

IPA Annual Programme 2009 for Kosovo¹

Summary of Projects grouped per priority axis:

Priority axis	IPA support (EUR million)	Description of expected project results and indicative implementation schedule
Priority axis 1 <i>Political criteria</i>	42.675	
01-2009/1: <i>Strengthening the rule of law</i>	12.05	<p>Results: Secure and functional Civil Registration Agency and an address system; Greater legal security by developing curricula and standards for legal translators/interpreters and lawyer-linguists; Adequate facilities for the Public Prosecution in Peja, Ferizaj and Gjilan; Improved education on public safety and security; Greater forensic capacity by introducing an Integrated Ballistics Identification System; Ministry of Internal Affairs equipped; Further support for the Juvenile Justice System.</p> <p>Implementation: 1 twinning contract, 3 service contracts, 4 supply contracts, 2 works contracts, and 1 direct grant contract with UNICEF to be launched in Q2 2009 – Q1 2010.</p>
02-2009/1: <i>Strengthening the human resources and the institutional capacity of the Kosovo local public administration</i>	6.50	<p>Results: Civil servants and/or other graduates complete post-graduate degrees in EU universities and are employed by the government; Institutional capacity of municipalities strengthened in preparation for municipal development plans, urban plans and environmental regulations, in particular on water and waste management.</p> <p>Implementation: 1 twinning and 1 service contract to be launched in Q4 2009.</p>
03-2009/1: <i>Support to communities</i>	3.125	<p>Results: Community stabilisation by supporting small enterprises with essential resources; Greater confidence among different communities; Improved access for Roma, Ashkali and Egyptian communities to education.</p> <p>Implementation: 1 grant contract with a single implementing organisation after an open call for proposals and 2 direct grant contracts with the Project on Ethnic Relations and the Kosovo Foundation Open Society to be launched in Q4 2009.</p>
04-2009/1: <i>Support to the cultural sector</i>	3.00	<p>Results: Enhanced cultural diversity and inter-cultural dialogue; Kosovo's international cultural profile raised; Stronger cultural sector with development of creativity and social innovation; Development of the cultural industry as an asset for Kosovo's economy and competitiveness; Prizren fortress restored and made accessible to all potential visitors and tourists, including the elderly and disabled; Development of cultural, educational and tourist activities in the fortress and its surroundings.</p> <p>Implementation: 2 service contracts and 1 works contract to be launched in Q2 2009 - Q4 2009.</p>
05-2009/1: <i>Support to the</i>	4.00	<p>Results: Establishment of a Broadcasting Monitoring System and of an EU Information Centre in Pristina to engage central government</p>

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<i>media sector</i>		and municipalities in the EU integration process. Implementation: 1 supply contract and 1 service contract to be launched in Q3 2009.
06-2009/1: Support to culture, youth and sport	14.00	Results: Sports and cultural activities developed in service of reconciliation; Better access to leisure activities for youth in Pristina; Higher quality of health by creating a better environment; International sports and cultural cooperation facilitated; Environmental improvements as a result of sports facilities; Kosovo's international profile on the sports scene raised. Implementation: 3 service contracts and 2 works contracts and 2 supply contracts to be launched in Q2 2009 – Q2 2010.
Priority axis 2 Economic criteria	30.8	
07-2009/2: Trade and regional development	7.80	Results: Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) aware of areas critical for Kosovo in the trade negotiations and of areas with more room for flexibility; MTI prepared to discharge its responsibilities for trade policy development, trade regulation and negotiation; Wider circle of economic operators informed about the benefits and consequences of trade liberalisation; Regional Development Agencies operational; Regional strategies elaborated and relevant projects identified; Small-scale project funds (EU-financed) mobilised, targeting priority sectors in line with regional development plans. Implementation: 1 service contract, 5 direct operating grants to the 5 regional development agencies (RDAs) in Kosovo and 1 grant scheme to be launched in Q1 2010 – Q2 2010.
08-2009/2: Support to employment and education	10.30	Results: Increased capacity of teachers and school directors and modernisation of school curriculum; Improved capacity of the Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare and more efficient delivery of social and employment assistance schemes. Implementation: 2 service contracts and 1 grant contract to be launched in Q4 2009.
09-2009/2: Improvement of IT system in the taxation administration	5.00	Results: New IT system installed in the Tax Administration of Kosovo (TAK); Greater transparency in tax administration; TAK staff trained to use new system; TAK IT Department trained on maintenance of new system. Implementation: 1 supply contract to be launched in Q1 2010.
10-2009/2: Further support to the agriculture sector	7.70	Results: Farms more competitive on domestic market after successful implementation of priority measures identified in the Agricultural and Rural Development Plan (ARDP), Grants disbursed for priority measures; Capacity of State forestry and game management institutions enhanced; Investment plans and national wood/biomass energy policy developed. Implementation: 2 grants scheme and 1 twinning contract and 2 service contracts to be launched in Q1 2010 – Q2 2010.
Priority axis 3 European standards	19.8	
11-2009/3: Support to the	4.80	Results: Kosovo Environment Protection Agency (KEPA) has capacity to manage all environmental issues, including water, air

environment sector		quality, climate change impact assessment, mitigation and adaptation strategies, and nature protection; Air monitoring equipment installed; Support for Water and Waste Regulatory Office. Implementation: 1 twinning, 1 service contract, 1 supply contract and 1 works contract to be launched in Q3 2009– Q2 2010.
12-2009/3: Support to transport and energy	15.00	Results: Better quality of supply (voltage profile) in 110kV network; Safety improvements at Prizren 2 substation and improved power supply; Increased transparency of energy data for all market players; Legal and regulatory framework improved and compliant with the Energy Community Treaty commitments and the <i>acquis</i> ; Policies to implement a multi-modal transport strategy developed and thus in compliance with the ongoing Transport Community Treaty; Infrastructure manager and train operator operational. Implementation: 2 service contracts and 3 supply contracts to be launched in Q4 2009.
Priority axis 4 Support activities	10.325	
13-2009/4: Support measures and technical assistance facility	10.325	Results: Agency for Coordination of Development and European Integration (ACDEI) under the Prime Minister's Office able to initiate and prepare timely capacity building initiatives; Senior Programming Officers (SPO) in each line ministry actively involved with ACDEI in improving programming, implementation and monitoring of projects financed under the IPA programme. Implementation: in total 10-15 contracts (services, works and supplies) to be launched in Q1 2010 – Q2 2012.
TOTAL	103.6	

Projects under the 2009 IPA Multi-Beneficiary Programme complementing this programme

Close coordination and complementarity will be sought with other EU instruments outside this annual programme.

Two multi-beneficiary projects, supporting the entire Western Balkans' region including Kosovo, are financed from the IPA geographical envelopes:

- TEMPUS – **EUR 2.2 million** to ensure that Mitrovica and Pristina universities fully included in partnerships and studies with and/or in European universities.
- Nuclear safety – **EUR 0.3 million** for Kosovo to participate in regional activities relating to nuclear safety and radiation protection.

Other projects under the IPA Multi-Beneficiary Programme for the entire Western Balkan region should also cover Kosovo. They should complement the Kosovo programme, where relevant, with regional cooperation and coordination dimensions.

In addition to IPA, the 2007-2010 European Instrument for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR) programme managed by DG AIDCO includes an annual allocation of EUR 0.9 million for Kosovo in 2007, 2008 and 2009. This programme should address the human rights challenges identified in the 'Political Criteria' section of the MIPD by means of grants to civil society organisations.