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Newsletter

Status of Interreg V-A România -Bulgaria Programme

- ⇒ the Programme's absorption rate has increased up to 69.93%, representing approximately 150 million euro ERDF (requested to European Commission)
- ⇒ the value of the payments made to beneficiaries has increased to 178.47 million euro (out of which 162.81 million euro ERDF)
- \Rightarrow 139 projects, representing approximatively 81% of the total contracted projects, are already finalized and producing results that contribute to the development of the cross-border area
- $\Rightarrow~30~projects,~valuing~approximatively~116$ million euro, are still under implementation





- ⇒ The Interreg VI-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme was submitted to the European Commission for approval on the 1st of April 2022
- \Rightarrow Interservice consultation within the European Commission took place during April-November 2022
- $\Rightarrow~$ The programme was approved by the European Commission on the 30 th of November 2022

With a total budget of 207,45 million euros, out of which 163.49 million Euro are EU funds, Interreg VI-A Romania-Bulgaria Programme will finance projects in the field of mobility and connectivity, nature protection and biodiversity, risk prevention and climate change adaptation, education, tourism and culture.

Another important financing objective is developing of the Eurovelo Route 6, which will help to boost tourist and cultural activities, strengthening the local economy and providing a sustainable transport corridor between Danube settlements.



Europe Day was celebrated on the 10th of May by organizing an online event, focused on the young generation in the context of European Year of Youth.

59 participants took part to the event, many of them students from the University of Agricultural Science and Veterinary Medicine, University "Angel KANCHEV" and the University from Craiova.

The project partners of ROBG 156- Capability and ROBG 176- A chance for development shared with the participating students valuable and useful information about their projects results as well as about the impact upon the young people from the cross border area.





In September 2022 we celebrated the **European Cooperation Day** by organizing the event "Bike ride for cooperation".

Over than 250 participants, most of them young people, enjoyed the bike rides organized by our team on the promenade of Balcic.

A raffle was also organized at the end of every ride and the winners went home with promotional gifts.



Together with DG REGIO, Interact and the Lead beneficiary of *RO BG 156 "Capability" Project*-University of Agricultural Science and Veterinary Medicine Bucharest, the Programme joined the Interreg Annual Event 2022, organized by the European Commission on the 28th of October.

The project contributed to an increase of youth employment thorough 8 employment initiatives developed within the project, such as: "Capability access" mobile application, joint labour-market oriented educational scheme, employment and mobility guide "Cool to be mobile", joint internet-based tools and job fairs on employment.





On the 7th of December we organized a visit to the Natural Science Museum Complex Constanta, where we discovered small parts of our Universe.

Thanks to the 4K Hybrid Planetarium, purchased within the project ROBG-528 ,,A common opened window to the Universe mysteries", we now have access to the fascinating world of astronomy! This Planetarium, unique in south-eastern Europe, has become a valuable, education and cultural tool offered to the public.



Interreg V-A ROBG Annual Conference took place on the 14th of December 2022 in Craiova, at Cultural Center "Constantin Brancusi.

The main goal of the conference was to present our achievements during this year of Interreg V-A RO BG Programme and also to share to the public our work and future plans.

The conference was organized in an interactive format and our beneficiaries were invited to share 5 successful project stories, focusing on results and on how their work improved the life of people from the cross-border area.



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