



# SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT



*Fast and efficient transport links with the EU*



Western Balkans Investment Framework **WBIF** | **BLENDING PUBLIC PRIVATE GUARANTEES**  
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Transport is the most active sector of WBIF, comprising nearly 50% of the WBIF portfolio, with railways and roads being the largest sub-sectors. To overcome the legacy of fragmented networks, a considerable part of the region's transport network still requires rehabilitation and upgrading. To facilitate regional trade and deliver sustainable economic growth, the implementation of EU technical standards and connectivity reform measures has become a priority for the region, together with the promotion of low pollution multimodal transport solutions. The benefits of signing the Transport Community Treaty in 2017, and the establishment of its Secretariat in Belgrade, are reflected in better planning of transport investments on the indicative extension of TEN-T.

The WBIF transport projects are financed under the **Economic and Investment Plan for the Western Balkans:**  
**FLAGSHIP 1** - Connecting East to West  
**FLAGSHIP 2** - Connecting North to South  
**FLAGSHIP 3** - Connecting the coastal regions

## 2009-2021

Projects

**57**

Estimated project value

**€10.6bn**

Projects with loans signed

**24 / €3.4bn signed loans**

WBIF grants

**€965.5m**

## ACHIEVED RESULTS (2009 - 2021)



800 km of local and regional roads

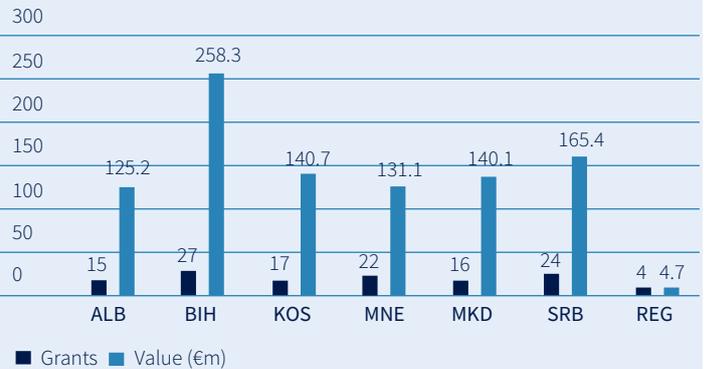


137 km of motorways, 1 cross-border bridge and border crossing facility



Enhanced urban mobility for over 1.3 million people in Belgrade

## DISTRIBUTION BY BENEFICIARY



## EXPECTED RESULTS (2022 - 2030)



625 km of motorways, 1 cross-border bridge and border crossing facility



1,383 km of railway lines rehabilitated, 1 joint border station

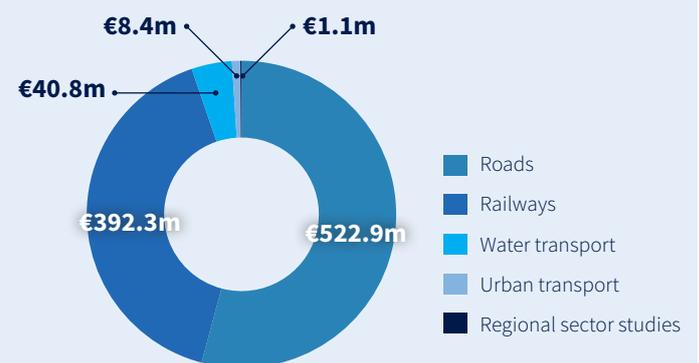


1 maritime and 2 inland ports renovated



Improved navigability on 40 km of waterway

## WBIF GRANTS BY SUBSECTOR



# FLAGSHIP PROJECT EXAMPLES

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## FLAGSHIP 2 - Connecting North to South

### Orient/East-Med Corridor: Montenegro – Serbia R4 Rail Interconnection, Bar – Vrbnica Section

The Bar – Vrbnica railway line is part of the interconnection between the port of Bar, Podgorica, Belgrade and Vršac (Serbia – Romania border). This EU co-financed investment project installed new signalling and interlocking systems at Podgorica station and rehabilitates 6 slopes, 24 concrete bridges and 8 tunnels along the line. The investments are part of the indicative extension of the TEN-T Core Network to the Western Balkans.



<b>Estimated total project cost</b>	<b>€43.6m</b>
WBIF grants	€20.4m
EIB loan	€20m
Expected completion	2022

### Mediterranean Corridor: Bosnia and Herzegovina – Croatia Vc Road Interconnection, Svilaj – Odžak Section and Svilaj Bridge

Road Corridor Vc is part of the indicative extension of the TEN-T Core Network to the Western Balkans and the most ambitious investment programme in Bosnia and Herzegovina. This EU cofinanced investment project built a new cross-border bridge over the Sava into Croatia and state-of-the-art border crossing facilities at Svilaj, as well as 10.7 km of motorway from Svilaj to Odžak in the north of the country.



<b>Estimated total project cost</b>	<b>€109.9m</b>
WBIF grants	€24.5m
EIB and EBRD loans	€67m
Completion	2021