served by modernized infrastructure leading to TEN-T	Number of inhabitants	356,076.00	2014	435,794.00	607,768.00		According to the Final Evaluation Report, the approximate value of this indicator is 607,768 inhabitants, representing 139,56% of the Programme target. The result indicator was established based on the data collected from the National Statistics Offices from Romania and Hungary.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 7/b	Cross-border population served by modernized infrastructure leading to TEN-T	356,076.00		356,076.00		356,076.00		356,076.00	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 7/b	Cross-border population served by modernized infrastructure leading to TEN-T	356,076.00		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 7/b	Cross-border population served by modernized infrastructure leading to TEN-T	0.00	

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	7c - Developing and improving environmentally-friendly (including low noise) and low-carbon transport systems, including inland waterways and maritime transport, ports, multimodal links and airport infrastructure, in order to promote sustainable regional and local mobility

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA2.7c**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	Number	17.00	17.00	The indicator was achieved through projects ROHU390 (16 cross-border public transport services) and ROHU422 (1 cross-border public transport service).
S	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	Number	17.00	17.00	From the 2 projects under implementation (ROHU390 and ROHU422) it results that 17 cross-border public transport services will be developed/improved.
F	7/c 2	Total length of newly built bicycle road	km	17.00	20.44	The indicator was reached through the activities implemented by project ROHU128 and ROHU140.
S	7/c 2	Total length of newly built bicycle road	km	17.00	20.44	From the 2 projects under implementation (ROHU128 and ROHU140) results that 20.44 km of newly built bicycle road will be built.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	16.00	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	7/c 2	Total length of newly built bicycle road	8.94	7.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	7/c 2	Total length of newly built bicycle road	20.44	20.44	19.72	19.72	19.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]



<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	7c - Developing and improving environmentally-friendly (including low noise) and low-carbon transport systems, including inland waterways and maritime transport, ports, multimodal links and airport infrastructure, in order to promote sustainable regional and local mobility
<b>Specific objective</b>	SO7/c - Increased proportion of passengers using sustainable – low carbon, low noise – forms of cross-border transport

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA2.7c.SO7/c**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 7/c	Ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border	Ratio of persons to motorized road vehicles	2.50	2014	2.59	2.35		According to the information presented in the Final Evaluation Report, the value calculated for the eligible area, based on the data received from the Border Policy Offices from Romania and Hungary, is 2.35. In case of this result indicator, the pandemic affected the registered trends, because people avoided public transportation means during the period when restrictions were enforced and even after

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 7/c	Ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border	2.50		2.50		2.50		2.50	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 7/c	Ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border	2.50		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 7/c	Ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border	0.00	

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA3 - Improve employment and promote cross-border labour mobility (Cooperating on employment)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	8b - Supporting employment-friendly growth through the development of endogenous potential as part of a territorial strategy for specific areas, including the conversion of declining industrial regions and enhancement of accessibility to, and development of, specific natural and cultural resources

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA3.8b**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	Persons	26,000.00	37,128.00	16 normal projects and the strategic one, ROHU452, achieved the forecasted output indicator. 2 normal projects (ROHU421 and ROHU359) were classified as non-functional therefore the output indicators achieved by these projects were not counted.
S	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	Persons	26,000.00	32,243.00	From the 18 projects within 3rd OC (ROHU-331, ROHU-348, ROHU-359, ROHU-370, ROHU-374, ROHU-380, ROHU-382, ROHU-385, ROHU-388, ROHU-391, ROHU-395, ROHU-398, ROHU-399, ROHU-406, ROHU-420, ROHU-421, ROHU-425 and ROHU-426), results that 28,913 participants will be involved in in joint local employment initiatives and joint training. In addition, from the strategic project ROHU-452, within 2nd phase of 3rd Restricted Call, a number of 2,685 participants will be involved in joint local employment initiatives and joint training.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	23,020.00	13,992.00	10,111.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	31,595.00	31,595.00	30,427.00	29,822.00	29,822.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA3 - Improve employment and promote cross-border labour mobility (Cooperating on employment)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	8b - Supporting employment-friendly growth through the development of endogenous potential as part of a territorial strategy for specific areas, including the conversion of declining industrial regions and enhancement of accessibility to, and development of, specific natural and cultural resources
<b>Specific objective</b>	SO8/b - Increased employment within the eligible area

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA3.8b.SO8/b**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 8/b	Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population	%	56.31	2012	56.38	56.70		According to the Final Evaluation Report, based on the data collected from the National Statistics Offices of Romania and Hungary, the value for the result indicator "Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population (PA 3, IP 8/b)" is 56,70% for year 2022, higher than the target of 56,38%.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 8/b	Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population	56.31		56.31		56.31		56.31	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 8/b	Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population	56.31		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 8/b	Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population	0.00	

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA4 - Improving health-care services (Cooperating on health-care and prevention)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	9a - Investing in health and social infrastructure which contributes to national, regional and local development, reducing inequalities in terms of health status, promoting social inclusion through improved access to social, cultural and recreational services and the transition from institutional to community-based services

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA4.9a**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	9/a 1	Population having access to improved health services	Number of people	3,724,226.00	3,290,653.00	12 projects out of the 15 contracted on this PA contributed to the value achieved by this indicator. The population of 7 out of the 8 counties from the eligible area is addressed by the finalized 12 projects. A total of 3 projects were classified as non-functional, therefore the related output indicators were not counted. These projects are expected to be finalized by the end of 2026 and the forecasted output indicators to be achieved. However, the entire population in the eligible area has access to improved medical services, because of investments in infrastructure and medical equipment made through projects implemented on this PA.
S	9/a 1	Population having access to improved health services	Number of people	3,724,226.00	3,724,266.00	The projects within PA4 are covering/are implemented in all 8 counties within the eligible area (3,724,226.00*), therefore, the total population within the Programme area will have access to improved healthcare services. *Total value of this indicator was updated based on the demographic trends
F	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	Number	73.00	116.00	The cumulative value of this indicator was reached by 12 projects out of the 15 contracted on this PA. 3 projects (ROHU449, ROHU457 and ROHU387) were classified as non-functional, therefore the related output indicators were not counted.
S	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	Number	73.00	170.00	From the projects ROHU339, ROHU357, ROHU361, ROHU386, ROHU387, ROHU392, ROHU396, ROHU397, ROHU400, ROHU401, ROHU407, ROHU443, ROHU449, ROHU450 ROHU457), results that 170 health-care departments will be affected by modernized equipment.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	9/a 1	Population having access to improved health services	2,386,976.00	330,595.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	9/a 1	Population having access to improved health services	3,911,505.00	3,911,505.00	3,911,505.00	3,300,339.00	3,746,267.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	33.00	13.00	4.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	175.00	175.00	135.00	118.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

<b>Priority axis</b>	<b>PA4 - Improving health-care services (Cooperating on health-care and prevention)</b>
<b>Investment priority</b>	9a - Investing in health and social infrastructure which contributes to national, regional and local development, reducing inequalities in terms of health status, promoting social inclusion through improved access to social, cultural and recreational services and the transition from institutional to community-based services
<b>Specific objective</b>	SO9/a - Improved preventive and curative health-care services across the eligible area

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA4.9a.SO9/a**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 9/a	Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area	Rate of service level of the health care institutions	3.19	2015	3.50	3.33		In the Final Evaluation Report, the result indicator for SO 4.1 of the Programme "Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area (PA 4, IP 9/a)", was calculated based on the methodology established under the Programme for calculating the value of the indicator, and the resulted value was 3.33. For the calculation of the result indicator, data was collected from 9 relevant stakeholders.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 9/a	Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area	3.19		3.19		3.19		3.19	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 9/a	Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area	3.19		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 9/a	Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area	0.00	

Priority axis	<b>PA5 - Improve risk-prevention and disaster management (Cooperating on risk prevention and disaster management)</b>
Investment priority	<b>5b - Promoting investment to address specific risks, ensuring disaster resilience and developing disaster management systems</b>

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA5.5b**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	Number of people	2,100,000.00	2,719,250.00	The 9 completed projects contributed to achieving this indicator. 1 project (ROHU102) was classified as non-functional, therefore the related output indicator was not counted. This project is expected to be finalized by the end of 2026 and the forecasted output indicator to be achieved accordingly.
S	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	Number of people	2,100,000.00	2,588,361.00	Number provided from the 10 projects within 1st Open Call for normal projects (ROHU10, ROHU11, ROHU28, ROHU41, ROHU48, ROHU54, ROHU72, ROHU80, ROHU84 and ROHU102).

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	1,721,301.00	1,418,350.00	111,909.00	21,768.00	584.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	2,588,361.00	2,588,361.00	2,588,361.00	2,588,361.00	2,332,927.00	2,368,037.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]

Priority axis	PA5 - Improve risk-prevention and disaster management (Cooperating on risk prevention and disaster management)
Investment priority	5b - Promoting investment to address specific risks, ensuring disaster resilience and developing disaster management systems
Specific objective	SO5/b - Improved cross-border disasters and risk management

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA5.5b.SO5/b**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R 5/b	Quality of the joint risk management	Rate of preparedness	3.02	2015	3.23	2.78		In the Final Evaluation Report, the value of the result indicator SO 5.1, "Quality of the joint risk management (PA 5, IP 5/b)", calculated based on the methodology established under the Programme for calculating the value of the indicator, was 2.78.

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R 5/b	Quality of the joint risk management	3.02		3.02		3.02		3.02	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R 5/b	Quality of the joint risk management	3.02		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R 5/b	Quality of the joint risk management	0.00	

Priority axis	PA6 - Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens (Cooperation of institutions and communities)
Investment priority	11b - Promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions (ETC-CB)

**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - PA6.11b**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	number	36.00	38.00	All 11 projects implemented under 11/b1 were successfully finalized, and the output indicator entirely achieved.
S	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	number	36.00	38.00	From the 11 projects within 11/b1 (ROHU162, ROHU179, ROHU181, ROHU183, ROH-204, ROHU215, ROHU217, ROHU281, ROHU297, ROHU300, ROHU319), results that 38 institutions will be directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives.
F	11/b2	Number of people participating in cross-border cooperation initiatives	Number of people	30,000.00	30,583.00	The cumulative value of the output indicator was reached by the 22 finalized projects.
S	11/b2	Number of people participating in cross-border cooperation initiatives	Number of people	30,000.00	18,445.00	From the projects within 11/b2 (ROHU122, ROHU156, ROHU158, ROHU161, ROHU180, ROHU198, ROHU200, ROHU202, ROHU218, ROHU256, ROHU265, ROHU267, ROHU268, ROHU271, ROHU277, ROHU280, ROHU283, ROHU285, ROHU289, ROHU292, ROHU315, ROHU316) results that 18,445 people will participate in CBC initiatives.

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	32.00	30.00	14.00	5.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	38.00	38.00	39.00	37.00	37.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	11/b2	Number of people participating in cross-border cooperation initiatives	29,838.00	29,665.00	2,028.00	3,248.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	11/b2	Number of people participating in cross-border cooperation initiatives	18,445.00	18,445.00	18,445.00	18,445.00	19,042.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

(1) S=Cumulative value - outputs to be delivered by selected operations [forecast provided by beneficiaries], F=Cumulative value - outputs delivered by operations [actual achievement]



Priority axis	PA6 - Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens (Cooperation of institutions and communities)
Investment priority	11b - Promoting legal and administrative cooperation and cooperation between citizens and institutions (ETC-CB)
Specific objective	SO11 - Intensify sustainable cross-border cooperation of institutions and communities

**Table 1: Result indicators - PA6.11b.SO11**

ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Baseline value	Baseline year	Target value (2023) Total	2023 Total	2023 Qualitative	Observations
R11/b	Intensity level of cross-border cooperation	Rate of intensity of cross-border cooperation	3.46	2015	3.57	3.23		In the Final Evaluation Report, the value of the result indicator for SO 6.1 of the Programme "Intensity level of cross-border cooperation (PA 6, IP 11/b)", based on the methodology established under the Programme for calculating the value of the indicator, was 3.23. This value was established based on scores given by 57 relevant institutions (according to the Programme methodology).

ID	Indicator	2022 Total	2022 Qualitative	2021 Total	2021 Qualitative	2020 Total	2020 Qualitative	2019 Total	2019 Qualitative
R11/b	Intensity level of cross-border cooperation	3.46		3.46		3.46		3.46	

ID	Indicator	2018 Total	2018 Qualitative	2017 Total	2017 Qualitative	2016 Total	2016 Qualitative	2015 Total	2015 Qualitative
R11/b	Intensity level of cross-border cooperation	3.46		0.00		0.00		0.00	

ID	Indicator	2014 Total	2014 Qualitative
R11/b	Intensity level of cross-border cooperation	0.00	

## Priority axes for technical assistance

Priority axis	TA - Technical Assistance
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**Table 2: Common and programme specific output indicators - TA.Technical Assistance**

(1)	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Target value	2023	Observations
F	TA1	Number of events for information and promotion of the programme	Number		0.00	The indicator refers only to events organized for applicants (info days sessions, partner search forum). No such event was organized during 2023 or 2024.
S	TA1	Number of events for information and promotion of the programme	Number		0.00	
F	TA2	Number of call for proposals launched	Number		0.00	
S	TA2	Number of call for proposals launched	Number		0.00	
F	TA3	Number of MC meetings	Number		1.00	03/02/2023- online via ZOOM platform CM 11
S	TA3	Number of MC meetings	Number		1.00	03/02/2023- online via ZOOM platform CM 11 Altogether, 11 MC meetings have been organized by the end of 2023. No other CM was organized since 2023 up to date.
F	TA4	Number of projects implemented and closed	Number		29.00	23 projects were finalized during 2023 and 6 projects completed in 2024. Altogether 92 projects have been finalized by the end 2024, while 6 projects were classified as non-functional, the deadline for completing their implementation is the end of 2026.
S	TA4	Number of projects implemented and closed	Number		29.00	
F	TA5	Number of employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Number		71.41	MA (16.27 within MDPWA), NA (0.75-MFA), JS+RO FLC (30 within BRECO), IPs (4 within SZPO), HU FLCs (12.19 within SZPO), AA (6 within Romanian Court of Accounts) and AB (2.2 within Directorate General for Audit of European Funds-HU)
S	TA5	Number of employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	Number		71.41	

(1)	ID	Indicator	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015	2014
F	TA1	Number of events for information and promotion of the programme	0.00	51.00	49.00	0.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	TA1	Number of events for information and promotion of the programme	0.00	51.00	49.00	0.00	0.00	27.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	TA2	Number of call for proposals launched	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
S	TA2	Number of call for proposals launched	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
F	TA3	Number of MC meetings	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
S	TA3	Number of MC meetings	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	3.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00
F	TA4	Number of projects implemented and closed	12.00	16.00	29.00	16.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
S	TA4	Number of projects implemented and closed	12.00	16.00	29.00	16.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
F	TA5	Number of employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	70.04	0.00	83.33	81.42	68.91	39.00	48.00	0.00	0.00
S	TA5	Number of employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA	70.04	82.78	83.33	81.42	68.91	39.00	48.00	0.00	0.00

**3.3 Table 3: Information on the milestones and targets defined in the performance framework**

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	Milestone for 2018 total	Final target (2023) total	2023	Observations
PA1	O	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	Visits/year	-	61,000.00	139,810.00	
PA1	F	F.PA1	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	5920000	58,953,196.00	57,557,303.00	
PA1	I	K6/b	Number of measurement points benefiting from the projects selected for support	Number	1	0.00	9.00	
PA1	I	K6/c	Number of projects aimed at increasing visits to sites of cultural and natural heritage selected for support	Number	5	0.00	14.00	
PA1	O	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	Number	-	7.00	9.00	
PA2	O	CO13a	Roads: Total length of newly built roads, of which: TEN-T	km	-	12.00	12.14	
PA2	F	F.PA2	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	2480000	20,249,535.00	19,300,029.00	
PA2	I	K7/b	Number of km of newly built roads for which technical documentation is elaborated	km	2.4	0.00	12.14	
PA2	I	K7/c	Number of public transport services benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	1	0.00	17.00	
PA2	O	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	Number	-	17.00	17.00	
PA3	O	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	Persons	-	26,000.00	37,128.00	
PA3	F	F.PA3	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	6340000	39,051,257.00	38,681,062.00	
PA3	I	K8/b	Number of projects related to joint local employment initiatives and joint training approved	Number	5	0.00	19.00	
PA4	F	F.PA4	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	6960000	73,203,301.00	70,233,077.00	
PA4	I	K9/a2	Number of health-care departments benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	12	0.00	175.00	
PA4	O	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	Number	-	73.00	116.00	
PA5	F	F.PA5	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	1,170,000.00	13,497,871.00	13,420,179.00	
PA5	I	K5/b	Population benefiting from selected projects	Number of people	97000		2,719,250.00	
PA5	O	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	Number of people	-	2,100,000.00	2,719,250.00	
PA6	F	F.PA6	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	490000	4,209,964.00	4,099,245.00	
PA6	O	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	number	4	36.00	38.00	

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
PA1	O	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	Visits/year	77,267.00	77,267.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA1	F	F.PA1	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	28,340,293.49	20,165,858.14	5,438,208.10	5,438,208.10	1,270,849.38
PA1	I	K6/b	Number of measurement points benefiting from the projects selected for support	Number	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
PA1	I	K6/c	Number of projects aimed at increasing visits to sites of cultural and natural heritage selected for support	Number	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	11.00
PA1	O	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	O	CO13a	Roads: Total length of newly built roads, of which: TEN-T	km	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	F	F.PA2	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	18,114,796.56	13,021,853.76	149,906.37	149,906.37	44,059.88
PA2	I	K7/b	Number of km of newly built roads for which technical documentation is elaborated	km	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.14
PA2	I	K7/c	Number of public transport services benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	17.00	17.00	16.00	16.00	16.00
PA2	O	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	Number	16.00	12.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA3	O	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	Persons	23,020.00	13,992.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA3	F	F.PA3	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	19,445,062.62	11,080,800.00	1,713,648.50	1,713,648.50	11,635.34
PA3	I	K8/b	Number of projects related to joint local employment initiatives and joint training approved	Number	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00	19.00
PA4	F	F.PA4	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	37,381,312.60	20,290,271.01	1,178,373.78	1,178,373.78	282,795.74
PA4	I	K9/a2	Number of health-care departments benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	175.00	175.00	118.00	118.00	20.00
PA4	O	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	Number	33.00	13.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA5	F	F.PA5	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	12,006,091.32	11,336,818.56	4,247,034.21	4,247,034.21	653,144.06
PA5	I	K5/b	Population benefiting from selected projects	Number of people	2,588,361.00	2,588,361.00	2,332,927.00	2,332,927.00	2,332,927.00

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
PA5	O	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	Number of people	1,721,301.00	1,418,350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA6	F	F.PA6	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	3,843,349.48	3,635,159.71	2,358,623.47	2,358,623.47	14,953.64
PA6	O	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	number	38.00	38.00	37.00	37.00	37.00

Priority axis	Ind type	ID	Indicator	Measurement unit	2017	2016	2015	2014
PA1	O	CO09	Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions	Visits/year	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA1	F	F.PA1	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA1	I	K6/b	Number of measurement points benefiting from the projects selected for support	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA1	I	K6/c	Number of projects aimed at increasing visits to sites of cultural and natural heritage selected for support	Number	11.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA1	O	6/b 1	Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project)	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	O	CO13a	Roads: Total length of newly built roads, of which: TEN-T	km	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	F	F.PA2	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	I	K7/b	Number of km of newly built roads for which technical documentation is elaborated	km	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	I	K7/c	Number of public transport services benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA2	O	7/c 1	Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA3	O	CO44	Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training	Persons	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA3	F	F.PA3	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA3	I	K8/b	Number of projects related to joint local employment initiatives and joint training approved	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA4	F	F.PA4	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA4	I	K9/a2	Number of health-care departments benefiting from projects selected for support	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA4	O	9/a 2	Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment	Number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA5	F	F.PA5	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA5	I	K5/b	Population benefiting from selected projects	Number of people	2,368,037.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA5	O	5/b 1	Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services	Number of people	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA6	F	F.PA6	Total amount of certified expenditure	EUR	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
PA6	O	11/b1	Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives	number	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

### 3.4. Financial data

**Table 4: Financial information at priority axis and programme level**

As set out in Table 1 of Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 (Model for transmission of financial data) and table 16 of model for cooperation programmes under the European territorial cooperation goal

Priority axis	Fund	Calculation basis	Total funding	Co-financing rate	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Proportion of the total allocation covered with selected operations	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	Total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Proportion of the total allocation covered by eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries	Number of operations selected	Total eligible expenditure incurred by beneficiaries and paid by 31/12/2023 and certified to the Commission
PA1	ERDF	Total	58,953,196.00	85.00	60,845,684.47	103.21%	60,579,361.98	57,531,975.32	97.59%	16	57,557,303.00
PA2	ERDF	Total	20,249,535.00	85.00	20,315,584.91	100.33%	20,212,151.76	19,475,480.83	96.18%	5	19,300,029.00
PA3	ERDF	Total	39,051,257.00	85.00	41,534,171.26	106.36%	40,813,091.06	38,683,756.66	99.06%	19	38,681,062.00
PA4	ERDF	Total	73,203,301.00	85.00	75,286,661.64	102.85%	75,228,630.06	70,529,302.92	96.35%	15	70,233,077.00
PA5	ERDF	Total	13,497,871.00	85.00	13,770,590.33	102.02%	13,688,023.70	13,451,307.82	99.66%	10	13,420,179.00
PA6	ERDF	Total	4,209,964.00	85.00	4,457,280.36	105.87%	4,426,214.06	4,110,822.52	97.65%	33	4,099,245.00
TA	ERDF	Total	22,696,640.00	50.00	22,440,432.99	98.87%	22,440,432.99	19,851,296.83	87.46%	17	
<b>Total</b>	<b>ERDF</b>		<b>231,861,764.00</b>	<b>81.57</b>	<b>238,650,405.96</b>	<b>102.93%</b>	<b>237,387,905.61</b>	<b>223,633,942.90</b>	<b>96.45%</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>203,290,895.00</b>
<b>Grand total</b>			<b>231,861,764.00</b>	<b>81.57</b>	<b>238,650,405.96</b>	<b>102.93%</b>	<b>237,387,905.61</b>	<b>223,633,942.90</b>	<b>96.45%</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>203,290,895.00</b>

Where applicable, the use of any contribution from third countries participating in the cooperation programme should be provided (for example IPA and ENI, Norway, Switzerland)

**Table 5: Breakdown of the cumulative financial data by category of intervention**

As set out in Table 2 of Annex II to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1011/2014 (Model for transmission of financial data) and tables 6-9 of Model for cooperation programmes

Priority axis	Fund	Intervention field	Form of finance	Territorial dimension	Territorial delivery mechanism	Thematic objective dimension	ESF secondary theme	Economic dimension	Location dimension	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	The total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Number of operations selected
PA1	ERDF	021	01	07	07	06		11	HU333	1,429,790.18	1,429,790.18	1,227,394.75	2
PA1	ERDF	021	01	07	07	06		11	RO421	4,520,554.61	4,520,554.61	3,879,211.84	2
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		15	HU321	2,527,008.68	2,527,008.68	2,439,450.16	4
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		15	HU323	52,749.49	52,115.94	44,528.96	1
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		15	RO111	795,454.26	795,454.26	766,223.09	4
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		15	RO115	4,074.26	4,025.33	3,439.33	1
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		22	HU321	897,405.28	892,816.91	848,167.70	4
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		22	HU323	396,615.76	396,424.48	390,593.86	1
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		22	HU332	889,995.82	881,717.08	856,310.05	1
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		22	RO111	2,457,456.55	2,449,644.66	2,319,083.07	4
PA1	ERDF	085	01	07	07	06		22	RO115	782,854.43	778,556.02	771,327.57	2
PA1	ERDF	086	01	07	07	06		22	HU321	2,058,001.44	2,044,267.33	1,940,149.24	7
PA1	ERDF	086	01	07	07	06		22	HU332	1,762,321.40	1,744,389.78	1,715,855.34	2
PA1	ERDF	086	01	07	07	06		22	RO111	7,732,340.33	7,686,901.00	7,191,622.21	7
PA1	ERDF	086	01	07	07	06		22	RO115	491,729.71	484,119.69	479,635.93	2
PA1	ERDF	091	01	07	07	06		15	HU321	3,816,549.67	3,816,549.67	3,687,215.88	4
PA1	ERDF	091	01	07	07	06		15	HU323	67,774.51	66,960.51	57,212.46	1
PA1	ERDF	091	01	07	07	06		15	RO111	1,202,250.74	1,202,250.74	1,158,225.24	4
PA1	ERDF	091	01	07	07	06		15	RO115	5,234.77	5,171.90	4,418.97	1
PA1	ERDF	094	01	07	07	06		15	HU321	9,163,249.21	9,163,249.21	8,852,753.29	4
PA1	ERDF	094	01	07	07	06		15	HU323	4,265,962.21	4,218,334.32	4,045,816.41	2
PA1	ERDF	094	01	07	07	06		15	RO111	2,886,521.24	2,886,521.24	2,780,820.34	4
PA1	ERDF	094	01	07	07	06		15	RO115	2,748,121.94	2,717,521.25	2,616,295.87	2
PA1	ERDF	095	01	07	07	06		15	HU321	2,288,161.17	2,288,161.17	2,210,611.59	4
PA1	ERDF	095	01	07	07	06		15	HU323	4,144,013.42	4,097,850.19	3,942,872.25	2
PA1	ERDF	095	01	07	07	06		15	RO111	720,790.53	720,790.53	694,395.24	4
PA1	ERDF	095	01	07	07	06		15	RO115	2,738,702.86	2,708,215.30	2,608,344.68	2
PA2	ERDF	030	01	07	07	07		08	HU332	595,232.44	593,116.75	565,497.32	2
PA2	ERDF	030	01	07	07	07		08	RO421	7,743,370.17	7,715,854.34	7,356,210.87	2
PA2	ERDF	034	01	07	07	07		08	HU332	396,821.62	395,411.16	376,998.21	2
PA2	ERDF	034	01	07	07	07		08	RO421	5,162,246.78	5,143,902.89	4,904,140.58	2
PA2	ERDF	043	01	07	07	07		12	HU321	468,896.00	462,200.86	466,849.94	1
PA2	ERDF	043	01	07	07	07		12	HU333	122,025.54	120,115.82	107,519.92	1
PA2	ERDF	043	01	07	07	07		12	RO111	996,404.00	982,176.84	992,056.13	1
PA2	ERDF	043	01	07	07	07		12	RO424	267,832.41	263,640.79	235,994.21	1
PA2	ERDF	044	01	07	07	07		12	HU321	468,896.00	462,200.86	466,849.94	1
PA2	ERDF	044	01	07	07	07		12	HU333	122,025.54	120,115.82	107,519.92	1
PA2	ERDF	044	01	07	07	07		12	RO111	996,404.00	982,176.84	992,056.13	1
PA2	ERDF	044	01	07	07	07		12	RO424	267,832.41	263,640.79	235,994.21	1
PA2	ERDF	090	01	07	07	07		08	HU332	1,079,445.17	1,079,445.17	1,062,886.77	2
PA2	ERDF	090	01	07	07	07		08	RO111	849,816.91	849,816.91	840,177.34	1
PA2	ERDF	090	01	07	07	07		08	RO421	778,335.92	778,335.92	764,729.34	1
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	HU321	1,243,108.89	1,230,286.22	1,037,141.34	7
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	HU323	1,548,746.88	1,528,690.88	1,446,929.39	4
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	HU332	1,072,541.19	1,049,945.14	1,031,861.46	5
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	HU333	3,539,326.42	3,427,191.78	3,405,606.85	5
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	RO111	4,808,204.05	4,762,776.42	4,380,154.00	9
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	RO115	1,034,706.26	1,031,818.48	983,481.14	3
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	RO421	805,417.43	783,462.79	788,923.03	2
PA3	ERDF	102	01	07	07	08		21	RO424	1,905,382.51	1,845,772.44	1,831,670.40	5
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	HU321	1,953,456.81	1,933,306.88	1,629,793.53	7
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	HU323	2,433,745.10	2,402,228.52	2,273,746.17	4

Priority axis	Fund	Intervention field	Form of finance	Territorial dimension	Territorial delivery mechanism	Thematic objective dimension	ESF secondary theme	Economic dimension	Location dimension	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	The total eligible expenditure declared by beneficiaries to the managing authority	Number of operations selected
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	HU332	1,685,421.86	1,649,913.78	1,621,496.57	5
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	HU333	600,422.37	581,774.26	578,973.73	4
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	RO111	7,555,749.22	7,484,362.93	6,883,099.13	9
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	RO115	1,625,966.97	1,621,429.03	1,545,470.37	3
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	RO421	1,265,655.95	1,231,155.81	1,239,736.19	2
PA3	ERDF	104	01	07	07	08		21	RO424	514,972.46	500,033.95	493,423.62	4
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	HU321	355,173.97	351,510.34	296,326.10	7
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	HU323	442,499.11	436,768.82	413,408.40	4
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	HU332	306,440.34	299,984.33	294,817.56	5
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	HU333	3,266,407.17	3,162,748.95	3,142,436.98	5
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	RO111	1,373,772.58	1,360,793.27	1,251,472.57	9
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	RO115	295,630.36	294,805.28	280,994.62	3
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	RO421	230,119.26	223,846.50	225,406.58	2
PA3	ERDF	108	01	07	07	08		21	RO424	1,671,304.10	1,618,484.26	1,607,386.93	5
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	HU321	2,872,256.70	2,872,256.70	2,692,420.24	5
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	HU323	2,959,497.39	2,959,351.14	2,629,278.63	4
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	HU332	1,759,581.94	1,759,581.94	1,661,277.51	3
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	HU333	16,404,782.31	16,367,041.85	16,088,161.57	8
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	RO111	14,950,051.20	14,950,051.20	13,556,423.52	5
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	RO115	8,496,576.50	8,485,136.38	7,046,112.99	6
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	RO421	1,541,797.32	1,541,797.32	1,451,247.95	2
PA4	ERDF	053	01	07	07	09		20	RO424	15,009,119.02	15,009,119.02	14,824,985.09	6
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	HU321	506,868.83	506,868.83	475,132.98	5
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	HU323	522,264.25	522,238.44	463,990.35	4
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	HU332	310,514.46	310,514.46	293,166.62	3
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	HU333	2,894,961.59	2,888,301.50	2,839,087.33	8
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	RO111	2,638,244.32	2,638,244.32	2,392,310.03	5
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	RO115	1,499,395.86	1,497,377.01	1,243,431.69	6
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	RO421	272,081.89	272,081.89	256,102.58	2
PA4	ERDF	112	01	07	07	09		20	RO424	2,648,668.06	2,648,668.06	2,616,173.84	6
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	HU101	604,271.97	604,271.97	602,603.17	1
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	HU321	613,061.43	602,525.92	600,248.28	2
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	HU323	118,911.40	117,552.70	116,316.71	1
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	HU332	669,475.72	669,475.72	635,251.03	1
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	HU333	2,047,842.01	2,047,842.01	2,025,159.38	2
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	RO111	2,689,045.57	2,661,668.34	2,593,435.81	3
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	RO115	1,174,631.65	1,170,044.17	1,163,735.85	2
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	RO125	754,373.52	754,373.52	746,710.39	1
PA5	ERDF	087	01	07	07	05		22	RO424	100,419.27	100,419.27	97,780.79	1
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	HU321	274,548.89	271,553.90	268,994.73	1
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	HU323	118,911.40	117,552.70	116,316.71	1
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	HU332	380,461.02	380,461.02	353,347.44	2
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	HU333	467,027.92	463,609.30	460,363.99	2
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	RO111	664,046.61	660,456.32	629,048.53	2
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	RO115	401,488.60	396,901.12	392,727.97	1
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	RO421	1,422,229.19	1,410,881.79	1,394,073.08	2
PA5	ERDF	088	01	07	07	05		22	RO424	1,269,844.16	1,258,433.93	1,255,193.96	2
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	HU321	501,420.81	500,455.83	466,664.43	10
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	HU323	254,022.58	251,738.64	239,432.55	3
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	HU332	765,446.58	759,987.22	720,988.98	14
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	HU333	273,794.58	267,883.40	224,394.33	7
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	RO111	1,509,358.57	1,501,686.93	1,393,514.17	17
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	RO115	244,748.84	242,998.67	229,071.18	2
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	RO421	532,890.92	528,195.76	502,905.36	9
PA6	ERDF	119	01	07	07	11		18	RO424	375,597.48	373,267.61	333,851.52	6
TA	ERDF	121	01	07	07			24	HU101	5,100,852.83	5,100,852.83	2,973,689.77	4
TA	ERDF	121	01	07	07			24	RO111	8,834,276.39	8,834,276.39	8,834,059.33	6
TA	ERDF	121	01	07	07			24	RO321	3,584,783.61	3,584,783.61	3,505,032.90	5
TA	ERDF	122	01	07	07			24	HU101	48,932.41	48,932.41	34,277.47	1
TA	ERDF	122	01	07	07			24	RO321	1,723,400.51	1,723,400.51	1,662,507.63	4



Priority axis	Fund	Intervention field	Form of finance	Territorial dimension	Territorial delivery mechanism	Thematic objective dimension	ESF secondary theme	Economic dimension	Location dimension	Total eligible cost of operations selected for support	Public eligible cost of operations selected for support	The total eligible expenditure declared by eneficiaries to the managing authority	Number of operations selected
TA	ERDF	123	01	07	07			24	HU101	1,002,500.76	1,002,500.76	709,647.32	3
TA	ERDF	123	01	07	07			24	RO111	1,747,810.47	1,747,810.47	1,747,738.15	3
TA	ERDF	123	01	07	07			24	RO321	397,876.01	397,876.01	384,344.26	3

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**Table 6: Cumulative cost of all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area**

1. Operation (2)	2. The amount of ERDF support(1) envisaged to be used for all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area based on selected operations	3. Share of the total financial allocation to all or part of an operation located outside the Union part of the programme area (%) (column 2/total amount allocated to the support from the ERDF at programme level *100)	4. Eligible expenditure of ERDF support incurred in all or part of an operation implemented outside the Union part of the programme area declared by the beneficiary to the managing authority	5. Share of the total financial allocation to all or part of an operation located outside the Union part of the programme area (%) (column 4/total amount allocated to the support from the ERDF at programme level *100)
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(1) ERDF support is the Commission decision on the respective cooperation programme.

(2) In accordance with and subject to ceilings set out Article 20 of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013.

#### 4. SYNTHESIS OF THE EVALUATIONS

The Programme evaluations were performed in line with the Evaluation Plan, as revised.

The implementation of the communication strategy in support of potential project beneficiaries evaluation was carried out between June and November 2017. The main objectives of the evaluation were to assess:

1. the level of information regarding the identity of the Programme and the funding opportunities offered
2. the level of satisfaction of the potential direct beneficiaries regarding the activity carried out by the management structures

Also, to develop a set of useful recommendations for the next information sessions, including activities foreseen in the following period.

The conclusions of the evaluation were positive, indicating that “The existing documents within the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Program are clear, have well-defined objectives and present concrete measures to be taken in the field of communication.”

The recommendations from the implementation of the communication strategy in support of potential project beneficiaries evaluation were discussed in January 2018 during the 3rd Monitoring Committee meeting.

The mid-term evaluation of the implementation of the Programme started on 12.10.2019. It was more challenging due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the early stage of projects implementation. However, the conclusions remained positive: “the Programme remains relevant to the needs in the eligible area, and the stakeholders succeed through good cooperation to use the funding opportunity and resolve the pressing development needs they encountered”; “After a late start of the programme implementation and delayed the launching of the call for proposals (influenced by several external factors, such as incidence of state aid), the programme implementation showed good progress in 2018 and 2019. The stage of implementation (cut-of-date of the evaluation 29.02.2020) provided reasonable evidence that the programme can reach the outputs’ targets”.

According to the conclusions of the mid-term evaluation, the impact assessment planned to start in October 2021 was not recommended because the progress in implementation and the level of achievement was not sufficient at the time. It was recommended to include the programme impact assessment in the ex-post evaluation in line with art 57 of the Common Provisions Regulations, after the end of the implementation of the programme. A second ongoing evaluation focused on effectiveness and impact is recommended before the end of the programme implementation in 2023.

In this context, the final Programme evaluation took place in 2023, the Final Evaluation Report being issued on October 2023. The programme was at the time in the last months of implementation, 35 projects being still under implementation.

As a result of the impact evaluation, the experts provided a list of recommendations, mainly for the future Programme:

A stronger connection between the operational (project) and strategic levels should be ensured in the project preparation (in the case of the Interreg VI-A Programme) and implementation phases, as the former influence the quality of interventions’ designs

In order to facilitate both the project and programme implementation, taking into account the risk of economic crisis and inflation, applying indexation of projects’ budgets with the inflation rate and making adjustment to the programme budget taking into account savings from public procurement and the impact

of inflation, constitutes an important measure that can come to the support of beneficiaries, especially in the context of significant disruptive context factors, such as the energy and economic crisis

Future programme beneficiaries should receive support from programme authorities for quality projects implementation

The delays caused by the public procurement procedures should be addressed earlier in the implementation of projects

The logic of intervention under each SO needs to better highlight the causal links between outputs and result indicators (for period 2021 – 2027), based on lessons learned from Interreg V-A

The VI-A RO-HU programme and future cross-border cooperation projects should support joint structure and joint provision of services in order to enhance further the quality/intensity of cooperation between Romanian and Hungarian municipalities and organizations;

Better valorisation of the outputs and results of the implemented projects, through a more intense dissemination of good practice examples can benefit the programme and bring more applicants to calls.

Programme authorities should examine the project assessment and contracting procedures and where possible introduce simplified rules or terms in order to ensure the shorter possible time between the moment projects are planned and submitted and the moment they can start.

The evaluation showed that the programme significantly contributes to the cooperation and cohesion in the eligible area, under all SOs. Regarding the alignment and contribution of the programme to EU 2020 strategy and Danube Region Strategy, this has been direct and important as types of effects already generated or to be generated.

Overall, the investments made through the Interreg V-A RO-HU programme are sustainable. The results achieved, especially the ones related to important infrastructure built and equipment purchased, are investments that generate positive effects on long-term. They are, in most of the cases, under the responsibilities of public institutions which are obliged to allocate distinct budgets for their maintenance and repairs.

In terms of capitalization potential of financed projects, the renewed roads and sites of cultural an historic importance, environment protection, hospitals renovations, add to the quality of life of the citizens as well as to the touristic potential of both countries.

The programme is visible in the covered counties as are its already achieved results. The beneficiaries are mostly satisfied with the programme and the support they received from the programme authorities.

Name	Fund	From month	From year	To month	To year	Type of evaluation	Thematic objective	Topic	Findings
The implementation of the communication strategy in support of potential project beneficiaries evaluation	ERDF	6	2017	11	2017	Impact	05 06 07 08 09 11	<b>Evaluation of the communication activity in order to support the potential beneficiaries of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme</b>	<p><b>1.</b> To facilitate the understanding of the information from the Guide of Applicants, by the applicants, it was recommended to realize clearer connections between its summary and the investments' typology</p> <p><b>2.</b> To increase the degree of transparency regarding the launched calls, is important to inform beneficiaries, after the deadline for submitting the proposals, regarding the number of projects received which will be evaluated from administrative point of view, and also their total budget</p> <p><b>3.</b> Planning of the calendar of different calls must take into consideration the time necessary for the applicants/ potential beneficiaries to prepare the projects.</p> <p><b>4.</b> The necessity to disseminate information related to successful projects was considered necessary. To increase the interactivity of the information and communication sessions, was recommended to directly involve beneficiaries in information events, by presenting good practices examples, in view of disseminating the positive results of the projects and the programme.</p>

Evaluating the implementation of The Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme	ERDF	10	2019	5	2020	Mixed	05 06 07 08 09 11	<p><b>The evaluation of the functioning of the Programme from the moment of its official approval until 29.02.2020, to provide useful recommendations for the remaining implementation period also taking into account the internal and external factors that affect the programme implementation.</b></p>	<p><b>1.</b> The programming process should be more efficient, more focused on the entire eligible area cohesion and the design of the programme should encourage a higher integration of the interventions on both sides of the border and wider participation of the stakeholders</p> <p><b>2.</b> MA NA and JS should ensure support to the beneficiaries to deal with COVID-19 pandemic and associated social and economic impact.</p> <p><b>3.</b> Prepare and operate through cooperation the necessary changes in the programme to respond to the actual challenges</p> <p><b>4.</b> MA NA should agree on the approach for the future programme to have a shorter duration and higher quality evaluation and selection process</p> <p><b>5.</b> Agreement regarding the future management information system to be used in the cooperation programme 2021 – 2027</p> <p><b>6.</b> MA and JS should continue the efforts for simplification of documents required in the evaluation</p> <p><b>7.</b> The impact evaluation planned for 2021 should be redesigned as a second ongoing</p>
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									evaluation focused on effectiveness and impact.
Impact Evaluation - Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme	ERDF	2	2023	10	2023	Impact	05 06 07 08 09 11	<p>The specific objectives of the evaluation are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to capture the effects of the programme as a whole and its performance as regards each SO.</li> <li>• to assess the programme's performance as regards each specific objective and its impact as a whole, considering how support from ERDF has contributed to the objectives of each priority, in line with the result-focus of cohesion policy.</li> <li>• to carry out effectiveness evaluation, particularly the extent to which the objectives of the programme were achieved.</li> </ul>	<p><b>1.</b> The effectiveness of the programme, based on its current implementation status (73 projects out of the 108 contracted projects were finalized at the date of the evaluation) varies across its 8 specific objectives.</p> <p><b>2.</b> The Covid19 pandemic had a significant impact on the values of several programme result indicators. It is expected that by the end of the programme many sectors are revitalized and achieve a similar or higher development status as before the pandemic outburst.</p> <p><b>3.</b> The link between the objectives of the programme, thus the expected results and the planned outputs is strong, and the targets were well set, especially in the case of SOs 1.1, 2.2, 4.1 and 6.1. However, contextual factors were taken into account to a limited extent when designing the methodology for calculating the baseline and the target values for results indicators set under SO 4.1, 5.1 and 6.1.</p> <p><b>4.</b> In general, the funds available and eligible activities were considered very important by both beneficiaries and other</p>

									<p>stakeholders, addressing in a proper way the existing problems in each sector and the needs of the eligible applicants.</p> <p><b>5.</b> The beneficiaries attribute to a large extent the success of the implementation process to the excellent support and collaboration provided by the Joint Secretariat and the Info Points. The JS has been the main contact point for beneficiaries and due to its location and the conducted analyses showed that it effectively supported those implementing Interreg funds.</p>
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## 5. ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN

### (a) Issues which affect the performance of the programme and the measures taken

The COVID-19 pandemic caused delays in most of the projects and hindered the achievement of the projects' objectives, affecting their contribution to overnight stays and to the attractiveness in the programme eligible areas; the ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border; cross-border accessibility; employment rate and quality of the workforce in the eligible area; average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area; quality of joint risk management; capacity of the responsible institutions in the eligible area to safeguard population; intensity level of cross-border cooperation.

The main channel through which the COVID-19 pandemic affected the implementation of the projects are the soft activities. Due to the restrictions adopted in both Romania and Hungary, many beneficiaries were forced to delay the activities until the restrictions were lifted. As well, some beneficiaries identified the COVID-19 pandemic as a source that influenced the overall increase in prices, which resulted in challenges in applying the budget. For some beneficiaries, there were issues regarding the supply chain for the acquisition of the equipment.

To mitigate *the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic*, the MA undertook the following measures:

1. Establishing a buffer at the level of the programme to ensure funds for making payments to beneficiaries (through a loan from the state budget);
2. Organizing online meetings and information events and contests with beneficiaries and potential beneficiaries as well as with the structures within the programme. Encouraging the use of electronic correspondence;
3. Implementation of the use of the electronic signature and the possibility for the beneficiaries to pay from the programme for issuing the electronic signature
4. The programme structures recommended precautionary measures such as restricting the movement of people during the state of emergency or replacing events/seminars when possible, with online meetings, giving the possibility to the beneficiaries to change the funding contract by notification;
5. The possibility of postponing as much as possible the activities involving events, workshops, seminars, etc. with the participation of a large number of people, respectively the modification of financing contracts, in accordance with the contractual provisions, in the situation where the evolution of COVID-19 prevented the carrying out of project activities according to approved applications;
6. The use of potential savings, in the case of projects financed under Priority Axes 3 and 5 under implementation and whose purpose of the project is risk reduction or health interventions, for the purchase of goods and equipment necessary in the fight against COVID-19.

Overall, the beneficiaries declared themselves highly satisfied with the measures implemented by the MA to mitigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The beneficiaries perceived that the possibility of prolonging the graphic of activities and/or to modify the events and meeting activities from face-to-face to online are considered the decisions of the MA which had the most positive impact on the achievements of the project. As well, the adoption of electronic document management and the promotion of e-signatures, facilitated efficient communication and streamlined processes.

The Ukrainian Russian war negatively affected the implementation of the projects which included construction works. The inflation rate of the construction materials in Romania, which was exacerbated by the Russian invasion in Ukraine and by the on-going energy crisis, resulted in higher prices for the construction materials than the prices budgeted initially. This difficulty led to delays in the construction works ensued by the lack of sufficient funding. The partners needed time to identify sources of financing to proceed with this activity. Where budget adjustments were needed due to the increase of prices, programme authorities supported the beneficiaries in finding and applying mitigation solutions.

According to Evaluation Report „Services for evaluating the implementation of The Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme”[1] the evaluation, selection, and contracting process for the projects began in

December 2016, one year after the Programme was approved. This process involved three Open Calls (OCs) and three Restricted Calls (RCs), with RC1 being relaunched because no projects passed the administrative and eligibility compliance phase. The initial Open Calls were launched under time pressure due to delays caused by: slow approval of the Programme document, the late establishment of the legal and administrative framework and the complexity of applying state aid regulations to the cross-border nature of the Programme. In this regard, several processes had to be integrated, including awareness and training, support for beneficiaries, state aid assessment, ongoing assistance for management authorities, monitoring of state aid schemes, and ex-post assessment. Due to difficulties in finalizing the state aid schemes, the Monitoring Committee decided to prioritize launching calls for IPs not falling under state aid regulations first and then proceed with the others once the state aid issue was resolved. The period between launching the Open Calls and finalizing the selection process lasted two years. Nevertheless, it is important to mention here that the submission deadlines were postponed a few times based on the requests received from the applicants. The Restricted Calls had longer durations than the Open Calls mainly due to the Concept Note phase and associated issues with public procurement. The Programme showed flexibility by accommodating extension requests from beneficiaries to support them throughout the implementation process.

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**(b) OPTIONAL FOR LIGHT REPORTS, otherwise it will be included in point 9.1. An assessment of whether progress made towards targets is sufficient to ensure their fulfilment, indicating any remedial actions taken or planned, where appropriate.**

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## **6. CITIZEN'S SUMMARY (ARTICLE 50(9) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013)**

A citizen's summary of the contents of the annual and the final implementation reports shall be made public and uploaded as a separate file in the form of annex to the annual and the final implementation report

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**7. REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS (ARTICLE 46 OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013)**

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**8. PROGRESS IN PREPARATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR PROJECTS AND JOINT ACTION PLANS (ARTICLE 101(H) AND ARTICLE 111(3) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1303/2013 AND ARTICLE 14(3)(B) OF REGULATION (EU) No 1299/2013)**

**8.1. Major projects**

**Table 7: Major projects**

Project	CCI	Status of MP	Total investments	Total eligible costs	Planned notification/submission date	Date of tacit agreement/ approval by Commission	Planned start of implementation	Planned completion date	Priority Axis/ Investment priorities	Current state of realisation — financial progress (% of expenditure certified to Commission compared to total eligible cost)	Current state of realisation — physical progress Main implementation stage of the project	Main outputs	Date of signature of first works contract (1)	Observations
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(1) In the case of operations implemented under PPP structures the signing of the PPP contract between the public body and the private sector body (Article 102(3) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013).

**Significant problems encountered in implementing major projects and measures taken to overcome them**

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**Any change planned in the list of major projects in the cooperation programme**

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8.2. Joint action plans

Progress in the implementation of different stages of joint action plans

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Table 8: Joint action plans (JAP)

Title of the JAP	CCI	Stage of implementation of JAP	Total eligible costs	Total public support	OP contribution to JAP	Priority axis	Type of JAP	[Planned] submission to the Commission	[Planned] start of implementation	[Planned] completion	Main outputs and results	Total eligible expenditure certified to the Commission	Observations
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Significant problems encountered and measures taken to overcome them

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## 9. ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 50(4) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013 AND ARTICLE 14(4) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1299/2013)

### 9.1 Information in Part A and achieving the objectives of the programme (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)

Priority axis	PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)
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#### **PA1 - Joint protection and efficient use of common values and resources (Cooperating on common values and resources)**

16 projects were financed within PA1, with a contracted value representing about 25% of the total ERDF available at programme level. Out of the 16 projects contracted 3 were strategic projects contracted within the 3rd Restricted Call while 13 projects are normal projects contracted within the 1st Open Call (SO1.2) and the 2nd Open Call (SO1.1).

At the level of SO 1.1, 2 projects have been contracted within the 2nd Open Call for normal projects. The cumulative targets of the 2 contracted projects surpass the programme target.

In case of SO 1.2, the cumulative progress made by the 14 contracted projects in terms of output indicators achievement is significantly above the programme level set targets.

Through the 16 projects financed within Priority 1, out of which 2 under SO 1.1 and 14 under SO 1.2, all the output indicator were surpassed, as it follows:

1. CO09 Sustainable Tourism: Increase in expected number of visits to supported sites of cultural and natural heritage and attractions - 139,810 achieved towards the set target of 61,000.00 visits/year – accomplished 229%;
2. C023 Nature and biodiversity: Surface area of habitats supported to attain a better conservation status - 108,954 ha of habits supported out of the 105,000.00 target – accomplished 104%;
3. 6/b 1 Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (after the completion of the project) – 9 measurement points out of the 7 established as target - accomplished 128%;

As regarding the result indicators, in case of SO1.1 - The expected result of the programme - Water quality (ecological condition) of crossborder rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area is directly linked with the output indicator - Number of measurement points positively affected by the interventions (9 after the completion of the project). According to the Final Evaluation Report, based on the data provided by the National Environmental Institution in Hungary and the Romanian Waters National Administration, the value of the indicator established under the SO 1.1 “Water quality (ecological condition) of cross border rivers at the measurement points in the eligible area (PA1, IP 6/b)” was 2.88, higher than the target of 2.38 set for 2023.

In case of SO1.2, the result indicator “Tourist overnight stays in the eligible Programme area (PA1, IP 6/c)” measured in the eligible area of the Programme indicated the value of 5.766.974 overnight stays, according to the Final Implementation Report, surpassing the target of 5,485,294.00 set for 2023.

The overall implementation of priority axis 1 went smoothly. As reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, all the targets set in the performance framework were reached or exceeded. The main reason for this over performance is a higher focus on Structural Funds than anticipated.

Priority axis	PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)
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## **PA2 - Improve sustainable cross-border mobility and remove bottlenecks (Cooperating on accessibility)**

5 projects were financed within PA2, out of which 1 strategic project under SO2.1 (contracted within the 1st Restricted Call) and 4 normal projects under SO2.2 (contracted within 2nd Open Call in case of 7c/2 and 3rd Open Call in case of 7c/1).

SO 2.1 - It is important to note that the physical road network can only partially measure accessibility in the context of mobility. The main reason for this is that it does not matter where the road section is built, what network role it plays, how well it actually serves the population. The project has mainly implemented access roads and inter-municipal roads, which significantly and substantially improve the accessibility of the individual municipalities and help the transport potential of the cross-border area, but their macro-network impact is marginal (although it is not necessarily the task of the INTERREG programme to provide a complex development of the main TEN-T network).

SO 2.2 - The increase of cross-border public transport services can help the achievement of the result indicator. All the improvements made have contributed to the development of public transport and cycling. Some of the projects specifically targeted the development of cross-border transport, thus helping to achieve the result indicator.

In terms of output indicators, achievement is significantly above the programme level set targets, as follows:

1. In case of SO2.1:
2. For CO13 Roads: Total length of newly built roads – the target of 12 km was achieved through project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call), the total length of newly built roads is 12.14 km;
3. For CO14 Roads: Total length of reconstructed or upgraded roads – the target of 18 km was surpassed through project ROHU444 (2nd phase of 1st Restricted Call), the total length of the reconstructed roads is 20.06 km;
4. In case of SO2.2:
  1. For 7/c 1: Number of cross-border public transport services developed / improved – the target of 17 units was achieved through projects ROHU-390 (16 cross-border public transport services) and ROHU 422 (1- cross-border public transport services);
  2. For 7/c 2: Total length of newly built bicycle road – the accomplished value is 20.44 km, reached through the activities implemented by projects ROHU-128 and ROHU-140, surpassing the established target of 17 km by 20.23%.

In regards with the result indicators:

1. in case of SO2.1, the indicator “Cross-border population served by modernized infrastructure leading to TEN-T (no. of inhabitants) (PA 2, IP 7/b)”, from the data collected from the National Statistics Offices from Romania and Hungary, the estimation of the indicator’s value is approximately 607.768 inhabitants, representing 139,56% of the programme target;
2. in case of SO 2.2, for the programme result indicator “Ratio of people to motorized road vehicles crossing the border (PA 2, IP 7/c)”, the value calculated for the eligible area, based on the data received from the Border Policy Offices from Romania and Hungary is 2,35 in 2022, less than the target set for 2023, which is 2,59 and also less than the baseline calculated for 2014. Similar with other several indicators, also in this case, the pandemic affected the

registered trends, because of the fact that people avoided public transportation means during the period when restrictions were enforced.

The overall implementation of priority axis 2 went smoothly. As reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, all the targets set in the performance framework were reached or exceeded. The main reason for this over performance is a higher focus on Structural Funds than anticipated.

Priority axis	PA3 - Improve employment and promote cross-border labour mobility (Cooperating on employment)
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### **PA3 - Improve employment and promote cross-border labour mobility (Cooperating on employment)**

Within PA3 there were 19 projects contracted, 1 under the 3rd Restricted Call and 18 under the 3rd Open Call.

SO 3.1 - The main contribution of the projects to increasing access to the labour market in the region represents the development of the training facilities, as they will serve on the long term as a place where continuous adult education learning can take place.

The output indicator CO44 Labour Market and Training: Number of participants in joint local employment initiatives and joint training dedicated to SO3.1 was accomplished in proportion of 124%, with an absolute value of 32,243 persons compared to the set value of 26,000 persons.

In terms of result indicators, from the data collected from the National Statistics Offices of Romania and Hungary, the value of the result indicator “Employment rate in the eligible area as a percentage of the working age population (PA 3, IP 8/b)” is 56,70% for year 2021, higher than the target of 56,38%.

To conclude, the overall implementation of priority axis 3 went smoothly, although 2 normal projects (ROHU-421 and ROHU-359) were classified as non-functional and therefore the output indicators achieved by these projects were not counted.

As reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, all the targets set in the performance framework were reached or exceeded. The main reason for this over performance is a higher focus on Structural Funds than anticipated

Priority axis	PA4 - Improving health-care services (Cooperating on health-care and prevention)
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### **PA4 - Improving health-care services (Cooperating on health-care and prevention)**

A total number of 15 projects were financed through PA4, out of which 4 are strategic projects selected within the 2nd Restricted Call and 11 are normal projects submitted within the 3rd Open Call.

SO 4.1 - While not all medical entities in the 8 counties were financed, the investments were considerable, focused on key institutions and services in at least 5 out of the 8 counties (serving also patients outside of the programme area) and the effectiveness of the projects as such, as well as the synergy between some of them at county level or in the border area (to a more limited extent) do produce a wider change from the perspective of service quality and access.

SO4.1 addressed 2 output indicators, as follows:

1. 9/a 1 Population having access to improved health services - The contracted projects within PA4 are covering/are implemented in all 8 counties within the eligible area (3,724,226.00), therefore, the total population within the Programme area will have access to improved healthcare services – the target is expected to be reached by the end of 2026, due to the fact that projects targeting the population of Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg (ROHU387 and ROHU457) are classified as non-functional projects and are expected to be finalized by the end of 2026;
2. 9/a 2 Number of health-care departments affected by modernized equipment – reached the value of 116 health-care departments affected by modernization, surpassing the target by 59%, although, out of the 15 contracted projects, 3 projects (ROHU449, ROHU457 and ROHU387) were classified as non-functional, therefore the related output indicators were not counted.

The result indicator for SO 4.1 of the programme “Average service level in health care institutions in the eligible area (PA 4, IP 9/a)”, based on the methodology established under the programme for calculating the value of the indicator, the result is 3,33, less than the target for 2023. For the calculation of the result indicators, data was collected from 9 relevant stakeholders. However, after completion of the 3 non-functional projects the target value of the indicator is expected to be reached.

To conclude, the overall implementation of priority axis 4 went smoothly, although 3 projects (ROHU449, ROHU457 and ROHU387) were classified as non-functional, therefore the related output indicators were not counted.

As reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, the targets set in the performance framework were reached in case of indicator 9/a 2, while for indicator 9/a 1 it is expected to be reached by the end of 2026 when the non-functional projects should be finalized.

Priority axis	PA5 - Improve risk-prevention and disaster management (Cooperating on risk prevention and disaster management)
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#### **PA5 - Improve risk-prevention and disaster management (Cooperating on risk prevention and disaster management)**

10 projects submitted within 1st Open Call for normal projects were contracted under PA5. Out of the ten contracted 9 were finalized while 1 project (ROHU102) was classified as non-functional and is expected to be finalized by the end of the 2026.

In terms of indicators, the output indicator of PA5 is 5/b 1 *Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services*, and was surpassed by the 9 finalized projects by 30%.

The value of the result indicator *Improved quality of the joint risk management* is assessed through a questionnaire survey of relevant organisations on a Likertscale. While, the output indicator *Population safeguarded by improved emergency response services* focused on the target group of the projects, on the contrary, the result indicator focuses on those carrying out the investments.

In regards with the result indicator for SO 5.1 of the programme “Quality of the joint risk management (PA 5, IP 5/b)”, based on the methodology established under the programme for calculating the value of the indicator, the result is 2,78, lower than the target for 2023 of 3,23 and also of the baseline calculated in 2014, which was 3,02. This value was calculated based on 25 received responses, thus based on the perspective of 25 institutions responsible with risk management from both sides of the border.

To conclude, the overall implementation of priority axis 5 went smoothly, although 1 project (ROHU102) was classified as non-functional and is expected to be finalized by end of 2026. As

reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, the output indicator target set in the performance framework were surpassed, showing a stronger focus on Structural Funds than anticipated

Priority axis	PA6 - Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens (Cooperation of institutions and communities)
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#### **PA6 - Promoting cross-border cooperation between institutions and citizens (Cooperation of institutions and communities)**

A total number of 33 projects were contracted PA6, launched within the 2nd Open Call for normal projects and finalized, out of which 11 projects under IP 11b/1 and 22 projects under IP 11b/2.

The high number and frequency of workshops and meetings organised within the projects under PA6 generated a solid platform of communication on technical level among the participants on different issues, including public administration, civic engagement, education and culture promotion, sports, border security, administrative capacity for water management. In many cases the exchange of experience allowed the presentation of good practices and generated plans for new projects among partners and among other organisations in the involved municipalities. Moreover, in some cases, the participation of citizens, of different ages (children, young people, adults or elderly) in projects activities, including promotion and dissemination activities, is encouraging further cross-border cohesion and cooperation among civil society organisations and informal groups.

In terms of output indicators, the programme level set targets are achieved, as follows:

1. 11/b1 Number of institutions directly involved in cross-border cooperation initiatives – 38 institutions were directly involved in cooperation initiatives within the 11 contracted projects, achieving the set target in proportion of 100%;
2. 11/b2 Number of people participating in cross-border cooperation initiatives - 30,583.00 people participated in cross-border cooperation initiatives within the 22 finalized projects, achieving the target set in proportion of 102%.

In regards with the result indicator for SO 6.1 of the programme “Intensity level of cross-border cooperation (PA 6, IP 11/b)”, based on the methodology established under the programme for calculating the value of the indicator, the result is 3,23, lower than the target for 2023 of 3,57 and also of the baseline calculated in 2014, which was 3,46. This value was calculated based on scores given by 57 relevant institutions (based on the programme methodology).

Nevertheless, it is important to mention here, that when stakeholders are asked directly about the intensity of cooperation, they express a very positive opinion considering that the level of cooperation has increased to a very large or large extent. But when the definition of the programme is applied, the values decrease, and this can be explained by the fact that stakeholders do not perceive the meaning of the concept “intensity of cross-border cooperation” as defined by the programme.

In conclusion, the overall implementation of priority axis 6 went smoothly, without non-functional projects. As reflected in section 3.2 of the present report, the output indicator targets set in the performance framework were achieved.

Priority axis	TA - Technical Assistance
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#### **TA - Technical Assistance**

The resources and activities of the technical assistance priority have allowed the programme to assess, approve and monitor 98 interreg[SA1] [M\_SC2] projects, to commit the programme budget and to spend 96% of the ERDF allocated to the programme. Altogether 92 projects have been finalized by the end 2024, while 6 projects were classified as non-functional, the deadline for completing their implementation is the end of 2026.

This has been made possible notably through:

1. the setup and implementation of adequate management and control systems, confirmed to function properly by the audit authority;
2. the use of eMS - a carefully designed and well-functioning online system, allowing both the application and reporting of projects to be done online and the monitoring and payment of projects to be carried out within the regulatory framework;
3. communication activities allowing applicants and beneficiaries to be well-informed about the programme objectives and procedures, and the programme to disseminate and capitalise on the project results
4. excellent support and collaboration provided by the Joint Secretariat and the Info Points. The JS has been the main contact point for beneficiaries and due to its location in the Programme area it effectively supported those implementing Interreg funds, as confirmed by the last evaluation report;

Under PA7, Technical Assistance, 23 projects were finalized during 2023 and 6 projects completed in 2024.

The programme achieved the technical assistance output indicators, as follows:

1. TA1 Number of events for information and promotion of the programme – a total of 127 (took place in 2017, 2020 and 2021);
2. TA2 Number of call for proposals launched – 7 Calls for Proposals launched;
3. TA3 Number of MC meetings – 11 MC meetings organized in person or on-line;
4. TA4 Number of projects implemented and closed - 92 projects have been finalized by the end 2024, while 6 projects were classified as non-functional, the deadline for completing their implementation is the end of 2026;
5. TA5 Number of employees FTEs (full time equivalents) whose salaries are co-financed by TA – an average of 68.11 FTEs is registered for the 2016-2023 period;

In conclusion, the TA contributed directly to the effective and smooth management and implementation of the Programme, reaching a 96% absorption rate of the ERDF allocated to the programme.

**9.2. Specific actions taken to promote equality between men and women and to promote non-discrimination, in particular accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the arrangements implemented to ensure the integration of the gender perspective in the cooperation programme and operations (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 2, (d) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)**

An assessment of the implementation of specific actions to take into account the principles set out in Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 on promotion of equality between men and women and non-discrimination, including, where relevant, depending on the content and objectives of the cooperation programme, an overview of specific actions taken to promote equality between men and women and to promote non-discrimination, including accessibility for persons with disabilities, and the arrangements implemented to ensure the integration of the gender perspective in the cooperation programme and operations

**Horizontal principles** were treated like a priority by the Programme, and the requirement to respect and promote them was mandatory for the projects, as provided by the Applicant's Guide for all calls for proposals, to be observed in the development and implementation of all projects:

**Equal opportunities and non-discrimination** - a fundamental right, ensuring the access of every person, on free and equal basis, in the areas of public life. Especially projects under **PA3, PA4** and **PA6** needed to deal with this aspect.

Equal opportunities include Equality between men and women, as specified in the calls for proposals. Special attention on this aspect was to be paid for projects under **PA3** and **PA6**.

To ensure equal opportunities and non-discrimination, at least the followings were considered, in all calls for proposals:

- Only those projects could be selected, which were non-discriminatory and transparent and considered gender equality and non-discrimination principles.
- In projects, where it was feasible, preference was given on the social inclusion of people living in deep poverty.

**During the design of the details of the project, the principles of transparency, equal treatment, non-discrimination, national integrity and sustainable development will be met.**

Therefore, in development of the projects, projects were required to have in view the followings:

- The inclusion of relevant features related to the profile of persons involved in the projects, e.g. on gender, ethnic origin, age, occupation and education level, disabilities etc.;
- The evaluation of actions for the involvement of potentially discriminated groups in project implementation e.g. related to flexible working arrangements, representation arrangements, provisions for persons with disabilities etc.;
- Consideration of the different needs and intended and unintended impact of the project on different groups, e.g. vulnerable population with disabilities, returning and internal migrants etc.;
- Consideration of equal opportunities and non-discrimination in project implementation, e.g. concerning the establishment of an Equal Opportunities Action Plan, definition of equal opportunity targets, provision of equal opportunities training or diversity management courses, supporting services;
- Provisions for an equal access to the project's outputs and benefits for all members of the society;
- Consideration of the different starting positions of the target groups based on gender (existence and extent of differences between women and men and the implications of these differences for



the specific policy area etc.) and intended and unintended impact of the operation of the project on those groups in the project concept;

- Consideration of equality between men and women in project implementation, e.g. through inclusion of gender mainstreaming provisions, concerning the special needs and circumstances of men and women employees, introducing flexible, individual arrangements for female employees including childcare.

**The observance of the horizontal principles was considered during projects assessment. Projects which proposed explicit measures with positive impact on one or more of them, could be awarded additional points.**

However, accomplishing the minimum requirements of law in the fields of promotion of equal opportunities and non-discrimination, equality between men and women and sustainable development was mandatory not extra scored.

Not validated

### 9.3.Sustainable development (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 2, (e) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)

An assessment of the implementation of actions to take into account the principles set out in Article 8 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 on sustainable development, including, where relevant, depending on the content and objectives of the cooperation programme, an overview of the actions taken to promote sustainable development in accordance with that Article

The sustainable development was among the horizontal principles to be observed by all applicants in the development and implementation of their projects:

According to all calls for proposals, **Sustainable development** was defined as a development process that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. The environmental protection is an integrated part of the development process. In designing and implementing the project, the applicants had to aim at a balanced use of resources, appropriate choice of logistics and raising public awareness on sustainable development issues (e.g. by inserting messages on printed materials or in the e-mails).

In addition, challenges brought by the **climate change** had to be duly considered. Climate change - a great concern at global and EU level – was another key element of which the applicants were to be aware of. The main factors contributing to climate change are greenhouse gases deployed in the atmosphere from energy and non-energy sources. Projects had to at least avoid making use of such sources and additionally support the fight against climate change.

Special attention on the above was needed under **PA1, PA2 and PA5**.

In order to ensure sustainable development, the followings were to be used as general guiding principles:

- Due attention paid to the environmental protection requirements, climate change mitigation and adaptation.
- In case of transport development, the aspect of smart regional mobility to be promoted.
- In case of road constructions silent road surface for road constructions in populated areas to be requested.
- In case of purchasing vehicles for the improvement of the transport conditions, silent modes to be considered when selecting.
- In case of investments negatively affecting nature, fauna and flora, and biodiversity, only those projects were to be selected, where investments were accompanied by compensatory measures and damage mitigation.

In addition, wherever relevant, in the case of investment projects the following requirements were to be considered:

- for projects involving purchasing products, those products had to comply with the energy efficiency requirements set out in Annex III of the Energy Efficiency Directive (2012/27/EU) for products subject to public procurement;
- if a project involved building, construction and renovation, requirement to prove cost-optimal levels of energy performance according to Directive 2010/31/EU.

**9.4. Reporting on support used for climate change objectives (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013)**

Calculated amount of support to be used for climate change objectives based on the cumulative financial data by category of intervention in Table 7

Priority axis	Amount of support to be used for climate change objectives (EUR)	Proportion of total allocation to the operational programme (%)
PA1	9,111,439.64	18.18%
PA2	3,562,965.55	20.70%
PA5	9,155,737.03	79.80%
Total	21,830,142.22	11.54%

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## **9.5 Role of partners in the implementation of the cooperation programme (Article 50(4) of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013 and Article 14(4), subparagraph 1, (c) of Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013)**

Assessment of the implementation of actions to take into account the role of partners referred to in Article 5 of Regulation (EU) No 1303/2013, including involvement of the partners in the implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the cooperation programme

According to section 5.3 Summary description of the management and control arrangements 5.3.1 Tasks and responsibilities of Programme's management and control bodies of the Cooperation Programme document, the MC was composed of representatives of the MA, NA and of representatives of the institutions nominated by the MSs forming national delegations by respecting the principles of partnership and multi-level governance. Each member of the Monitoring Committee had voting right. Each observer of the monitoring committee had an exclusively consultative role, without decision-making power.

The Cooperation Programme provides that the Monitoring Committee members must represent the participating MSs on policy and administrative levels and thus ensure a transparent approach respecting the principles of partnership and multilevel governance, the 8 counties form the CB area and similar national and regional level in both MSs. Also, the Monitoring Committee members would consult with the representatives of the civil society, and benefit from the expertise on climate change among the MC members.

The rules of procedure of the MC (including the Code of Conduct), the methodology and criteria for selection of the operations as well as the eligibility rules of the Programme were adopted based on Programme adoption by the EC.

According to their RoP, the MC members and observers were requested to sign declarations stating that they are aware of the following rules of the code of conduct, compulsory to be observed:

- to participate to MC meetings, as well as to the decision-making process through the written procedure, when necessary;
- to act in the interest of the efficient implementation of the Programme, in accordance with the scope and objectives established by the Programme;
- to take decisions in the public interest and not to act in the purpose of obtaining financial advantages or other benefits for themselves or for others;
- to declare to the Chair, at the beginning of or during the meeting, any situation of conflict of interests in which I might be with regard to the discussions on a specific subject. In this case, I will not vote. Also, the I will exit the meeting room and come back only after the end of the voting of that specific point on the agenda;
- to inform, after the closure of the meeting, the public authority, the institution or the organization which is being represented about the main issues discussed and about the decisions taken;
- to maintain the confidentiality of the information which, if disclosed, might harm the legitimate interest of any institution, organization or person, or the information that might create illegitimate advantages through their privileged usage;
- to observe the MC decisions, according to the Rules of procedures;
- to behave in a professional and educated manner.

Not validated

## **10. OBLIGATORY INFORMATION AND ASSESSMENT ACCORDING TO ARTICLE 14(4), SUBPARAGRAPH 1 (A) AND (B), OF REGULATION (EU) No 1299/2013**

### **10.1 Progress in implementation of the evaluation plan and the follow-up given to the findings of evaluations**

The evaluation plan, approved in November 2016 underwent two revisions, in March 2018 and May 2021, to better align with the needs of the Programme and synchronize with its implementation status. The updated plan included three external evaluations:

- the implementation of the communication strategy (June - October 2017)
- the physical and financial progress and the efficiency of implementation systems about the programme and projects, horizontal topics included (October 2019 – May 2020)

the impact of the programme, also covering its effectiveness (February-September 2023)

1st evaluation (Evaluation of the communication strategy) identified no significant problems. Nonetheless, several measures were proposed on the occasion of the 3rd MC Meeting (February 2018) and adopted by the Programme, among which Project Implementation Manual availability in national languages, increased number of eMS support activities for beneficiaries, dissemination of project results and beneficiaries' involvement in Programme events, website updates, etc.

2nd evaluation (Implementation evaluation) focused on how the programme was functioning and its implementation status, providing recommendations for the remaining period. The evaluation showed that the Programme remained relevant to the needs in the eligible area, had a balanced relevance to all three EUROPE 2020 Strategy priorities, and was coherent with EUSDR. However, the COVID-19 pandemic affected the progress in implementation and the level of achievements at programme level. The mid-term evaluation outcomes were presented to the MC in the context of Written Procedure no 79 in September 2020. The recommendations, such as a more flexible and simplified approach in project implementation, enhanced efficiency of and stakeholders' broader implication in the programming process, revision of programme indicators target values, etc. were formulated and further implemented.

One recommendation concerned the impact assessment planned for 2021, which was redesigned as a second ongoing evaluation focused on effectiveness and impact to be implemented in 2023, to allow projects to produce as much as possible outputs and contributions to the expected results. Consequently, to comply with Article 114 of the (EU) Regulation 1303/2013 (Common Provisions Regulation), a Summary of evaluation findings for Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme including consolidated information from the 2 programme evaluations already performed, was presented to COM by the end of 2022.

3rd evaluation (Impact assessment with a focus on effectiveness) presents the main findings regarding the progress in reaching each specific objective and the contribution of interventions to the achieved progress, factors facilitating the contribution, intended and unintended effects; outputs and results indicators; effects on the cross-border regional development and cooperation/beneficiaries/target groups; sustainability of outputs and results; the added value of the programme, and of the strategic projects in terms of impact.

20 conclusions were drawn, and 12 recommendations were formulated, mainly in relation to the implementation phase of the Interreg VI-A ROHU Programme, as, at the time, the Programme was already under consultation with COM for adoption. Furthermore, an Indicative Action Plan for the implementation of the recommendations was provided, envisaging potential remedy measures and the related timeframe.

Out of the 12 recommendations

Recommendation 2 In order to facilitate both the project and programme implementation, taking into account the risk of economic crisis and inflation, applying indexation of projects' budgets with the inflation rate and making adjustment to the programme budget taking into account savings from public procurement and the impact of inflation constitutes an important measure that can come to the support of beneficiaries, especially in the context of significant disruptive context factors, such as the energy and economic crisis, addressed ROHU V-A Programme. The proposed measure to increase project budgets was considered for projects under implementation, to which additional funding was awarded through MC decisions.

Recommendation 11 Better valorisation of the outputs and results of the implemented projects, through a more intense dissemination of good practice examples can benefit the programme and bring more applicants to calls, concerned the implementation of both programmes. The proposed actions, such as wider dissemination of best practices and capitalization on project results were embedded into the Interreg V-A ROHU Programme closing event (December 2023) and helpdesk sessions dedicated to potential future applicants.

The other 10 recommendations would apply to the preparation and/or implementation phases of the Interreg VI-A ROHU Programme. Some of them had already been anticipated and considered when designing the programme/call-related documents/procedural framework. For example:

- simplified rules or terms for the application/contracting processes and reduced administrative burden for applicants/beneficiaries were envisaged when drafting the procedural framework, and exceptional measures were approved for Operations of Strategic Importance assessment and contracting;
- a larger number of beneficiaries was targeted when deciding on an increased ERDF allocation for people-to-people projects, as compared to the previous programme (However, the proposed measure was to reduce the programme allocation dedicated to strategic projects)

Several recommendations and related actions such as organizing training for beneficiaries regarding public procurement procedures, to avoid project implementation delays; better highlighting the causal links between outputs and result indicators by assessing result indicators values more frequently, so as the Managing Authority is able to analyse the trends, and external factors and adjust the targets in accordance in a timely manner; adjustments to the programme allocations, taking into account savings from public procurement at project level, in order to remove bottlenecks in other projects under implementation are already envisaged/planned to be further implemented at Interreg VI-A ROHU level.

Considering the timeframe of the 3rd evaluation execution, the fact that such evaluation and the programming process for Interreg VI-A Romania-Hungary Programme run in parallel, as well as the status of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme implementation at the time, based on Evaluation Plan provisions, the FINAL EVALUATION REPORT - Impact Evaluation - Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme (available on the Interreg ROHU website), is included in this Final Report, as supporting document.

Status	Name	Fund	Year of finalizing evaluation	Type of evaluation	Thematic objective	Topic	Findings (in case of execution)	Follow up (in case of execution)
Executed	Evaluation of the communication activity in order to support the potential beneficiaries of the Interreg V-A Romania Hungary Programme	ERDF	2017	Impact	05 06 07 08 09 11	To assess the implementation of the communication strategy	<p>1.To facilitate the understanding of the information from the Guide of Applicants, by the applicants, it was recommended to realize clearer connections between its summary and the investments' typology</p> <p>2.To increase the degree of transparency regarding the launched calls, is important to inform beneficiaries, after the deadline for submitting the proposals, regarding the number of projects received which will be evaluated from administrative point of view, and also their total budget</p> <p>3. Planning of the calendar of different calls must take into consideration the time necessary for the applicants/ potential beneficiaries to prepare the projects.</p> <p>4. The necessity to disseminate information related to successful projects was considered necessary. To increase the interactivity of the information and communication sessions, was</p>	<p>1. General information's were given, to ensure an increase visibility degree.</p> <p>2. Publishing certain statistics on the Programme website, regarding the number of projects submitted and their total budget.</p> <p>3.The calendar for different calls was designed in such a way, that the deadline not be in the proximity of free legal days of the public authorities. The corrigendum, when the case, was published well in advance before the deadline</p> <p>4. Communication sessions were organised, where beneficiaries of successful projects were invited to introduce their project and elements which lead to success. capitalization Also, sessions were organised.</p>



							recommended to directly involve beneficiaries in information events, by presenting good practices examples, in view of disseminating the positive results of the projects and the programme	
Executed	Services for evaluating the implementation of The Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme	ERDF	2020	Mixed	05 06 07 08 09 11	To assess the functioning of the Programme in order to provide useful recommendations for its remaining implementation period.	<p>1. The programming process should be more efficient, more focused on the entire eligible area cohesion and the design of the programme should encourage a higher integration of the interventions on both sides of the border and wider participation of the stakeholders</p> <p>2. MA, NA and JS should ensure support to the beneficiaries to deal with COVID-19 pandemic and associated social and economic impact.</p> <p>3. Prepare and operate through cooperation the necessary changes in the programme to respond to the actual challenges</p> <p>4. MA, NA should agree on the approach for the future programme to have a shorter</p>	<p>1. a Thematic committees or working groups were created, with an adequate approach to stimulate the involvement of the stakeholders</p> <p>1.b. Cooperation programme identified flagship projects based on concept notes</p> <p>1.c TA funds were used for the preparation of mature flagship projects, ready to be contracted</p> <p>2. Solutions for more flexibility were identified, to adopt simplified modalities regarding projects changes</p> <p>3.a. Changes of the programme indicators, and performance framework in line with the existing assessments were performed</p> <p>3.b EC flexibility regarding the decommitment rule, postponing or reducing the threshold accordingly to the impact of COVID were used</p>

							<p>duration and higher quality evaluation and selection process</p> <p>5. Agreement regarding the future management information system to be used in the cooperation programme 2021 – 2027</p> <p>6. MA and JS should continue the efforts for simplification of documents required in the evaluation</p> <p>7. The impact evaluation planned for 2021 should be redesigned as a second ongoing evaluation focused on effectiveness and impact.</p>	<p>4.a Flagships projects were preselected and included in the programme, the two-stage selection was excluded</p> <p>4.b International expertise in the technical evaluation was used, pairs of national experts covering the specificities of the CBC programmes and the two countries.</p> <p>4.c Internal expertise was involved in administrative and eligibility phase</p> <p>5. Jems</p> <p>6. No translation required for valid documents in the national language-where for audit purposes is acceptable, more flexibility in projects implementation with less bureaucratic changes, faster resolution of problems encountered, an extension of simplified costs options in the future programme</p> <p>7. Impact evaluation was conducted in 2023 to allow the projects to produce as much as possible outputs and contributions to the expected results</p>
Executed	Impact Evaluation - Interreg V-A Romania – Hungary Programme	ERDF	2023	Impact	05 06 07 08 09 11	General effectiveness of the Programme	<p>1. The effectiveness of the programme, based on its current implementation status (73 projects out of the 108</p>	<p>1. Training for beneficiaries regarding public procurement procedures, to avoid project implementation delays were</p>

						<p>contracted projects were finalized at the date of the evaluation) varies across its 8 specific objectives.</p> <p>2. The Covid19 pandemic had a significant impact on the values of several programme result indicators. It is expected that by the end of the programme many sectors are revitalized and achieve a similar or higher development status as before the pandemic outburst.</p> <p>3. The link between the objectives of the programme, thus the expected results and the planned outputs is strong, and the targets were well set, especially in the case of SOs 1.1, 2.2, 4.1 and 6.1. However, contextual factors were taken into account to a limited extent when designing the methodology for calculating the baseline and the target values for results indicators set under SO 4.1, 5.1 and 6.1.</p> <p>4. In general, the funds available and eligible activities were considered very important by both beneficiaries and other stakeholders, addressing in a proper way the</p>	<p>organized. Adjustments to the programme allocations, taking into account savings from public procurement at project level, in order to remove bottlenecks in other projects under implementation are already envisaged/planned to be further implemented in Interreg VI-A ROHU.</p> <p>2. Important ERDF amounts were allocated for healthcare and culture &amp; tourism sectors, to overcome the negative impact of The Covid19 pandemic</p> <p>3. The methodology provided by the EU regulation for the VI-A RO-HU Programme result indicators represents an improvement compared with the programming period 2014-2020. Risks similar to the ones already encountered regarding most indicators and targets are not foreseen in the future. Also, the causal links between outputs and result indicators (by assessing result indicators values more frequently) were better highlighted, so that the Managing Authority can analyse the trends, external factors, and adjust the targets in accordance in a timely manner</p> <p>4. Priorities/Specific Objectives to be supported under VI-A RO-HU</p>
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						<p>existing problems in each sector and the needs of the eligible applicants.</p> <p>5. The beneficiaries attribute to a large extent the success of the implementation process to the excellent support and collaboration provided by the Joint Secretariat and the Info Points. The JS has been the main contact point for beneficiaries and due to its location and the conducted analyses showed that it effectively supported those implementing Interreg funds</p>	<p>Programme were selected following an extensive consultation process with local/regional/central stakeholders, former and potential beneficiaries, etc. For example, a larger number of beneficiaries was targeted when deciding on an increased ERDF allocation for people-to-people projects, as compared to the previous programme</p> <p>5. The 2 Member States decided to keep the previous institutional architecture for the VI-A RO-HU Programme implementation</p>
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10.2 The results of the information and publicity measures of the Funds carried out under the communication strategy

The Programme used digital communication to ensure broad accessibility and effective information dissemination. The **official website, [www.interreg-rohu.eu](http://www.interreg-rohu.eu)**, served as the **main communication platform**, providing trilingual access (Ro, Hu, En) to essential information, including **programme rules, calls for proposals, implementation guidelines, and funding opportunities**. It also featured **downloadable application packages, manuals, financial and legal documents**, and a **"Financed Projects" section**, which was regularly updated with project summaries, key achievements, and pictures. Since its launch in **2015**, the website has attracted **489,721 visitors** and recorded **2,924,723 hits** by **2023**, demonstrating its critical role in ensuring **visibility, transparency, and accessibility**.

To ensure consistent branding across all materials and platforms, a **Visual Identity Manual** was developed and updated based on need. A variety of **publications** were produced, including **brochures, booklets, and promotional videos**, highlighting key achievements of the Programme and projects. The **ROHU Magazine** showcased **project success stories and Programme impact**, reaching diverse audiences.

The **Programme's annual events**, such as **European Cooperation Day (EC Day) and thematic conferences**, provided platforms to showcase achievements and foster cooperation. **Info Days, Lead Beneficiary Seminars, Communication, and eMS training sessions** were organized to support applicants and beneficiaries in project development and implementation. Additionally, the **Monitoring Committee and technical meetings** ensured strong governance, alignment with EU requirements, and smooth Programme execution.

**Prestigious Recognition – RegioStars 2024 Finalists:** In **2024**, the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme received prestigious recognition as **two of its projects** were selected as **RegioStars 2024 finalists**, ranking among 25 finalists from 262 applications across the EU. **Chess Start (ROHU 277)** and **TRANSBORDER (ROHU 390)** were showcased at the **European Week of Regions and Cities** on October 8-9, 2024, in Brussels, as part of RegioStars, the EU's label of excellence for projects.

The **Monitoring Committee** approved the **Programme's Communication Strategy** during its first meeting on **May 26, 2016, in Békéscsaba, Hungary**. The strategy established **communication-specific indicators** to measure the achievement of its objectives. These indicators were **assessed annually** and presented to the Monitoring Committee as part of the Communication Strategy's implementation progress.

All **information and publicity measures** outlined in the CS and in the **approved Annual Communication Plans for 2016-2023** were successfully implemented, with the results reflected in the indicators listed below.

Indicator: CO 1.1. No. of internal meetings and trainings held

Source of data: List of participants

2016: 12, 2017: 20, 2018: 16, 2019: 23, 2020: 51 (online), 2021: 2+40 (online), 2022: 70, **2023: 80**

**Cumulated: 314**

Target value: At least 1/year

Indicator: CO 1.1. No. of MC meetings [1] \*

Source of data: Minutes of MC meetings

2016: 2, 2017: 1, 2018: 3, 2019: 1, 2020: 1 (online), 2021: 1 (online), 2022: 1 (online), **2023: 1**

**Cumulated: 11**

Target value: At least 1/year

Indicator: CO 1.2. No. of participation of the staff to Interact and other inter-programme initiatives, focusing on experience exchange

Source of data: List of participants

2016: 3, 2017: 11, 2018: 40, 2019: 9, 2020: 24 (online), 2021: 20 (online), 2022: 3+11 (online), **2023: 6+13 (online)**

**Cumulated: 140**

Target value: At least 1/ year

Indicator: CO 2.1. No. of events for information and promotion of the Programme (targeted events for applicants) [2] \*

Source of data: Sum of own data collected by JS

2016: NA, 2017: 86, 2018 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 86**

Target value: At least 1 joint Partner Search Forum for each open CfP and 4 Info days sessions held for pair counties in connection with each CfPEN 65 EN

Indicator: CO 2.1. No. of participants in information events held for project applicants

Source of data: List of participants

2016: NA, 2017: 1628, 2018 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 1628**

Target value: Variable for each type of event

Indicator: CO 2.1. No. of Calls for proposals launched [3] \*

Source of data: Sum of own data collected by JS

2016: 2, 2017: 5, 2018 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 7**

Target value: Variable, based on the decision of the Programme management bodies

Indicator: CO 2.2. No of targeted events for project beneficiaries held

Source of data: Sum of own data collected by JS

2016 - 2017: NA, 2018: 7, 2019: 18, 2020: 2+47 (online), 2021: 51 (online), 2022: 160

**2023: NA**

**Cumulated: 285**

Target value: At least 4 training sessions held for pair counties in connection with each CfP /series of approved projects (including use of the eMS system)

Indicator: CO 3.1. No. communication actions with media impact (press conferences, press releases, interviews, and advertisements via different media channels)

Source of data: Sum of own data collected by JS

2016: 2, 2017: 21, 2018: 5, 2019: 2, 2020: 5, 2021: 2, 2022: 3, **2023: 2**

**Cumulated: 42**

Target value: Min. 1 action with media impact/ year

Indicator: CO 3.1. No. of websites created

Source of data: Data collected by JS

2016: 1, 2017 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 1**

Target value: 1 website

Indicator: CO 3.1. No. of Programme annual events

Source of data: Data collected by JS

2016: 1, 2017: 1, 2018: 1, 2019: 1, 2020: 1 online /tv, 2021: 1 online, 2022: 1 online

**2023: 1**

**Cumulated: 8**

Target value: 1 event/ year

Indicator: CO 3.1. No. of publications printed/ to be printed

Source of data: Data collected by JS

2016: 2000, 2017: 6000, 2018: 65, 2019: NA, 2020: 1800, 2021: 3000, 2022 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 12865**

Target value: Leaflets 1000, Project brochures and other publications, based on need

Indicator CO 3.1. No of users receiving the electronic newsletter/newsflash

Source of data: Data collected by JS

2016: 500, 2017: 2000, 2018: 813, 2019: 847, 2020: 933, 2021: 1590, 2022: 1590, **2023: 1712**



**Cumulated: 1712**

Target value: Variable, function of e-mailing list: at least 500 persons/issue

Indicator: CO 3.2. No of communication seminars organised

Source of data: Sum of own data collected by JS

2016 - 2023: NA

**Cumulated: 12**

Target value: At least 4 training sessions held for pair countries in connection with each series of approved projects (organised together with project beneficiaries' seminars)

**11. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WHICH MAY BE ADDED DEPENDING ON THE CONTENT AND OBJECTIVES OF THE COOPERATION PROGRAMME (ARTICLE 14(4), SUBPARAGRAPH 2 (A), (B), (C) AND (F), OF REGULATION (EU) No 1299/2013)**

**11.1. Progress in the implementation of the integrated approach to territorial development, including integrated territorial investments, sustainable urban development, and community led local development under the cooperation programme**

Territorial tools like ITI or CLLD were not used at the programme level. However, through its projects, the Programme directly contributed to an integrated approach to territorial development. For instance, the sustainable urban transport system developed In the context of project TRANSBORDER, by 3 partners: Oradea Local Public Transport Company (OTL) – lead beneficiary (with a budget of 1.942.900Euros), Transregio Intercommunity Development Association (TRANSREGIO, with a budget of 49.700 Euros), Debrecen Transport Company (DKV, with a budget of 938.000 Euros).

The main objective of the project is “to improve the quality of the public transport service in the cross-border area represented by the Oradea and Debrecen urban poles”. The partnership was created to increase the role of Public Transport in supporting the emergence of a multimodal transport network and removing the bottlenecks on the main urban and metropolitan transport corridors with cross-border impact.

### 11.2 Progress in implementation of actions to reinforce the capacity of authorities and beneficiaries to administer and to use the ERDF

The programme implemented several simplification measures adopted by the monitoring committee. In particular, the programme made use of the following simplified costs' options which were automatically applied in the online application and reporting system to make the budgeting and reporting of costs for beneficiaries easier:

- a flat rate for the budget line 'office and administration' (15% of staff costs)

As expected, this made the reporting for these projects easier and also simplified the monitoring, control and audits of these projects. It therefore reduced the workload for the first level control bodies and the programme authorities for the closure of the programme as the 3rd call projects ended at the latest in 2023.

Over the duration of the programme, the JS and Info Points organised numerous trainings, webinars and networking events for project (lead) partners, including on using the online monitoring system of the programme, eMS, to facilitate the work of all project and programme users.

### 11.3 Contribution to macro-regional and sea basin strategies (where appropriate)

As stipulated by the Regulation (EU) No 1299/2013, recital 19, article 8(3)(d) on the "Content, adoption and amendment of cooperation programmes" and article 14(4) 2nd subparagraph (c) "Implementation reports", this programme contributes to MRS(s) and/or SBS:

The territory of the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary is part of the area covered by the EUSDR. The Programme, through the financed projects, contributed also to the implementation of the EUSDR, to its 4 pillars and most of its Priority Areas as follows:

**Environmental Protection:** initiatives that promote environmental protection (SO1.2) and sustainable resource management in the Danube region (SO1.1, SO1.2). Projects focused on preserving and restoring natural habitats, promoting biodiversity conservation, and implementing measures to improve water quality. These efforts align with the EUSDR objective of protecting and restoring the Danube River's ecological status especially by protecting the environment of the tributaries of the Danube, namely under Priority Area 4 "To restore and maintain the quality of waters", Priority Area 5 of the EUSDR "To manage environmental risks" and Priority Area 6 "To preserve biodiversity, landscapes and the quality of air and soils".

**Cultural Heritage and Tourism:** initiatives that preserve and promote the cultural heritage of the Danube region, including historical sites, traditions, and cultural events. These projects aimed to enhance tourism development, create sustainable tourism products, and improve the region's attractiveness as a tourist destination. By supporting cultural heritage and tourism, the Programme contributes to the EUSDR objective of preserving and promoting the Danube region's cultural identity, namely under Priority Area 3 "To promote culture and tourism, people to people contacts".

**Innovation:** cross-border cooperation between research institutions in the field of environmental protection and in the field of health; projects that stimulated innovation in the Danube region concerning learning and employment valorising the cultural common heritage. By promoting innovation, the Programme contributes to the EUSDR objective of enhancing the region's economic competitiveness, namely under Priority Area Priority Area 7 "To develop the Knowledge Society (research, education and ICT)".

**Connectivity and Infrastructure:** projects that enhance connectivity and develop transport infrastructure along the larger Danube region. These projects aim to improve navigation, upgrade ports, and strengthen multimodal transport links. By enhancing connectivity, the Programme contributes to the EUSDR objective of improving the transportation network in the Danube region, namely under Priority Area 1B "To improve mobility and inter-modality – rail, road and air".

**Social Inclusion and Education:** projects that promote social inclusion, education, and skills development in the Danube region; initiatives to improve access to education, promote social cohesion, and enhance the integration of vulnerable groups. By addressing social challenges, the Programme contributes to the EUSDR objective of promoting social inclusion and cooperation in the Danube region, namely under Priority Area 9 of the EUSDR "To invest in people and skills".

According to the Final Evaluation Report, about a third of projects contributed to a large or very large extent to the objectives of the EUSDR, but over 40% contributed to a small or very small extent (figures established based on a survey conducted among project partners).

- ☐ EU Strategy for the Baltic Sea Region (EUSBSR)
  - ☒ EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)
  - ☐ EU Strategy for the Adriatic and Ionian Region (EUSAIR)
  - ☐ EU Strategy for the Alpine Region (EUSALP)
  - ☐ Atlantic Sea Basin Strategy (ATLSBS)

Not validated

**The pillar(s) and priority area(s) that the programme is relevant to:**

	<b>Pillar</b>	<b>Priority area</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.1 - Mobility - waterways
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.2 - Mobility - rail, road & air
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.3 - Energy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1 - Connecting the Danube region	1.4 - Culture and tourism
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 - Protecting the environment in the Danube region	2.1 - Water quality
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2 - Protecting the environment in the Danube region	2.2 - Environmental risks
<input type="checkbox"/>	2 - Protecting the environment in the Danube region	2.3 - Biodiversity, landscapes, air and soil quality
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.1 - Knowledge society
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.2 - Competitiveness
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3 - Building prosperity in the Danube region	3.3 - People & skills
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4 - Strengthening the Danube region	4.1 - Institutional capacity & cooperation
<input type="checkbox"/>	4 - Strengthening the Danube region	4.2 - Security

**Actions or mechanisms used to better link the programme with the EUSDR**

**A. Are macro-regional coordinators (mainly National Coordinators, Priority Area Coordinators or Steering Group members) participating in the Monitoring Committee of the programme?**

Yes ☒ No ☐

**Name and function**

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade - Budapest Danube Contact Point András GYÖRGY as Observer; Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Hungary - Department for Water Diplomacy and the Danube Region Strategy-Viktor György OROSZI as Observer

**B. In selection criteria, have extra points been attributed to specific measures supporting the EUSDR?**

Yes ☒ No ☐

**a) Are targeted calls for proposals planned in relation to EUSDR**

Yes ☒ No ☐

**b) How many macro-regional projects/actions are already supported by the programme? (Number)**

100

**c) Were extra points/bonus given to a project/action with high macro-regional significance or impact? If yes, please elaborate (1 specific sentence)**

Yes

**d) Other actions (e.g. planned strategic projects). Please elaborate (1 specific sentence)**

In case of flagship projects, there is a specific criterion related to the EUSDR compliance

**C. Has the programme invested EU funds in the EUSDR?**

Yes ☐ No ☒

Does your programme plan to invest in the EUSDR in the future? Please elaborate (1 specific sentence)

No

**D. Obtained results in relation to the EUSDR (n.a. for 2016)**

Not Applicable

**E. Does the programme contribute to the targets as validated by the national coordinators and priority area coordinators in 2016 (uploaded on the EUSDR website)? (Please specify the target(s))**

No



#### **11.4 Progress in the implementation of actions in the field of social innovation**

The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme did not explicitly address social innovation. However, the Programme has facilitated cross-border cooperation between research institutions in the field of environmental protection and in the field of health. The programme also has supported projects that stimulate innovation in the Danube region concerning learning and employment valorising the cultural common heritage. By promoting innovation, the programme contributes to the EUSDR objective of enhancing the region's economic competitiveness, namely under Priority Area Priority Area 7 “To develop the Knowledge Society (research, education and ICT)”.

### 13. SMART, SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GROWTH

Information and assessment of the programme contribution to achieving the Union strategy for smart, sustainable and inclusive growth.

Europe 2020 Strategy puts forward three mutually reinforcing priorities: (1) smart growth: developing an economy based on knowledge and innovation; (2) sustainable growth: promoting a more resource efficient, greener and more competitive economy and (3) inclusive growth: fostering a high-employment economy delivering social and territorial cohesion. In order to deliver smart, sustainable and inclusive growth, five ambitious targets have been set by the Europe 2020 Strategy, covering employment, research and development, climate change and energy sustainability, education, and the fight against poverty and social exclusion. The following table includes the Europe 2020 Strategy targets and the correspondent Specific Objectives of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme contributing to the target.

#### **Correspondence between the Priority Areas of EUSDR and the Specific Objectives of Interreg-V-A Romania-Hungary Programme**

##### **Europe 2020 Strategy targets:**

- 75 % of the population aged 20-64 should be employed

##### **Specific Objectives of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme contributing to the target:**

- Especially PA5-SO 5.1
- SO 1.2 could contribute as the promotion of cultural and historical heritage creates jobs for craftsmen and the promotion of natural, cultural and historical heritage creates can create jobs in tourism
- 3% of the EU's GDP should be invested in R&D

##### **Specific Objectives of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme contributing to the target**

- Especially PA4-SO4.1 supported R&D in the medical field.
- SO1.2 supported research in the field of natural resources protection
- The "20/20/20" climate/energy targets should be met (including an increase to 30% of emissions reduction if the conditions are right)

##### **Specific Objectives of Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme contributing to the target**

- Partly PA1, although the programme did not include investments in the energy field.

- SO2.2 promoted sustainable, green and low carbon mobility

The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme has made significant contributions to the objectives of the Europe 2020 Strategy, which is the European Union's growth and development strategy. The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme contribution is visible in:

1. **Smart Growth:** The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme has fostered projects that promote innovation, research, and technological development, especially in the medical field and concerning the environment. It has supported collaboration between universities, research institutions, hospitals and nongovernmental organisations to encourage knowledge transfer and the development of innovative solutions. These efforts contribute to the Europe 2020 objective of achieving smart, sustainable, and inclusive growth.
2. **Sustainable Growth:** The programme has played a role in promoting sustainable development in the cross-border region between Romania and Hungary. It has supported projects focused on environmental protection, and sustainable resource management, especially protection of water resources. By addressing these areas, the programme contributes to the Europe 2020 objective of promoting a more resource-efficient, greener, and low-carbon economy.
3. **Inclusive Growth and Employment:** The Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme funded projects that promote social inclusion, equal opportunities, and human capital development. It has supported initiatives that enhance access to learning and skills development and these opportunities are accessible for vulnerable groups. By addressing social and economic disparities, the programme contributes to the Europe 2020 objective of promoting inclusive growth and reducing poverty and social exclusion and to the objective of promoting high employment rates and supporting the growth of a dynamic and competitive economy.
4. **Regional Development:** As showed in the analysis for evaluation question 16, the programme has contributed to regional development by fostering cross-border cooperation and strengthening territorial cohesion between Romania and Hungary. It has supported projects that enhance infrastructure and improve connectivity supporting development of cross-border public transport. Moreover, the programme ensured the development of the health infrastructure and services, contributing to increased quality of life in the counties participating and beyond. These efforts align with the Europe 2020 objective of promoting balanced and sustainable regional development.

Overall, the Interreg V-A Romania-Hungary Programme has aligned its objectives and results with the Europe 2020 Strategy and has made contributions to its objectives. These findings are supported by the advised opinion of the beneficiaries, but – similar to the contribution of projects to the objectives of the EU Strategy for the Danube Region – there is a lot of variation of the level of contribution of projects to the EU 2020 Strategy. 46% of the beneficiaries assess that their projects contributed to a large or very large extent to the objectives of the Europe 2020 Strategy, but 27% declared the projects only contributed to a small or very small extent to achieving the objectives of the same strategy.

#### 14. ISSUES AFFECTING THE PERFORMANCE OF THE PROGRAMME AND MEASURES TAKEN — PERFORMANCE FRAMEWORK (ARTICLE 50(2) OF REGULATION (EU) NO 1303/2013)

Where the assessment of progress made with regard to the milestones and targets set out in the performance framework demonstrates that certain milestones and targets have not been achieved, Member States should outline the underlying reasons for failure to achieve these milestones in the report of 2019 (for milestones) and in the final implementation report (for targets).

The final targets for 2023 of the output indicators were reached or even exceeded, except for output indicator 9/a 1 Population having access to improved health

which was achieved only in proportion of 88%. The deviation is given by the population of Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg[M\_SC1] county, population which was addressed only by the projects ROHU457 and ROHU387. These 2 projects are classified as non-functional projects; therefore, their output indicators were not accounted even though all the activities assumed by the Hungarian partners were completed and only the Romanian partners [M\_SC2] have to finalize the planned activities. The population of Satu Mare county was addressed also by these 2 not-finalized projects, but was covered by project ROHU450, which was successfully finalized by the end of 2023.

It is expected that by the end of 2025, the 2 projects will be successfully finalized and the output indicators fully achieved.

Moreover, the medical infrastructures built, renovated or newly equipped through the financed projects, provide access to improved medical services to all the population from the eligible area.

The financial indicators (*Total value of certified expenditures*), were achieved in a proportion of over 95%, in the case of all priority axes 1-6.

[M\_SC1]In this section we had to explain the deviations in terms of achieving the output indicators. The only output indicator that was not fully reached is 9/a. Through the finalized projects, the population of Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg was not covered as the 2 projects which address the population of this county are classified as non-functional, therefore the population of this county could not be accounted. The population of Satu Mare county, also addressed by the above mentioned 2 projects, was covered by project ROHU450, which was successfully finalized by the end of 2023.

[M\_SC2]Additional information has been added so that the deviation is better understood.

## ANNEX I. LIST OF ALL OPERATIONS PHASED FROM 2014-2020 INTO 2021-2027

Priorit y	Fund	Operatio n reference	Operatio n title	Date (and number) of tacit agreement/approval by commission (if major project)	Phased operation under article 118	Phased operation under article 118a	Total cost of operation (in EUR) - Total (for both phases, final or estimated)	Total cost of operation (in EUR) - For the second phase (final or estimated))	Total certified expenditure for the first phase (in EUR)	Public contribution for the first phase (in EUR)	Planned/final completion date of the second phase (year, quarter)	2021-2027 Programme under which the operation will be/was completed
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## ANNEX II. LIST OF NON-FUNCTIONING OPERATIONS

Priorit y	Fund	Operatio n reference	Operation title	Name of the beneficiary / recipient	Total cost of the operation (in EUR)	Total Certified Expenditure (in EUR)	Public contribution (in EUR)
PA3	ERD F	ROHU359	Promoting An Integrated Approach Regarding The Improving Of The Employment Rate And Business Environment At The Level Of Marghita And Beretyoujfal Microregions	Marghita Municipality	2,615,165.66	1,385,802.22	1,331,668.30
PA3	ERD F	ROHU421	Improve employment in Bihor County, Oradea and Hajduboszormeny through the development of the local potential infrastructures	Municipality of Oradea	5,357,143.66	5,342,076.39	2,436,882.30
PA4	ERD F	ROHU387	Added Value in Cooperation for stroke situations	Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg County Hospitals and University Hospital	2,707,819.29	2,511,776.48	2,497,971.43
PA4	ERD F	ROHU449	Integrated project for sustainable development in the mountain area of Bihor County, improvement of access and development in health care services in case of medical interventions for emergency situations	Bihor County Council	13,049,572.49	11,383,738.58	10,737,021.53
PA4	ERD F	ROHU457	ROcHUs - Care for health in Satu Mare and Szabolcs-Szatmár-Bereg counties	Satu Mare County Emergency Hospital	6,205,884.28	4,631,689.07	4,535,697.22
PA5	ERD F	ROHU102	Mitigating the negative effects of hail in Satu Mare county	Territorial Administrative Unit of Satu Mare County	1,377,415.02	1,373,611.05	1,359,680.16

## ANNEX III. LIST OF OPERATIONS AFFECTED BY ONGOING NATIONAL INVESTIGATIONS / SUSPENDED BY A LEGAL PROCEEDING OR BY AN ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL HAVING SUSPENSORY EFFECT

Priorit y	Fund	Operatio n reference	Operatio n title	Name of the beneficiary / recipient	Total Certified Expenditure affected (in EUR)	Public contribution affected (in EUR)	Operation affected by ongoing national investigations	Operation suspended by a legal proceeding or by an administrative appeal having suspensory effect
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