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Human capital



Investments in human capital are essential for long-term growth and social cohesion. They strengthen education, health, and skills, enabling people to reach their full potential. Robust social policies reduce inequalities and foster inclusion across communities. The WBIF supports these objectives by financing education, health, and research and innovation facilities. Ultimately, investing in people through the WBIF drives sustainable and inclusive development.

€3.4 bn

Total investment (est.)

€127.3 m

WBIF contributions

Expected results



Better schools for 62,300 students/year



Higher education and research facilities for 15,000 students/year

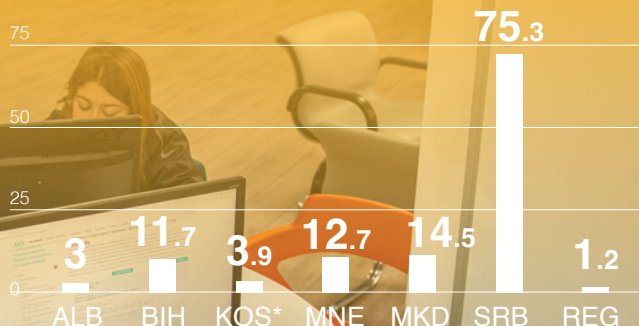


Healthcare and treatment facilities for 18,590 patients/year

WBIF contribution

per beneficiary

■ value (€m)



* 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.



Project Selection 2009-2025



October 2025



Total investment (est.)	€50.1 m
WBIF contribution	€5.1 m
Approval year ¹	2011
Expected completion	2027

This project upgrades physical education facilities in 30 schools and provides new equipment to 50 additional schools nationwide, benefiting 52,800 students. These investments will enhance learning environments, support better student health and performance, increase school enrolment, and promote inclusive socio-economic development across communities.



Total investment (est.)	€64.3 m
WBIF contribution	€11.4 m
Approval year	2023
Expected completion	2028

This project supports the enhancement of Montenegro's pre-university education system through the construction, renovation, and equipping of schools and kindergartens across the country. It will add 2,100 new places and create approximately 530 full-time jobs, primarily for teachers. Around 9,500 students will benefit from modern learning environments, helping to improve educational outcomes and strengthen youth employability.



Total investment (est.)	€169.6 m
WBIF contribution	€22.1 m
Approval year ¹	2020
Expected completion	2029

The University of Belgrade is developing an energy-efficient campus for its electrical engineering and technical faculties to address constraints in space, safety concerns, and outdated infrastructure. The project entails constructing a new university centre and renovating existing facilities, creating a modern, safe, and sustainable learning environment for students and staff.

¹ It is the year the first WBIF contribution to the project was approved; further funding was provided subsequently.



Total investment (est.)	€190.7 m
WBIF contribution	€36.2 m
Approval year	2022
Expected completion	2027

For over 85 years, the University Children's Hospital has delivered high-quality care to more than 14,500 children annually. This project constructs a new building to expand capacity and introduce advanced diagnostic and treatment technologies, ensuring healthcare services meet European standards.