

Kosovo

The WBIF in Kosovo*



Estimated Project Value: €1.3 billion

WBIF Grants: €148.4 million, out of which €134.3 million from the EU and €14.5 million from other donors

Loans Signed: €255 million

The WBIF has supported twenty-seven projects with an overall estimated value of €1.3 billion across all eligible sectors. The WBIF has provided €148.4 million in grants, whereas the loans signed on WBIF projects have reached €255 million. The EU support channelled through the WBIF accounts for €134.3 million and covers both technical assistance and investment works.

The WBIF has helped prepare and implement essential infrastructure developments. It has planned and build water and wastewater systems throughout the country, ensuring continuous access to basic municipal services to its citizens. It has assisted the rehabilitation of the district heating system in Pristina and the implementation of energy efficiency measures in public buildings throughout the country. Better education and healthcare facilities have been planned for and are currently being implemented. Moreover, the WBIF has contributed to the development of essential road and rail transport routes, which will ensure the country's connections within the region and with the EU, and to the preparation of broadband investments for schools.

Achieved results 2009 - 2019 (selection):

- 32 public buildings renovated and more than 400 MWh in energy savings;
- District heating system rehabilitated in Pristina for 13,500 customers;
- Improved water supply systems for 500,000 people.

Expected results (selection):

- 53 km of new highways and 213 km of railway lines rehabilitated;
- 55 buildings renovated and 900 MWh in energy savings;
- District heating systems for 1.2 million people;
- Improved water/wastewater systems for 700,000 people;
- More than 120,000 people protected from floods;

- Healthcare treatment and research facilities for 1.3 million people and new hospice centre;
- More than 136,500 students and teachers in 500 schools connected to high-speed broadband.

Out of twenty-seven projects supported, five have been completed, three are being implemented, two are tendering for works to start construction, and seventeen are at various stages of preparation. In addition, Kosovo has benefited from regional projects and initiatives funded by the WBIF, such as the [Regional Energy Efficiency Programme for the Western Balkans](#) (REEP and REEP Plus) and the [Western Balkan Enterprise Development and Innovation Facility](#) (EDIF).

For more details on the current status of the WBIF operations in Kosovo, please visit our [Projects](#) page.

2016 Connectivity Project

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Orient/East-Med Corridor: Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje – Mitrovicë/Mitrovica Section, (c) Infrakos. 35 km of railway track and 5 railway stations upgraded to modern, TEN-T standards.

€47.7 million investment value

€17.6 million EU investment grant

€8.6 million EBRD loan

€20.7 million EIB loan

For more details, please see the [Project Summary](#) (last updated November 2018).

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

The Country at a Glance

Population: 1.8 million

GDP: €6.3 billion

GDP per capita Index: 28

Public Debt: 21% GDP

Potential EU Candidate. The Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the EU and Kosovo entered into force in April 2016.

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