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Sustainable transport



The Western Balkans economies have prioritised connectivity with the Trans-European Transport Network, alignment with EU reforms and technical standards, and the promotion of multimodal transport solutions in their transport sector development. Investments in sustainable transport modes drive national and regional economic growth, strengthen competitiveness, improve mobility, and deliver greater user benefits while fostering regional cooperation and integration with the EU.

€19.4 bn

Total investment (est.)

€2.9 bn

WBIF contribution

Expected results



215 km of motorways built



896 km of railway lines rehabilitated

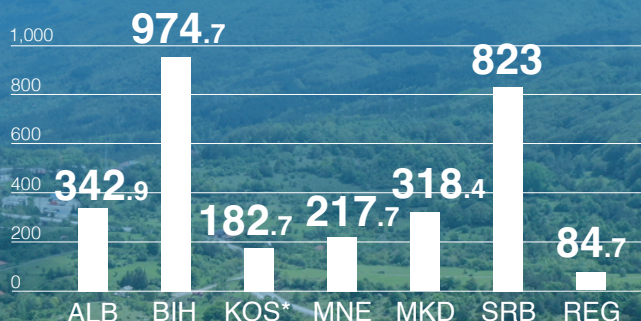


45 km of waterways upgraded

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



Bosnia and Herzegovina
**Rhine/Danube Corridor:
Brčko Port**

Total investment (est.)	€11.1 m
WBIF contribution	€3.1 m
Approval year	2019
Expected completion	2025

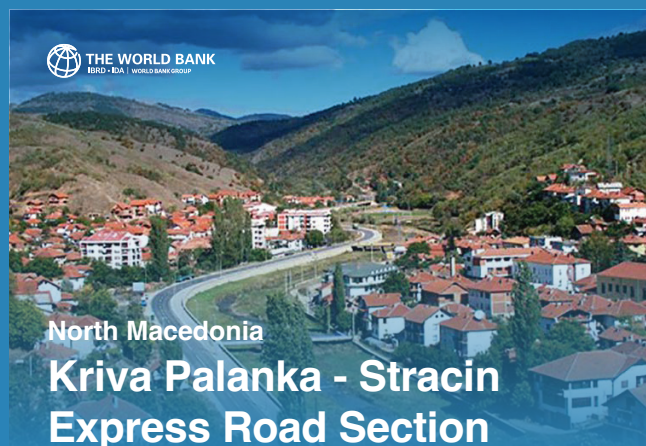
This project is the first phase of a comprehensive rehabilitation programme for Brčko Port on the Sava River. It includes the construction of 2.5 km of new harbour track, the refurbishment of 4.5 km of industrial railway track connecting to the Brčko Novo station, renovation of the port plateau, rehabilitation of the access road, and installation of a new 16-ton capacity port crane.



Kosovo
**Route 10: Fushë Kosovë/
Kosovo Polje – Border with
North Macedonia Railway
Section (Phase 1)**

Total investment (est.)	€105.4 m
WBIF contribution	€43.1 m
Approval year ¹	2008
Expected completion	2025

Rail Route 10 is Kosovo's primary rail connection to Serbia and North Macedonia. This project upgrades the section between Fushë Kosovë/Kosovo Polje and the North Macedonian border, enhancing safety along the route, supporting economic growth, facilitating cross-border trade, promoting regional integration, and encouraging the shift from road to rail transport.



North Macedonia
**Kriva Palanka - Stracin
Express Road Section**

Total investment (est.)	€36.7 m
WBIF contribution	€14 m
Approval year	2023
Completed	2025

A key route for North Macedonia's connectivity with the region and the EU, the 23 km express road from Kriva Palanka to Stracin is the final link to the Bulgarian border. The road cuts travel time between Skopje and Sofia, improves safety, and supports regional trade and development.



Albania
**Durrës - Rrogozhinë
Railway Section**

Total investment (est.)	€125.1 m
WBIF contribution	€65.0 m
Approval year ¹	2015
Expected completion	2029

The Durrës - Rrogozhinë railway project rehabilitates, modernises, and electrifies a 33.5 km section in Albania, linking the port of Durrës with Rrogozhinë. It is part of the Western Balkans - East Mediterranean Corridor, connecting the country to Bulgaria's Black Sea ports.

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



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Progress of Investment Projects on Rail and Waterway

2015-2025



Albania

- 1 Durrës – Tirana Railway Line and New Railway Link to Tirana Airport (41.9 km)
- 2 Albania – Montenegro Rail Interconnection: Vorë – Hani i Hotit Line (120.2 km)
- 3 Corridor VIII: Durrës – Rrogozhinë Railway Section (33.5 km)

Bosnia and Herzegovina

- 4 Rhine-Danube Corridor: Brčko River Port Phase 1
- 5 Rhine-Danube Corridor: Demining the Right Bank of the Sava River (40 km)
- 6 Corridor Vc: Šamac – Doboj – Rječica Railway Section (98 km)²

Kosovo

- 7 Route 10: Fushë Kosova/ Kosovo Polje – Mitrovicë/ Mitrovica Railway Section (34 km)
- 8 Route 10: Fushë Kosova/ Kosovo Polje – Border with North Macedonia Railway Section (67 km)
- 9 Route 10: Mitrovicë/Mitrovica – Border with North Macedonia Railway Sections Signalling & Telecoms (101 km)

Montenegro

- 10 Bar – Vrbnica Railway Line: Rehabilitation of 10 Steel Bridges and 8 Tunnels (5.1 km)
- 11 Bar – Vrbnica Railway Line: Rehabilitation of 8 Tunnels (2.8 km)
- 12 Bar – Vrbnica Railway Line: Rehabilitation of 24 Concrete Bridges (2.9 km), 6 Slopes Impacted by Landslides (3 km), New Signalling Systems at Podgorica Railway Junction
- 13 Bar – Vrbnica Railway Line: Rehabilitation of Lutovo – Biočë Section and 3 Steel Bridges (20.2 km)
- 14 Bar – Vrbnica Railway Line: Bar – Golubovci Section (39.6 km)

North Macedonia

- 15 Corridor VIII: Beljakovce – Kriva Palanka Railway Section (34 km)
- 16 Corridor VIII: Kriva Palanka – Border with Bulgaria Railway Section (23.4 km)
- 17 Corridor X: Tabanovce Joint Border Railway Station

Serbia

- 18 Corridor X: Belgrade Centre – Velika Plana Railway Section (86 km)
- 19 Corridor X: Velika Plana – Paraćin Railway Section (63 km)
- 20 Corridor X: Paraćin – Međurovo Railway Section (66 km)
- 21 Corridor X: Stalać – Đunis Railway Section (17.7 km)
- 22 Corridor Xc: Niš Rail Bypass (22.4 km)
- 23 Corridor Xc: Sićevo - Dimitrovgrad Railway Section (80 km)
- 24 Corridor Xc: Niš – Dimitrovgrad – Border with Bulgaria Railway Section, Electrification and Signalling (86 km)
- 25 Rhine-Danube Corridor: Removal of Sunken WWII German Vessels from the Danube, Prahovo Sector (5 km)

Regional Programme

- 26 Safe and Sustainable Transport Programme (SSTP)

2 EU funding suspended. The European Commission will sign the contribution agreement for this investment located in the entity of Republika Srpska after the political crisis in Bosnia and Herzegovina is solved.

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Progress of Investment Projects on Road and Urban Transport

2015-2025



Kosovo

- 19 Pristina – Merdare Highway Section (27 km)

North Macedonia

- 20 Blace – Skopje (Stenkovec Interchange) Motorway (12.5 km)
- 21 Corridor VIII: Kriva Palanka – Stracin Express Road (23 km)
- 22 Corridor VIII: Kriva Palanka – Deve Bair Road Section (13.2 km)
- 23 Corridor VIII: Bukojčani – Kičevo Motorway Section (10.2 km)

Serbia

- 24 Niš – Merdare Highway: Merošina – Merošina 1 Subsection (5.2 km)
- 25 Niš – Merdare Highway: Merošina – Pločnik Subsections (27 km)

Regional Programme

- 26 Safe and Sustainable Transport Programme (SSTP)

Albania

- 1 Tirana Bypass (21.5 km)
- 2 Green Transport Tirana

Bosnia and Herzegovina

- 3 Gradiška Cross-Border Bridge and Border Crossing Facilities
- 4 Corridor Vc: Svilaj - Odžak Motorway Section, Svilaj Cross-Border Bridge (11.4 km)
- 5 Corridor Vc: Johovac - Vukosavlje Motorway Section (36 km)²⁾
- 6 Corridor Vc: Johovac - Rudanka Motorway Section (6 km)
- 7 Corridor Vc: Rudanka - Putnikovo Brdo Motorway Subsection (5.2 km)
- 8 Corridor Vc: Putnikovo Brdo - Medakovo Motorway Subsection (8.5 km)
- 9 Corridor Vc: Medakovo - Ozimice Motorway Subsection (21.7 km)
- 10 Corridor Vc: Ozimice - Poprikuše Motorway Subsection (12.8 km)
- 11 Corridor Vc: Poprikuše - Nemila Motorway Subsection (5.5 km)
- 12 Corridor Vc: Ponirak - Vraca Motorway Subsection (3.9 km)
- 13 Corridor Vc: Tunnel Zenica - Donja Gračanica Motorway Subsection (2.7 km)
- 14 Corridor Vc: Tarčin - Ivan Motorway Subsections I & II (7.1 km)
- 15 Corridor Vc: Mostar North – Mostar South Motorway Section (14.2 km)
- 16 Corridor Vc: Mostar South – Kvanj Tunnel Motorway Subsection (8.6 km)
- 17 Corridor Vc: Kvanj Tunnel – Buna Motorway Subsection (5.1 km)
- 18 Corridor Vc: Buna – Pocičelj Motorway Subsection (7.2 km)