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# Abbreviations

<b>DDGG</b>	Department of Development and Good Governance
<b>EC</b>	European Commission
<b>ERP</b>	Economic Reform Programme
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>FDI</b>	Foreign Direct Investment
<b>GoA</b>	Government of Albania
<b>Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina
<b>IPA</b>	Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance
<b>MDG</b>	Millennium Development Goal
<b>MTBP</b>	Medium-Term Budget Programme
<b>NPEI</b>	National Plan for European Integration
<b>NSDI</b>	National Strategy for Development and Integration
<b>REA</b>	Regional Economic Area
<b>RES</b>	Renewable Energy Supply
<b>SDG</b>	Sustainable Development Goal
<b>SEE</b>	South East Europe
<b>UN</b>	United Nations
<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Programme
<b>VNR</b>	Voluntary National Review
<b>WB</b>	Western Balkans

# Executive summary

The report aims to present an analysis of relevant post-2020 strategies in Albania and a detailed analysis of strategic national priorities with respect to the European Commission priorities and United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

This report is inspired by SEE2020 Strategy, European Union's (EU) 2020 Strategy and National Strategy for Development and Integration 2015-2020 (NSDI).

The NSDI provides the framework for national strategic priorities and targets under 27 sector and cross-sector strategies. The NSDI relies on six pillars: good governance, democracy and rule of law; growth through fiscal stability and increasing competitiveness; sustainable growth through efficient use of resources; development and social cohesion through investment in individuals; EU accession; and involvement of the civil society.

The new Albania sectoral and crosscutting strategies post-2020 seek to boost prosperity, job creation, enhance competitiveness and promote investment, and to underscore the importance of the EU perspective for the Albania future, through coordinated cooperation across a number of important policy dimensions.

This report is divided into three main parts: Part I provides a summary overview of the main findings; Part II contains a detailed review including: (i) mid and long-term national strategies and priorities post-2020; (ii) review of post-2020 initiatives and projects beyond government sphere; (iii) linkages of mapped strategies and priorities with European Commission priorities (iv) mapped existing and potential national strategies and priorities with United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and (v) mapping of all donor strategic documents and visions, national coordination mechanisms for the development of strategies and the mechanisms on strategic planning.

Finally, the report includes brief information on the coordination mechanisms for developing the economy's priorities, followed by an analytical report including a list of indicators to measure the implementation of priorities and a list of the ongoing and planned projects supporting the preparation of Albania's long-term priorities.

# 1. Introduction

Albania has established a comprehensive system for policy-making and coordination. The Integrated Planning System (IPS) provides the overall architecture to ensure that government policy planning, budgeting and monitoring are linked and operate efficiently. The three cornerstones of IPS are: the national and sector strategies providing guidance to high-level policy making; the European integration process describing the planning and resource requirements to achieve the objectives under the EU integration agenda; and the medium-term budget process detailing the short and medium-term planning and financial arrangements for the delivery of policies by each ministry and government agency.<sup>1</sup>

In May 2016, the Albanian Government adopted the National Strategy for Development and Integration 2015-2020 (NSDI II). The NSDI II is the main policy document that outlines the development vision and strategic priorities for Albania as a middle-income economy aiming to advance upper middle-income level by achieving the national value proposition of “a strengthening democracy, on the path towards its integration with the European Union (EU), with a competitive, stable and sustainable economy, and with guarantees of fundamental human rights and liberties”.

Actually, the Government of Albania is at the preparation phase for the new strategic framework planning cycle post-2020. The actual 2015-2020 NSDI II, as well as a number of sector and cross-cutting strategies are at their final stage. Most of them will be finalised by 2020. This planning cycle coincides with the new EU IPA programming and the new historical phase for Albania – the opening of the negotiations with the European Union.

Following the European Union Delegation’s request for extension of the “Country’s Strategic Framework” in several areas of Good Governance Sector (including Public Finance Management, Public Administration Reform, Anti-Corruption, Decentralisation, Digitalisation in order to provide budget support from IPA 2019-2020), the institutions responsible for adopting and implementing the relevant strategies have planned to undertake several actions to revise their strategic documents by 2019-2020.

Albania is fully committed to implementing the Agenda 2030 in the context of the NSDI II and the European integration process. Significant progress has been made to align the NSDI II and all related sector strategies with the Sustainable Development Goals, supporting the economy to build its vision 2030.

<sup>1</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20180817-revised-indicative-strategy-paper-2014-2020-for-albania.pdf>

# 2. Current state of play

## 2.1 MID AND LONG-TERM NATIONAL STRATEGIES AND PRIORITIES

NSDI serves as an important reference document for Albania’s development partners. In addition to the NSDI, there are other sector and cross-sector strategies that contribute to the strategic goals of the Albanian Government. The main strategic documents that serve as a reference are: Economic Reform Programme (ERP), Public Administration Reform (PAR) strategy, Strategy for Public Finance Management (PFM), Digital Albania Strategy, Strategy for Decentralisation and Local Governance, National Employment and Skills Strategy (NESS), Transport Strategy, inter-sectoral Strategy against Corruption, Justice Sector Reform Strategy (JSRS), and Road Map for Drafting Policy and Measures for Enabling Environment to Civil Society.

Based on MTBP 2020-2022: To enable economic development and improve the socio-economic conditions of the population over the medium-term cycle 2020-2022, the government will continue funding the priorities set out in 2017-2021 governance programme as follows:

### Recovery and financial consolidation of the power sector

Albania’s Energy Strategy 2018–2030 is the core strategic document for the energy sector, prepared and adopted by the Albanian Government. The strategy is consistent with the national efforts to sustain economic development and meet commitments of the energy community, as well as for EU integration and other international agreements while increasing the security of the energy supply and minimising environmental impacts with affordable costs for Albanian citizens and the economy.

In December 2017, the government adopted National Energy Efficiency Action Plan 2017–2020 while the National Renewable Energy Action Plan 2018–2020 is currently being revised.

The National Energy Strategy is designed to meet the development needs of the economy and provide its citizens and consumers with a stable, reliable and affordable supply based on regional integration and diversification of the sector. Implementing this Strategy will increase the security of the energy supply and begin to integrate Albanian energy market into regional and European markets, and the South East Europe Energy Community.

The challenges facing Albania’s energy sector include the following:

- Achieving economic development in different sectors and the growing level of energy consumption per capita;
- Improving the trend of reduction in energy intensity;
- Strengthening institutions at national and municipal levels and improving their performance through adequate management systems in place, increased capacity and provision of financial resources to implement measures in the area of energy efficiency and renewable sources;

- Implementing strategies, policies and the legal regulatory framework, aligned with EU directives and its Third Energy Package, as achieving the targeted objectives will lead to improvements in energy services for all citizens;
- Enhancing security of the energy supply by improving energy efficiency, increasing the share of renewable and other indigenous energy sources, and increasing welfare through regional cooperation and integration.

In February 2018, the Albanian government adopted the Gas Master Plan, which assesses investment needs until 2040. The Gas Master Plan was adopted by the government in February 2018.

Albania has changed from being an energy exporter to becoming an importer. For this reason, the extension of generating capacity is one of the main priorities of the sector policies. The future development of energy capacity has been planned, mainly along the rivers Mat, Vjosa, Devoll and Bistrica.

Strategically, Albania addresses the new RES law, regulations and institutional reforms, currently including incentives for a share of RES in the electricity tariff reform, market development and integration with EU and regional markets. The 2030 RES Development Strategy aims to: (i) reduce energy imports and increase domestic RES electricity generation to meet 2030 demand by diversifying the RES sources, not only with hydro, but also with solar photovoltaic and wind power generation, and (ii) increase the use of RES technologies, based on least-cost planning and environmental protection principles through development of mechanisms to encourage FDI in Albania's energy sector.

However, Albania has delayed electricity market reforms and should accelerate the implementation of the connectivity reform measures, especially by removing legal and contractual obstacles to the integration of energy markets. In the coming year, Albania should in particular:

- diversify electricity production away from hydropower and promote alternative and renewable energy sources while complying with environmental standards, and establish an organised day-ahead electricity market;
- finalise the unbundling of energy companies and abolish legal obstacles to the right of customers to change their electricity supplier;
- fully align its Energy Efficiency Law with the acquis, set up an energy efficiency fund and draft and adopt secondary legislation implementing the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive.

## Integrated Water Management

The Albania Government has committed to a new approach to water management. The aim is to improve the overall performance of water sector, considering water as one of the key priorities, through implementing a new and integrated approach for the sector. The new approach is firmly based on EU financial mechanisms, the political programme and the process of definition and assessment of strategic priorities.

The vision of water sector sees Albania, by 2027, as an economy with efficient use of water and integrated and operational water resources management, which includes a complete monitoring system, and management of flood risk and water scarcity. Management of water resources is based on the principles of equity and sustainability for equal benefits, social, economic and gender-based, and environmental justice for current and future generations.

Based on the institutional framework for the integrated management of water resources, the **National Strategy on Integrated Water Resource Management 2018-2027** and its short-term Action Plan, aim by the year 2027 to integrate all water-related issues within a single political and strategic document with relevant targets to be met.

**National Water Supply and Sewerage Sector Strategy 2019-2030** sees water as the main priority.

**The National Sector Programme 2018 - 2030 (NSP)** for integrated water management has also been developed. This 12-year programme for water sector was prepared through the contribution of four sub-thematic groups (defined by Decision No. 4, dated 2.12.2015 of the National Water Council "On the establishment, organisation and functioning of sub-thematic groups in area of integrated water management") and harmonised by the Technical Secretariat of the National Water Council. NSP 2018-2030 sets out key pillars for water sector in the future. The aim is to integrate all water-related issues into a single political and strategic document.

The National Strategy on Integrated Water Resources Management 2018–2027, as adopted by the government in February 2018, sets the main strategic objectives, with relevant targets to be met, by the year 2027, as follows:

- Ensure fair and sustainable use of water resources in order to meet all needs, by applying the respective legal framework prepared and adopted in compliance with the EU directives;
- Ensure a good quality status for all water resources, by applying the respective legal framework prepared and adopted in compliance with the EU directives;
- Address the risks generated by water scarcity (droughts) and floods through management and investments in order to meet all the needs, by applying the respective legal framework prepared and adopted in compliance with the EU directives;
- Ensure models and data on water and climate are widely accepted and reliable for all stakeholders, and offer advice on preparation of appropriate policy based on these models and data from the relevant institutions;
- All-inclusive sustainable water management in order to meet all needs, offering equal socio-economic benefits and including the next generation in the decision-making process, according to the principles of Integrated Water Resources Management and the EU directives.

The next steps in the implementation process include the following:

- Strengthening the legal framework in compliance with the EU legislation;
- Final adoption of the strategic and policy documents under preparation;
- Strengthening the sub-thematic groups and their role in implementation of national water sector programme;
- Strengthening the administration offices for river basins;
- Strengthening the monitoring system and full implementation of GIS water information system;
- Adoption of the prepared river basin management plans as a guideline for planning and management at the river basin level;
- Fully establish the Agency for Water Resources Management.

One key achievement in 2016 was the presentation of the Strategic Plan for Marine and Coastal Protected Areas, incorporated into the Strategic Document for Biodiversity Protection approved by government by a decision of Council of Ministers and presented at a meeting of parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity.

As part of the strategic planning for the region, the government has contributed to the preparation of the South East Europe 2020 Strategy, including the preparation and adoption of a National Action Plan. In particular, Pillar 3 (environment) focuses on the water–energy–food nexus, water infrastructure and integrated water resources management. The strategy sets the policy objectives and measures for improving the sector performance as follows:

- Expand and improve the quality of water supply and sewerage services;
- Focus water utilities towards the principles of cost control and full costs recovery;
- Improve governance and regulation of the sector;
- Invest to increase capacity of sector workforce;
- Progress towards convergence of Albanian law with EU water directives.

Legislative alignment with the *acquis* on waste management has advanced, except for the issues of ship recycling, mining and electronic waste. In September 2016, an amendment to the 2011 Law on Integrated Management of Waste was adopted, aimed at further alignment with the *acquis* as it allows for the import of waste, albeit only for recycling purposes.

The National Integrated Water Management Sector Programme 2018–2030 sets the key pillars for the sector. The aim is to integrate all water-related issues within a single political and strategic document.

Based on this, the vision for the future of water sector by 2030 is **“Governance of the water sector in line with EU best practices and standards”**. The vision of water sector is the following: *Albania shall have efficient use of water and integrated and operational water resources management, which includes a complete monitoring system, and management of flood risk and water scarcity. Management of water resources is based on the principles of equity and sustainability for equal benefits, social, economic and gender-based, and environmental justice for current and future generations.*

The National Sectoral Programme defines three main strategic goals:

- Encouraging sustainable use of water resources, equitable distribution of users while maximising economic benefits and respecting environmental conditions and principles of sustainable development;
- Protecting aquatic ecosystems, including surface and ground water, from misuse and overuse, with better coordination of all regulatory activities and also taking into account the principles of sustainable development;
- Protecting the population and property from harmful effects caused by water, including floods, rainstorms and erosion, in an affective and sustainable manner.

Many challenges exist, the key among which are:

- Improving the water supply and sanitation services;
- Constructing water and waste water infrastructure and wastewater treatment plants, and the sustainable maintenance and operation of existing ones;
- Strengthening the institutions, as well as management and operational capacities;
- Rehabilitation and modernisation of the existing infrastructure related to irrigation, drainage and flood protection;
- Identification, assessment and monitoring of disaster risks and enhancing early warning systems;
- Strengthening of disaster preparedness for effective response at all levels;
- Preparation and implementation of river basin management plans;
- Monitoring of water users, by river basin;
- Rehabilitation of damaged river beds;
- Improvement and expansion of coverage of water supply and sewerage services, including for the poorer peripheral urban areas and rural populations;
- Enhancing skills and competences of human resources for applying acquired knowledge and expertise in the water and sanitation sector, as well as in preventing and coping with natural catastrophes;
- Increase in financial resources to meet EU standards on water and environment;
- Implementation of strategies, policies and legal regulatory framework, aligned with EU *acquis*, for achieving targeted objectives, to lead to improvement of services for all citizens.

## Improving innovation and enhancing competitiveness

The Government of Albania aims to encourage private sector investment to help meet its development goals, in particular by accelerating private sector growth and creating new jobs. This vision is outlined in some national strategies, namely:

**National Strategy on Diaspora 2018–2024** emphasises the relevance of Diaspora’s investments in Albania, including specific measures to attract such investments and the role of non-monetary remittances, such as the transfer of know-how and technologies. This strategic goal is related to the economic and social development and the image of Albania. The Albanian Diaspora Development Fund (ADDF) aims to provide and distribute financial means for concrete prioritised projects having impact on improving the living conditions. Publishing Centre of Diaspora (PCD) is responsible for publishing and distributing the approved educational textbooks and relevant literature that will serve to teach and preserve the national identity in the Albanian Diaspora communities. The State Committee for Diaspora (SCD) is a consultative body of the Council of Ministers for the coordination of policies and state activities regarding Diaspora.

**In June 2019, Albania adopted the national strategy on migration governance and its action plan covering 2019-22**, providing a clear framework to better manage and coordinate migration flows.

Over recent years government efforts have been focused particularly on new employment generation activities. **The National Employment and Skills Strategy (NESS) 2014–2020** puts knowledge and skills at the heart of the economic model and is expected to trigger inclusive long-term growth. The goal of NESS is to promote jobs and skills opportunities for all Albanian women and men. This strategy represents one of the strongest commitments of the Albanian government to the welfare of its citizens. In

2015, the EU committed itself to NESS by selecting it to receive budget support through a Sector Reform Contract. A mid-term review of the National Employment and Skills Strategy (NESS) was completed. The revised action plan of the strategy will cover the period between 2019 and 2022 and is adopted during the first semester of 2019.

The newly approved legislative framework on Employment and Vocational Education and Training (VET) in Albania aims to increase opportunities for labour force and strengthen labour market functioning, by setting clear objectives of the public employment services, active and passive programmes, and VET, in a coordinated and demand-driven manner, responding to the national priorities set in the National Employment and Skills Strategy (NESS) 2019-2022.

The law foresees that the National Employment Service (NES) is transformed and reorganised into the National Agency for Employment and Skills (NAES), responsible for policy implementation in the areas of employment and skills development.

The Ministry of Finance and Economy (MFE) has finalised the relevant secondary legislation on establishing the NAES, defining its organisation and functioning, which was approved by the Council of Ministers Decision, no. 554, on 31st of July 2019. The proposed structure has been sent to the Department of Public Administration and is expected to be formalised during September 2019 through an order of the Prime Minister.

Relevant legislation	Function	Is this function addressed by the current NES structure?
Law on Employment Promotion nr.15/2019	Implementation of the Government's programme on jobs	x
	Administration of regional and local structures	x
	Quality assurance of services offered	x
	Administration and implementation of active labour market measures/ Proposal of active labour market measures, including self-employment  Proposal of labour market policies that aim at increasing employment and employability	x

The aim of **National strategy for scientific research, technology and innovation for 2017-2023**, currently under implementation is: (i) to increase investments for Scientific Research, Technology and Innovation up to 1% of GDP by 2022, (increase investment in research, in line with its own commitments and European Research Area priorities);(ii) adopt smart specialisation strategy;(iii) ensure higher participation in Horizon 2020.

**In January 2017, the government approved the 2017-2021 action plan to support the development of innovative policies**, based on Triple Helix approach, recommendation of Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) programme for South East Europe, **Council of Ministers** Decision No 580 dated 03.08.2016 on the establishment of Programmed for Economy Support and defining the beneficiaries and rules for its implementation (Official Journal 153, Viti 2016,p. 11818), and **Council of Ministers** Decision No 580 dated 03.08.2016 on the approval of the Investment Policy Guideline of Albania Government (Official Journal 153,Viti 2016,p.11816).

This action plan aims to promote better links between academia, industry and government, however no progress was made on its implementation in 2018. A new draft of the law on scientific research in the Republic of Albania has been finalised. It is scheduled to be presented in the Parliament in 2019 together with the new draft law on the Academy of Science.

**Tourism Development Strategy 2019-2023 and Action Plan:** The National Tourism Development Strategy is multi-dimensional and encompasses a range of sectors, sub-sectors and policies, focusing on international promotion of Albania as a worthy destination, competing quality in the global tourism market. Consequently, Albania's positioning in international market will be based on:

(i) Long-term sustainability of public interventions and investments, to turn the economy's tourism economy into a tourist attraction, a better place to live and a more profitable potential for tourism ventures. (ii) Regular protection and development of geo-spaces in respect of nature, ecosystems, demographic and urban development in all areas with a potential in tourism development. (iii) Creation of new development industries and clusters as well as consolidation of the tourism offer and creation of new products.(iv) Increasing the added value and impact of the sector on the economy and employment. (v) Development of new products and services in tourism, as well as improvement of their quality. (vi) Improving economy's image and promoting authentic local products.

All strategies, laws, regulations and decrees issued under the earlier investment-related legislation, including the Strategic Investment Law, will be streamlined and reformed to ensure adherence with good practice principles. The Albania Government reform is targeted at creating a comprehensive investment legal framework for domestic and foreign investors compatible with international good practices, and at developing a mechanism to systematically address investor grievances and increase investment retention. The proposed reform is part of the priorities of the government's programme, the Economic Reform Programme (ERP) 2019–2021<sup>2</sup> under boosting the trade reform measure (Pillar I), Integrated Growth of SEE 2020, and Business Improvement District Strategy 2014–2020, and contributes to an increase in competitiveness.

**The Economic Reform Programme (ERP) 2019 – 2021** outlines the main macroeconomic and fiscal policies aiming to establish a clear balance between the internal strengths and external threats, with a view to enable sustainable growth, increased employment and reduced public debt.

<sup>2</sup> Approved by government in January 2018.

These reform measures encapsulate some of the priorities of the incumbent government ranging from energy market liberalisation, diversification of energy sources, transport, broadband connectivity, land consolidation and defragmentation, businesses environment, trade, VET, water and wastewater sector, to employment and social inclusion. The investment climate reform is aimed at the promotion of domestic and foreign investments based on the following goals:

- (i) steady economic growth of the economy; (ii) business-friendly environment; (iii) free flow of goods, services and capital; (iv) boosted investments; (vi) increased potential of the region's industry; (vii) more jobs created; (viii) increased funding and a more focused Research Development and Innovations Strategy in a number of specific sectors, particularly in energy, agro-food and sustainable tourism, which would support the efforts of government to attract investment.

## Land Management Reform

The integrated land management reform initiated by the Albanian government in 2013 is supported by the World Bank and aims to take important steps to improve service delivery for citizens, increasing transparency and minimising opportunities for corrupt practices in the sector. The government's e-Gateway has been put in operation, where various systems are connected and share information, as well as the National Spatial Data Information Geo-portal.

The main reform interventions consist of implementation of the following policy goals: (i) creation of a cohesive framework of land policies to consistently guide land activities, including an overall National Land Policy and the creation of sub-sector land policies, e.g. for forestry, tourism, real estate and agriculture; (ii) institutional reform to reduce existing institutional fragmentation and overlaps and create more efficient land institutions; (iii) provision of a supportive, harmonised legal and regulatory framework; and (iv) implementation of a capacity development strategy across the land sector.

The main goal of the **Albanian National Land Consolidation Strategy**, adopted by the government in 2016 to be implemented until the year 2028, is the creation of family farms that are economically viable, competitive and sustainable. This is to be done in a way that contributes to the sustainable, inclusive and gender and socially equitable development of the rural and agricultural sector, economic growth, enhanced food security and reduction of poverty, rational use of natural resources, environmental protection and restoration of natural areas.

The strategy aims to assist farmers to improve farm structures by providing opportunities to reduce land fragmentation and enlarge farm size by developing conditions for land consolidation, including a national land consolidation programme, adoption of an appropriate legal framework, and successful implementation of land consolidation projects. This strategy targets all farmers, with its primary target group being farming families (all members: male, female, young and old) who have the potential to drive agricultural production. Other types of farmers are also eligible to participate in land consolidation projects, with their participation being important in order to achieve sustainable impacts.

The Government adopted an action plan and, in 2015, introduced a mechanism to effectively resolve the property issues, through compensation or restitution of properties to form owners over a period of ten years.

The goals of the Integrated Land Management Reform in Albania are the following:

- Improve the system of property rights, titles, registration and restitution (issuing of titles and completion of registration);
- Establish an Integrated Multipurpose Cadastre based on a unique, tax-value property map;
- Empower the land market through capitalisation and circulation, land consolidation for tourism and agriculture, land easement instruments, land access tools, land professionals and land services.

**National Waste Management Strategy 2010-2025:** The Albanian Government has adopted waste management legislation in line with the EU requirements. Waste management policies consist of a legislative framework and the National Integrated Solid Waste Strategy with the respective plan.

The National Strategy and Plan guide policy making at the national, regional and local level. The National Strategy establishes general objectives and stipulates guiding principles and decision-making criteria, which provide the basis for the preparation for implementation of strategies and plans. The strategy and plan are based on the need to protect public health, environment and economy through the reduction of waste, recovery of resources and maximisation of recycling and re-use. The Strategy and Plan lead the way towards a circular economy and are aligned with the EU Waste Framework Directive (WFD). Both place emphasis on feasibility and affordability in order to provide a useful policy and planning instrument.

**Strategic Biodiversity Policy Paper:** Albania has been and continues to be a participant in European and regional initiatives related to the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), especially in the PAN-European Strategy on Biological and Landscape Diversity (PESBLD). The main objectives for implementing the CBD and PESBLD are: 1) protection and improvement of biological and landscape diversity; 2) incorporation of the principles and policies required for sustainable biodiversity use and management; and 3) promoting sustainable development for present and future generations.

## Fiscal Structural Reform

The financial structural reform was focused on improvements in the government's revenue collection. As an essential component of fiscal policy, the structural reform is an efficient instrument for enhancing innovation and competitiveness, through facilitation of business and economic development and macro-economic growth and fiscal stability. As established in the Strategy for the Management of Public Finances<sup>3</sup> for 2014–2020, measures to improve revenue collection in Albania include the following:

- Review of tax policy and reform of tax and customs administrations, with a view to enhancing revenue collection efficiency, reducing the tax gap, and fighting tax evasion and informal economy;
- Adapting the tax policy to the new legislation on both corporate and personal income tax;
- Reform of property tax;
- Continuous review of tax percentages in light of budget needs and in line with economic developments;
- Measures against fiscal informality and payments systems.

The mid-term Economic Reform Programme 2019–2021 outlines the main macro-economic and fiscal policies aiming to establish a clear balance between internal strengths of and external threats to the system, with a view to enabling sustainable growth, increased employment and reduced public debt. In addition, ERP introduces the priority structural medium-term reforms aimed at increasing domestic production, stimulating new investments and ensuring sustainable growth and increased competitiveness. Governments priorities are oriented towards fiscal consolidation and improved public expenditure management, reduction of infrastructure deficits, regulatory and institutional reform and improvement of social protection systems.

**PFM strategy is ongoing** (started in May 2018), including identification of new priorities to be addressed, which include, among others, Public Investment Management (**PIM**) including fragmented approval, appraisal, selection, and monitoring processes for public investment projects, Public Private Partnerships (**PPPs**) and concessions; analysis of, monitoring, reporting and mitigating fiscal risks; re-accumulation of arrears<sup>4</sup> at local and central government levels following the clearance of all pre-2014 arrears; improving the follow-up of internal and external audit recommendations; strengthening of internal control standards across government in line with a comprehensive PIFC policy; online access to the Treasury for all budget institutions.

PFM priorities are currently being reassessed based on a mid-term review of the strategy in 2018<sup>5</sup>. The goal of this reassessment is to: improve budget planning and management; strengthen internal control implementation across government; prevent arrears at central and local government level; follow up on internal and external audit recommendations; improve investment planning and management; improve public procurement review and compliance with procurement rules; grant more institutions online access to the Treasury; and analyse the fiscal risks of state-owned enterprises.

National Plan for European Integration (NPEI) 2019-2021 includes medium and long term measures, extending to 2020, in order for Albania to reach full legal approximation of the national legislation with the EU acquis and align all its sectors with standards set by the acquis chapters.

The NPEI will be revised annually to take stock of the progress achieved, not only in the approximation rate, but also in the implementation of the approximated legislation. NPEI aims to coordinate approximation process by defining priorities for acts to be approximated, ministries tasked with drafting/revising Albanian legal acts, level of approximation, and dates of adoption and entry into force.

The rate of NPEI implementation remains low, at less than 30%, and the overall quality of policy planning remains weak. The government should step up efforts to establish functional inter-institutional co-ordination structures for more effective implementation of the NPEI at both political and administrative level.<sup>6</sup>

## Justice system reform

**The cross-sectoral justice strategy for 2017-2021 and its action plan were adopted in 2016. Parts of the earlier action plan have already been implemented.** The estimated budget for its implementation is EUR 98 million, of which 35% is provided by international donors. The establishment of appropriate monitoring, evaluation and reporting mechanisms is still pending.

<sup>4</sup> <http://www.financa.gov.al/al/raportime/shlyerja-e-detyrimeve-te-prapambetura>

<sup>5</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20190529-albania-report.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20190529-albania-report.pdf>

The Cross-Cutting Justice Strategy 2017–2021 has eight high-level strategic goals, as follows:

Goal 1: Strengthening the independence, efficiency and accountability of the justice system institutions;

Goal 2 Consolidation of legal education and training, as well as specialisation of magistrates and court personnel;

Goal 3: Improvement of the operation of the judicial system by strengthening its efficiency, transparency and accessibility in accordance with European standards; Goal 4: Increasing the efficiency of the criminal justice system and anti-corruption measures through consolidation of the mission, status and functions of criminal justice institutions;

Goal 5: Improving the functioning of the justice system by providing modern electronic systems procedures and facilities for development of strong international cooperation;

Goal 6: Enhancement of the protection of human rights in the penitentiary system;

Goal 7: Improving the functioning of the Ministry of Justice and its subordinate institutions;

Goal 8: Improving the service quality of legal professions and establishing a legal framework for arbitration.

Justice reform is an ongoing process and the Analytical Paper was followed by a Justice Reform Strategy, envisaging amendments to the Albanian Constitution, development of some 40 laws, and the setting-up of several institutions. The EC 2018 Report on Albania states that “The implementation of comprehensive and thorough justice reform has continued, resulting in good progress overall. The re-evaluation of all judges and prosecutors (vetting process) has started and is delivering first tangible results.”<sup>7</sup>

The implementation of the Inter-sectoral Strategy against Corruption is overall on track, although weaknesses remain. These weaknesses include the need to strengthen ownership and institutional capacities, ensure proper costing of Strategy measures and ensure harmonisation with the ongoing actions in the anti-corruption sector (including donor activities).

**National Strategy for Combating Violent Extremism and Action Plan<sup>8</sup>:** In November 2015, Albania published a national strategy to counter violent extremism. As part of this programme, the government identified and focused on four areas: education, engagement with religious leaders, economic opportunity, and research. In these respective areas, the government has sought to:

- Through its Ministry of Education help facilitate greater awareness of the threat and dangers associated with violent extremist ideology (Educate);
- Work with religious leaders in the KMSH to support counter-narratives in the economy’s official religious centres (Engagement);
- Through its Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth devise ways to improve social and economic conditions for at-risk individuals, particularly Albanian youths (Economic Opportunity); and
- Open a centre (the first of its kind) to better study, understand, and ultimately counter the phenomenon of foreign terrorist fighting (Research).

<sup>7</sup> European Commission, Albania 2018 Report, Strasbourg, 17.4.2018, p. 5.

<sup>8</sup> (Sources: [Global Coalition](#), [Regional Cooperation Council](#))

In February 2019 Albania adopted a new **National Strategy on Small Arms and Light Weapons for the period from 2019 to 2024** and a corresponding action plan 2019-2021. Albania signed the regional ‘Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of small arms and light weapons and their ammunition in the Western Balkans by 2024’ at the London summit in July 2018.

The Strategy and Action Plan ensure and monitor the fulfilment of Albania’s obligations under different international conventions and documents in the area of firearms control (including the UN Programme of Action, the OSCE Document on SALW, the Arms Trade Treaty, the United Nations Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in SALW, the EU Code of Conduct, etc.), and also the alignment with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

In particular, the Strategy and the Action Plan refer to the “Roadmap for a sustainable solution to the illegal possession, misuse and trafficking of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) and their ammunition in the Western Balkans, by 2024”.

The goals of the Strategy and Action Plan correspond to those of the regional Roadmap and also with the performance indicators. Although Albania has approved the Law 74/2014 on Weapons, for the first time ever granting ownership of weapons to natural persons, it requires amendments, not only due to the experience gained during its implementation, but also because of its harmonisation with the European Firearms Directive which was amended in 2017.

Goal 1: By 2023, ensure that arms control legislation is in place, fully harmonised with the EU regulatory framework and other related international obligations, and standardised across the region.

Goal 2: By 2024, ensure that arms control policies and practices in Albania are evidence based and intelligence led.

Goal 3: By 2024, significantly reduce illicit flows of firearms, ammunition and explosives (FAE) into, within and beyond Albania.

Goal 4: By 2024, significantly reduce the supply, demand and misuse of firearms through increased awareness, education, outreach and advocacy.

Goal 5: By 2024, substantially decrease the estimated number of firearms in illicit possession in Albania.

In addition, the table below provide list of strategies (2020+) per responsible institution.

Table I The list of national policy documents/programmes/strategies and responsible line ministries/institutions

Institutions	Policy documents
Ministry of Defence	National Strategy on Small Arms and Light Weapons for the period from 2019 to 2024
	Long Term Development Plan of the AF 2016-2025
Ministry of Tourism and Environment	National Waste Management Strategy 2010-2025
	National Waste Management Plan 2010 – 2025
	Albania Tourism Development Strategy 2019-2023 and Action Plan
Ministry of Finance and Economy	National Strategy on Migration 2019-2022
	Economic Reform Programme 2019-2021
	Fiscal Strategy of the Republic of Albania (2020-2022)
Ministry of Justice	Minors Justice Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2021
	Justice Sector Reform Strategy (2017-2021)
Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy	National Energy Strategy 2018 – 2030
	Mining Strategy 2010-2025
	National Water Supply and Sewerage Sector Strategy 2019 – 2030
Ministry of Education Sport and Youth	National Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation 2017-2023
Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs	National Plan for European Integration (2019-2021)
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	Integrated Water Resources Management Strategy 2018-2027
State Minister for Diaspora	National Diaspora Strategy 2018-2024 and Action Plan
National Territorial Planning Agency	General National Territory Plan 2030
	PINS_Tirane_Durres_ Albanian National Land Consolidation Strategy 2016-2028
Technical Secretariat of the National Water Council	National Strategy on Integrated Water Resource Management 2018-2027
	National Sector Programme 2018 - 2030 (NSP)

## Key findings

To enable economic development and improve the socio-economic conditions of the population over the medium-term cycle 2020 - 2022, the government will continue funding the priorities set out in its 2017-2021 governance programme as follows:

### The six Government priorities for reforms in Albania are:

- Innovative and citizen-centred public services;
- Recovery and financial consolidation of the energy sector;
- Fostering innovation and competitiveness, foreign direct investments and domestic investments;
- Integrated water management;
- Integrated land management;
- Financial structural reform.

Based on MTBP 2020-2022: To enable economic development and improve the socio-economic conditions of the population over the medium-term cycle 2020-2022, the government will continue funding the priorities set out in 2017-2021 governance programme as follows:

**Water Infrastructure:** Extending the water supply service, which will reach 75% nationally; extension of sewage networks to remove urban wastewater, which will reach 48% nationally; coverage of agricultural land with irrigation and drainage infrastructure, which will increase by 45,000 ha for irrigation and 70,000 ha for drainage; meeting the needs of water industry, with the aim of guaranteeing water in the required quantity and quality. For the period 2020-2022, funding for this priority will be increased from ALL 15.4 billion in 2020 to ALL 17.0 billion in 2022.

**Modernisation of public services** aimed at reforming the way of organisation and structure of relevant institutions, introduction of technology and computerisation of service, recruitment of staff and making service delivery to citizens quality, professional and fast. For the period from 2020 to 2022, funding for this priority is estimated at ALL 1.7 billion.

**Integrated land management** aimed at: providing justice for property titles including their registration and restitution and compensation; unification of property registries in a transparent and digital multifunctional cadastre, including all property mapping; equipping the entire surface of agricultural land with certificates of ownership; improving agricultural structures by alleviating the problem of fallow soil (8% of agricultural land) by implementing fiscal incentives. Fulfilling the objectives of this reform will benefit from the support of development partners as well as the state budget which will finance this priority with an average of ALL 5.5 billion annually for the period from 2020 to 2022.

**Employment** aimed at increasing employment and halving the gap between youth and general unemployment by supporting start-up programmes, education, vocational training and preferential market paths for youth employment.

**Public Investment** aimed at maintaining a 5% to GDP ratio will be channelled into key sectors for economic and social development such as:

**National road infrastructure:** concentration of budgetary funding for completing important national axes: Thumana - Vora - Kashar, Kashar - Rrogozhina, Milot - Balldren, Orikum - Dukat and Kardhiq - Delvina; as well as bypasses of Fier and Vlora.

**Water and sanitation:** Increasing the population's access to quality water and sanitation services through the financing of sewerage projects in the period from 2020 to 2022, with ALL 33 billion.

**Education:** Pre-university education will prioritise and finance projects for construction, reconstruction/rebuilding or additions to the existing school. Higher education continues to support modernisation of student accommodation infrastructures as well as investments in improving the quality of the teaching process.

**Agriculture:** Productivity growth on large farms will continue to be supported with ALL 9 billion provided by the IPARD programme. These funds will improve the production, processing and marketing of agricultural products to increase their food quantity and security. The government will continue investing with the aim of "water in every parcel" and improving drainage through deepening decentralisation and increasing investment in the sector.

**Rural Infrastructure:** Improve infrastructure; assess traditions and cultural heritage; increase the level of public services; improve the aesthetic of residential housing enabling certain rural areas to have a positive economic, diversified and sustainable development, while also creating conditions for tourism and agro-tourism development.

## 2.2. REVIEW OF POST-2020 INITIATIVES AND PROJECTS BEYOND GOVERNMENT SPHERE<sup>9</sup>

Albania has more than 600 ongoing and planned post-2020 projects<sup>10</sup>, with committed funds of EUR 4,171,868,460.

The EU provided financial assistance to Albania under the Instrument for Pre-accession Assistance (IPA I) in 2007-2013 with a total allocation of EUR 594 million. The assistance has been predominantly implemented under direct management of the EU Delegation in Tirana. The indirect management modality has been introduced with a pilot approach for IPA 2012 and 2013 national programmes.

Under IPA II (2014-2020), and in line with the priorities set out in the indicative strategy paper, Albania will benefit a total indicative allocation of EUR 649.4 million from pre-accession assistance. The Framework Agreement for IPA II entered into force in April 2015. The 2014-2017 action programmes for Albania provide EUR 170 million to promote reforms in key sectors, such as democracy and governance and rule of law and fundamental rights, and EUR 113 million to invest in competitiveness and growth. EUR 64 million for rule of law and justice reform, and EUR 30 million for environmental protection and economic development have been earmarked for 2018 action programme for Albania.

<sup>9</sup> Findings of this report are based on the information gathered from the IPMG Technical Secretariat, in cooperation with the Thematic Groups' technical secretariats, which have provided relevant data based on the project info format prepared by the IPMG Technical Secretariat.

<sup>10</sup> See Annex I for a full listing of projects

Table 2:IPA II 2014-2020

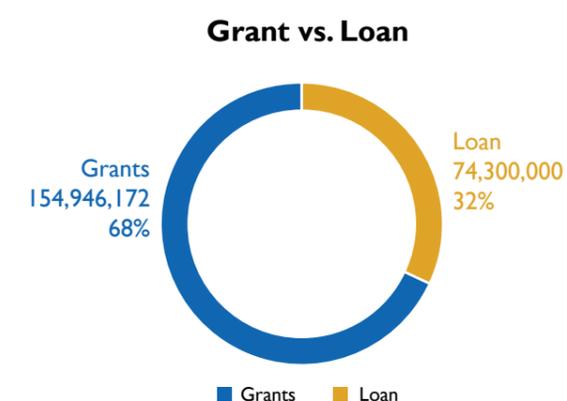
Albania	2014	2015	2016	2017	Total 2014-2017	2018	2019	2020	Total 2018-2020	Total 2014-2020	Of which climate change relevant (%)
Democracy and rule of law	68,7	61,9	32,7	19,6	182,9	69,4	29,0	61,2	159,6	342,5	
Democracy and governance	64,7	48,9	10,2	19,6	143,4	10,4	16,4	38,5	65,3	208,7	
Rule of law and fundamental rights	4,0	13,0	22,5	0,0	39,5	59,0	12,6	22,7	94,3	133,8	
Competitiveness and growth	0,0	30,0	49,7	60,6	140,3	46,2	70,0	40,5	156,7	297,0	
Environment, climate change and energy	0,0	0,0	4,0	0,0	4,0	26,2	0,0	0,0	26,2	30,2	66%
Transport	0,0	0,0	24,0	0,0	24,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0	24,0	27%
Competitiveness, innovation, agriculture and rural development	0,0	0,0	21,7	60,6	82,3	20	40	40,5	100,5	182,8	34%
Education, employment and social policies	0,0	30,0	0,0	0,0	30,0	0,0	30,0	0,0	30,0	60,0	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>68,7</b>	<b>91,9</b>	<b>82,4</b>	<b>80,2</b>	<b>323,2</b>	<b>115,6</b>	<b>99,0</b>	<b>101,7</b>	<b>316,3</b>	<b>639,5</b>	

- Rule of law, fundamental rights and democracy
- Good governance, acquis alignment, strategic communication and good neighbourly relations
- Green agenda and sustainable connectivity
- Competitiveness and inclusive growth
- Territorial and cross border cooperation

The five Windows, which broadly correspond to the specific objectives of the regulation, are all facets of the EU policy for enlargement and are linked with one another in a complementary manner. Also, a number of cross-cutting themes, such as climate change, civil society, gender, rights based approach, can be implemented under the five windows.

Among other outcomes, the dam instrumentation and monitoring systems are now in operation; the Komani Dam's toe rehabilitation and dredging works for the tailrace channel have been completed; rockfall protection has been fully implemented in all three power plants; electromechanical rehabilitation works on the Komani Hydropower Plant (HPP), the largest HPP in Albania, have been completed; and the refurbishment and rehabilitation of all four units have increased the power plant's benefit from the cascade operation during good hydrology seasons as well as its efficiency, hence water leakages have been eliminated and the estimated 11 GWh lost each year have been reduced to zero.

Ongoing work is focused on the Fierza and Komani Spillway Gates and stoplog rehabilitation, which will increase the benefits stemming from the optimisation of the Drini cascade and fully eliminate water leakages that are currently costing a loss of 20 GWh every year. The rehabilitation work is expected to be completed by December 2020.



Graph 1: Grant vs. Loan

The public sector has received diversified and balanced type of financing through:

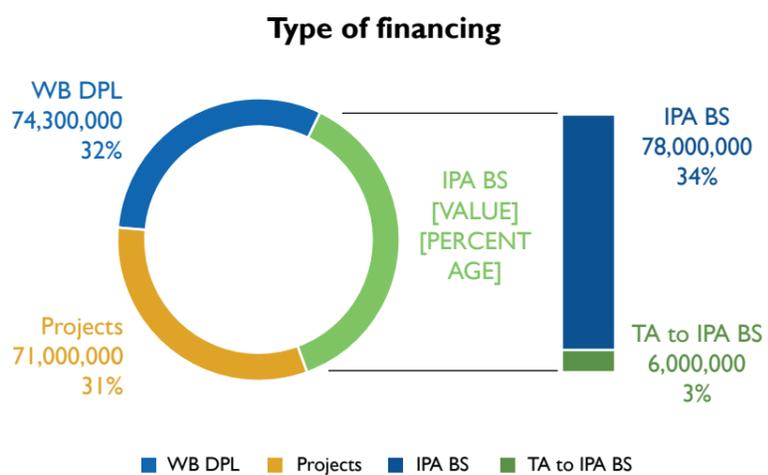
- Budget support to three subsectors (PFM, PAR and Anticorruption), in the amount of EUR 84 million provided by IPA II instrument. It also includes technical assistance (Euro 6 million).
- Loans from the World Bank through DLI (Disbursement Linked Indicators) in the amount of Euro 74.3 million.
- Traditional financing through grants (71 million in grants to support 30 projects).

Albania benefits from support under IPA multi-country programme and participates in five cross-border cooperation programmes, as well as in transnational cooperation programmes under the European Regional Development Fund and the IPA Adriatic cross-border programme.

With IPA support Albania participates in the following EU programmes: Erasmus+, Creative Europe (Culture and Media strands), Employment and Social Innovation, Horizon 2020, Customs 2020, Fiscals 2020, Competitiveness of Enterprises and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises Programme (COSME) and Europe for Citizens. Good Governance sector is mainly financed by **grants covering 68% of the sector financing** (or Euro 155 million).<sup>11</sup>

Albania is in the process of IPA III programming and in the process of writing a **strategic document** for the five Windows (**content & indicative allocation**) for the whole period; five Windows are:

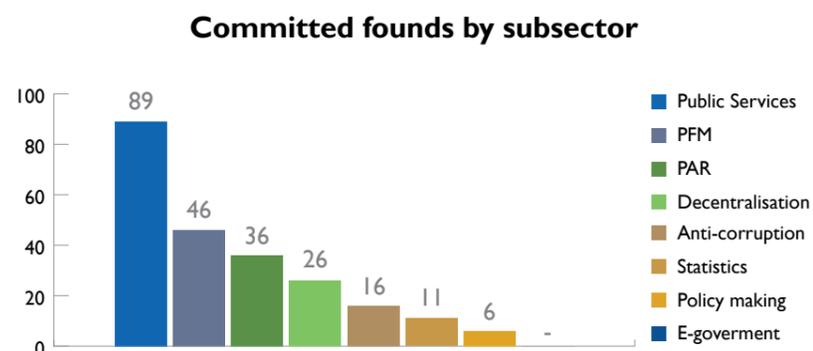
<sup>11</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20190529-albania-report.pdf>



Graph 2: Type of financing

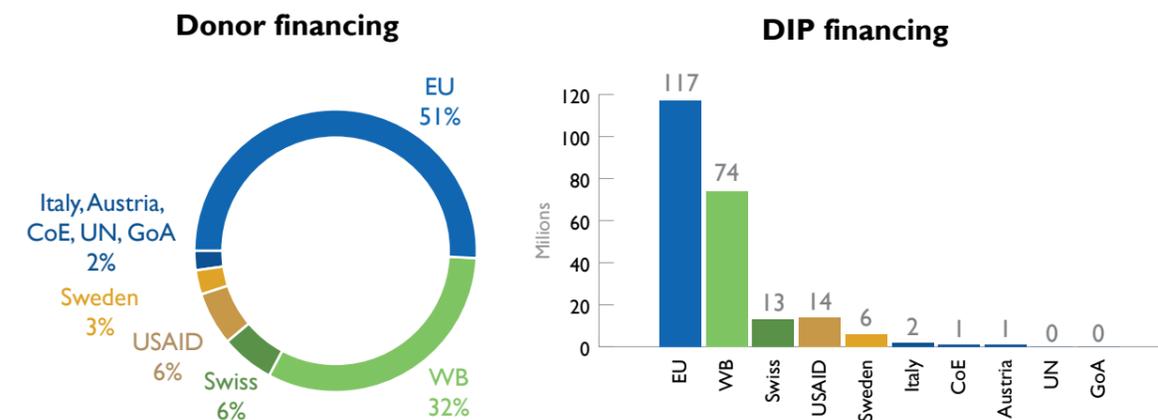
The following sub-sectors have received most of the funds (86%):

- Public Services EUR 88.7 million
- Public Finance Management EUR 45.6 million
- Public Administration Reform EUR 35.7 million
- Decentralisation EUR 26.4 million



Graph 3: Committed funds by subsector

As shown in the graphs below, the sector financing is dominated by the EU, covering 51% of the ongoing external assistance.



Graph 4: Donor financing

## Key findings

**Funding allocation 2014-2020:** €639.5 million, **priority sectors** for funding in this period are:<sup>12</sup>

**Democracy & governance:** Strengthening democratic institutions; reforming the civil service and public service delivery; better economic governance; improving public financial management; empowering civil society (e.g. non-state, voluntary organisations).

**Rule of law & fundamental rights:** Independent, efficient judiciary; helping police fight organised crime; tackling corruption; respecting human rights conventions.

**Environment & climate action:** Alignment with EU law and standards; better treatment of waste and water; controlling air pollution.

**Transport:** Better infrastructure and regional connectivity; improved road safety; increased interoperability (cross-border technical compatibility).

**Competitiveness & innovation:** Supporting business competitiveness; greater market integration; improving the business environment; developing tourism.

**Education, employment & social policies:** Providing effective vocational training; better employment services and labour market policy; inclusion of vulnerable people; efficient health and social services.

**Agriculture & rural development:** More competitive farming and food sector; application of food safety standards; better quality of life in rural areas.

**Regional & territorial cooperation:** Promoting regional networks, reconciliation and good neighbourly relations; encouraging sustainable local development in border areas.

<sup>12</sup> [https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/instruments/funding-by-country/albania\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/instruments/funding-by-country/albania_en)

The table below shows the amount of subsector support by each donor:

Sub-Sector	PFM	PAR	Decentralisation	Policy making	Statistics	Anti-corruption	Public Services	DIP Totals
EU	43,676,947	35,736,415	8,861,701	2,985,350	6,392,780	14,000,000	1,205,750	<b>112,858,943</b>
WB					119,461		29,300,000	<b>29,419,461</b>
Swiss	1,904,762		1,772,032	1,150,000	1,483,095			<b>6,309,889</b>
USAID			11,951,059			1,785,000		<b>13,736,059</b>
Sweden			1,526,972	1,068,100	3,380,040			<b>5,975,112</b>
Italy			1,203,979				1,139,324	<b>2,343,303</b>
CoE			750,000					<b>750,000</b>
Austria				500,000			600,000	<b>1,100,000</b>
UN			89,286				293,379	<b>382,665</b>
GOA			249,170					<b>249,170</b>
<b>Sub-sector Totals</b>	<b>45,581,709</b>	<b>35,736,415</b>	<b>26,404,199</b>	<b>5,703,450</b>	<b>11,375,376</b>	<b>15,785,000</b>	<b>32,538,453</b>	<b>173,124,602</b>

- *New measures to enforce the implementation of legal and operational framework are included in the new PFM Strategy 2019 -2022.*

Technical assistance experts are developing activities aimed at strengthening the capacities of the Government, and especially the Ministry of Finance and Economy as well as other stakeholders to implement the public finance reform strategy. The components for which activities are being developed are:

- Component 1 - Sector Budget Support from the European Union
- Component 2 - Managing the PFM Reform
- Component 3 - Annual and Medium Term Budget Planning
- Component 4 - Transparency and Budget Inclusion
- Component 5 - Public Internal Financial Control
- Component 6 - Public Communication and Awareness

The IPA 2013 twinning project for Upgrading the Albanian Customs Administration (1.8 Euro million) is close to completion (June 2019). However, another **TA assistance is planned to support Albanian customs administration** in the amount of Euro 2.4 million (subject to EUD tender procedures).

Another important project: Support for Public Accounting Reforms, financed by Swiss, is providing technical assistance and capacity building aiming to (i) improve the management of budget resources, (ii) improve decision-making, and (iii) enhance the overall transparency of the use of fiscal resources.

- Department of Public Department is in the process of extending the Action Plan of the Cross-Cutting Strategy for Public Administration Reform until 2022.

## Public Services Subsector

This subsector is receiving most funds (Euro 88.6 million or 39% of the GG&PA sector). It is supported by 4 active projects, with the biggest ones being the Social Services Delivery Project and the Citizen Centric Service Delivery Project financed by means of loans from the World Bank (respectively Euro 45 and 29.3 million).

The Social Services Delivery Project is the biggest one in the sector, covering an important reform in Albania, dealing with economic assistance. The project has been extended until June 2021.

The main objective of the Citizen Centric Service Delivery Project is to simplify procedures and improve the quality and efficiency of public service delivery by reforming citizen-centred services. It consists of three components: 1) strengthening of support systems, 2) increasing citizens interaction with service delivery, and 3) building capacity for service delivery.

The project has achieved some visible results in improving public service delivery, as confirmed by mid-term project results, a survey conducted in the last quarter of 2018. The overall project progress is estimated to be satisfactory with a disbursement rate of 70 % of total funds.

The mid-term evaluation of the project related to the achievement of the Project's main objectives (PDOs) confirmed that access of citizens to public services and citizens' satisfaction with public services have improved significantly. Access to project-focused services has improved by 22 percentage points compared to baseline findings (conducted in 2016). Significant growth is also noted for subgroups, such as women and poorer groups by 18 percentage points, and the Roma population by 17 percentage points. EU and other donors are also providing support to improve citizen-centric public service delivery:

- The EU support of Euro 1.2 million financed by IPA CAP 2014 is guided by the initiative "Innovation against corruption: Building a Model for Providing Public Citizen Services" undertaken by the Government of Albania in 2014. The reform pillars in providing citizen-centred services are: separation of reception counters from support offices; providing integrated service through re-engineering of business processes; legal reform; and digitalisation of services. The project is set to finish in May 2019.
- Austria, Italy and UN are co-financing another project in this area, amounting to Euro 2 million.

## 2.3. LINKAGES OF MAPPED STRATEGIES AND PRIORITIES WITH EUROPEAN COMMISSION PRIORITIES

The EU integration process in Albania is governed by two fundamental documents: the Roadmap for addressing the five key priorities and the National Plan for European Integration (NPEI) 2015-2020. The Roadmap provides short term measures designed to meet the five key priorities presented in the EC Enlargement Strategy of 2013. The NPEI extends to medium and long term measures in order for Albania to reach full legal approximation of the national legislation with the EU acquis and to align all its sectors with standards set by the acquis chapters. Furthermore, NPEI is in line with the budget for the upcoming year and the Mid Term Budget Programme (MTBP).

The EU integration is the overarching goal of Albania. Progress made in the fulfilment of obligations in line with the political criteria, especially constructive cooperation and political dialogue between the ruling majority and the opposition on major reforms related to the priorities of the accession process, the parliamentary elections, and measures against corruption and organised crime, conditioned the granting of candidate status to Albania by the European Union. Mapping the SDG priorities according to the EU integration process priorities is very important to align and synergise the efforts for the implementation of these processes. However, as the EU integration priorities are part of the NSDI II 2015-2020 priorities, this assessment is included in the next section.

The second National Strategy for Development and Integration (NSDI II) presents Albania's vision for its national social, democratic and economic development over the period 2016–2020 and its aspirations for European integration through six strategic priorities:

- EU membership, with objectives related to public administration reform, a modern, professional and depoliticised civil service, more independent and accountable judicial institutions, addressing corruption, and protecting human rights;
- Consolidating good governance, democracy and the rule of law with strong, effective and democratic government institutions and a fully functional and open judicial system with equal access for all;
- Ensuring growth through macro-economic and fiscal stability;
- Ensuring growth through increased competitiveness and innovation;
- Investing in people and social cohesion with objectives related to a modern educational system, a universal and quality health-care system, expanded employment opportunities, a stronger social protection system, gender equality and social inclusion;
- Ensuring growth through connectivity and sustainable use of resources.

European integration is the overarching priority of NSDI II and for many years the most important strategic priority. Albania's vision for European integration has full political consensus and popular support. Success of the process, through accession negotiations leading to full membership, depends upon the completion of many complex and interrelated conditions, including five areas identified as priority conditions for opening of accession negotiations, as follows:

- Public administration reform, stable institutions and a modern, professional and depoliticised civil service;
- Strengthening of the independence, efficiency and accountability of judicial institutions;
- Increasing the fight against corruption;
- Increasing the fight against organised crime;
- Ensuring the protection of human rights (including property rights).

A set of about 40 sectoral strategies adopted by the Albanian government complement the strategic framework of the Integrated Planning System. NSDI II is organised around EU integration as the overarching goal, with thirteen cross-cutting foundations on good governance, democracy and rule of law, and four main sectoral pillars.

Implementation of NSDI II is monitored through three sets of national monitoring indicators which are: (i) specific to EU integration as agreed between government and the EC, (ii) cover 40 sectors, sub-sectors and major programmes included in NSDI II, and (iii) macroeconomic indicators. The SDGs are integrated into NSDI II, including a specific annex showing the links between the pillars and sub-themes, and the different SDGs.

The accession to the European Union (EU) is the overarching national priority and the most important strategic ambition as the EU integration process has political consensus and nationwide support as a sound way of achieving a sustainable future for the people of Albania. The strategic objective of ensuring good governance and rule of law with the ultimate aim of EU accession is a cross-cutting objective of the NSDI and underpins all other strategic objectives. The European integration process has been driven by the progress and completion of many complex and interrelated reforms, including five areas identified as priorities in this process:

- **Public Administration Reform (PAR):** stable institutions and a modern, professional and depoliticised civil service. PAR is closely linked to the EU integration process and is one of the key priorities of the Albanian government. PAR is focused especially on improving the efficiency and transparency of public services delivery, training civil servants, establishing more transparent recruitment procedures and strengthening the administration's capacity to undertake merit-based recruitment. Reform of public administration is closely linked with the envisaged reforms under the Digital Albania Strategy and the Decentralisation Strategy;
- Strengthening the independence, efficiency and accountability of judicial institutions;
- Increasing the fight against corruption;
- Increasing the fight against organised crime;
- Ensuring the protection of human rights, including property rights.

A set of 10 specific indicators – most of which calculated and published by international organisations – cover all the EU integration priorities. All the EU integration indicators use 2012 as a baseline year and NSDI II has specific targets for each indicator, both for the mid-term implementation (2017) and the final target of the NSDI II (2020).

The assessment of the EU integration indicators for the mid-term targets (2017) reveals that:

- Albania has exceeded NSDI II targets set for 2017 for four EU integration indicators, namely in the areas of:
  - Good governance / public administration reform
  - Statistics
  - Competitiveness
  - Employment
- Albania has made progress but not reached NSDI II targets set for 2017 for four EU integration indicators, namely in the areas of:
  - Anti-corruption
  - Rule of law
  - Good governance
  - Fundamental rights
- Albania has not made progress in reaching the target set for 2017 and worsened compared to 2012 for one EU integration indicator, namely in the area of:
  - Transport logistics
- Data is not available for one EU indicator – in the area of *local government*.

In addition to the EU integration as the key national priority, NSDI II includes its foundations and four main pillars aimed at delivering its vision, as follows:

- Consolidating good governance, democracy and the rule of law with strong, effective and democratic institutions and a fully functional and open judicial system (foundations)
- Ensuring growth through macroeconomic and fiscal stability (Pillar 1)
- Ensuring growth through increased competitiveness and innovation (Pillar 2)
- Investing in people and social cohesion with objectives related to a modern educational system, a universal and quality health care system, expanded employment opportunities, a stronger social protection system, gender equality and social inclusion (Pillar 3)
- Ensuring growth through connectivity and sustainable use of resources and territorial development (Pillar 4)

Progress achieved in reaching the NSDI II vision in each pillar is measured by two other sets of indicators. The first set includes 15 high-level development and macroeconomic indicators while the second set contains 24 specific indicators for each policy area covered by NSDI II.

## Key findings

The assessment of the high-level macroeconomic indicators reveals that:

- Albania has exceeded NSDI II targets set for 2017 for six high-level macroeconomic indicators
- Albania has made progress but not reached NSDI II targets set for 2017 for five high-level macroeconomic indicators
- Albania has not made progress in reaching the target set for 2017 and worsened compared to 2012 for four high-level macroeconomic indicators

The assessment of sector indicators reveals that:

- Albania has exceeded NSDI II targets set for 2017 for eleven sector indicators
- Albania has made progress but not reached NSDI II targets set for 2017 for six sector indicators
- Data is not available for five sector indicators

## 2.4. LINKAGES OF MAPPED STRATEGIES AND PRIORITIES WITH UNITED NATIONS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The Albanian decision to participate in the pilot work could be seen as an extension of an effort to implement 9th MDG goal (MDG-9) initially designed in 2004, and made more ambitious in 2008, to establish and strengthen good governance. The economy's decision to develop and test governance targets and indicators as part of the UN SDGs framework was aimed at integrating good governance performance measures and indicators into the National Strategy for Development and Integration (NSDI) 2015-2020.

The assessment indicates that 32% of indicators from the global indicators framework is available in Albania, 24% is either available with efforts or partially available, 39% are currently not available and 6% are not applicable to Albania. Most indicators for SDG 3, SDG 1, SDG 5 and SDG 17 are available in Albania while SDG 12, SDG 14, SDG 16, SDG 6 and SDG 11 are the SDGs with the lowest number of indicators from the global framework, with data available for the economy. It is again interesting to show that this assessment clearly illustrates the difference between using the global framework of indicators and the domestic indicators. Two years ago, Albania piloted SDG 16 and a full set of indicators was designed to track its progress. Despite this, the analysis shows that most of SDG 16 indicators from the global framework are currently not collected.<sup>13</sup>

The Strategic Planning and Development Unit at Prime Minister's Office (PMO), as the central policy coordination body, took the lead of the whole process. After an exhaustive analysis of national sectoral strategies, as well as national, regional and international data sets, a master list of some 120 potential governance targets and indicators was identified. These 120 proposed indicators were then assessed according to their relative fit or support to the government's six strategic priorities<sup>14</sup> and to the main target areas prioritised by the national government. Thereafter, the full list of indicators chosen for tracking was condensed down to a shortlist of 21 cutting across such governance dimensions as accountability, transparency, participation and predictability.

<sup>13</sup> <https://www.un.org.al/sites/default/files/Albania%20Report%20on%20the%20Harmonization.pdf>

<sup>14</sup> The six national strategic priority areas defined by the government of Albania after the parliamentary elections of June 2013 are: (1) innovative good governance; (2) access to clean water; (3) energy; (4) foreign direct investments; (5) land and property; and (6) structural reform of the tax system. The Virtual Network Sourcebook on Measuring Peace, Justice and Effective Institutions can be found here: <http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/library/Democratic%20Governance/Virtual%20Network%20on%20Goal%2016%20indicators%20-%20Indicators%20we%20want%20Report.pdf>. The network is also planned to support the work of the Praia Group on Governance Statistics.

They were grouped based on the NSDI chapters. A validation assessment confirmed the sources of data, data producers (i.e. institution or organisation responsible for producing the data) and systems used to produce data. For those indicators requiring systems which produce data, a quick assessment of time/resources needed to develop/implement supporting measurement/reporting systems was conducted.

Albania and the EU are both committed to the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development and its Sustainable Development Goals, adopted at the UN Summit in September 2015, which provides a shared framework for progress.<sup>15</sup>

In September 2015, along with 192 other United Nations (UN) member states, Albania committed to the implementation of *Transforming Our World—The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*. Agenda 2030 in Albania follows the successful implementation of Millennium Development Goals 2000–2015, especially: (i) poverty reduced; (ii) social inclusion improved; (iii) better education system; (iv) women empowered.

The Inter-Ministerial Committee on SDGs was established in 2017 and is actively leading the Agenda 2030<sup>16</sup> processes in Albania. It is chaired by the Deputy Prime Minister and is comprised of representatives of key government institutions, representatives of local government, civil society, academia, development partners/international agencies and business organisations.

Inter-institutional Working Group on SDG established in 2017 as part of the Prime Minister's Office is operational and coordinates the work at technical level. In Albania, the strategic planning and monitoring processes for the pilot project are the responsibility of the Strategic Planning and Development Unit, which is part of the Department for Development Programming, Financing, and Foreign Aid (DDPFFA) at the Prime Minister's Office (PMO).

A Delivery Unit established at the PMO coordinates and facilitates with line Ministries and central and local agencies the achievement of the six national priorities, which also includes achievement of four indicators from amongst those proposed by the IAEG-SDG for monitoring at the global level.

During 2018, complementary structure was being put in place by the Government of Albania to ensure coordination with broader priorities and objectives associated with the key sectors – the Integrated Policy Management Groups (IPMG), coordinated by the Department for Development, Financing and Foreign Aid at the Prime Minister Office<sup>17</sup>. IPMG members include representatives of line ministries, main donors for the sectors and other stakeholders (civil society, local government representatives, etc.). The IPMGs are to continuously and systematically lead and manage the development, implementation

<sup>15</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20180817-revised-indicative-strategy-paper-2014-2020-for-albania.pdf>

<sup>16</sup> As part of the engagement of all stakeholders in the process, 25 public and private universities and faculties signed an agreement committing to play an active role in advancing the Agenda 2030 in October 2017. The National Council on Civil Society engaged in approving a public statement on supporting Agenda 2030 for the country in June 2018. The Baseline Report on SDGs was prepared and adopted by the Inter-Ministerial Committee on SDGs in January 2018. The Voluntary National Report (VNR) for presentation to the UN High Level Political Forum on sustainable development (comment: was submitted?) in July 2018, budget analysis for costing the SDG implementation (comment: was completed?! meaning missing) in June 2018, INSTAT publication of 2018 data on SDG statistical indicators was released in December 2018, NSDI Progress Report 2018 (comment: is being drafted?!), IPSIS (Integrated policy planning MIS) System is ongoing (comment: what's ongoing? Development of the system or system is functional and in operation?!).

<sup>17</sup> This is a central policy coordination body within the PMO. The Strategic Planning and Development Unit within this Department coordinated the SDG16 pilot process.

and monitoring of reforms across the specific sectors. The work of IPMGs will be supported through the establishment of sub-thematic groups.

Key government and development stakeholders were also consulted. Several meetings were organised with different line ministries to discuss the importance and the available targets for each of the indicators. In addition, consultative meetings were organised with the participation of CSO, academia, local governments and development partners.

In 2017, the Prime Minister's Office initiated the development of a National Action Plan for Albania's pursuit of SDG. Albania has established links between the SDGs and the EU integration goals, including reference to the Albanian National Plan for European Integration (NPEI) 2014–2020 and the acquis chapters of EU accession negotiations. A consultation process, seeking the cooperation and engagement of all stakeholders, including the local government, academia, civil society organisations and the business community, was organised to discuss and validate the Voluntary National Review (VNR):

Process of Voluntary National Review 2018 included:

- Internal consultations for VNR preparation with more than 15 institutions (line ministries & agencies) involved. Five Inter-ministerial Working Group Meetings organised for discussion and validation of VNR.
- Two SDG Committee Meetings, chaired by Deputy Prime Minister, organised with high-level representatives for launching the process and approval of VNR.
- External consultations with more than 60 invited representatives of civil society, academia, businesses, interest groups, etc.
- External consultations held with development partners and donors, and UN Agencies (SDG Task Force).



The linkages between Albania's policy goals and the SDG targets in the national strategies and policy documents show 134 SDG targets (79%) linked to the specific objectives of the national strategic policy framework. This framework is most harmonised with the SDG targets in Goal 3: Good health and well-being, Goal 7: Affordable and clean energy, Goal 8: Good jobs and economic growth, and Goal 9: Industry, innovation and infrastructure, while the least harmonisation is with Goal 14: Life below water.

Coherence between the national vision of NSDI II and the SDG framework is reflected in the relation between the SDG targets and the key objectives of the strategy, including the four strategic policy pillars. Through a UN Rapid Integrated Assessment tool, the level of integration of SDGs into NSDI II and the various sectoral strategies was evaluated in 2016. The assessment shows that of 169 SDG targets, 58 are aligned with the national policy, 72 are partially aligned, 19 are unaligned, and 20 are irrelevant to Albania.

Thus, alignment of the SDG targets in the national policy is at some 60 percent. More recently adopted or revised national strategies include a better perspective from the lens of SDGs in the national priorities, a feature that, under the guidance of DDGG, will be especially prominent in the next strategic planning framework, starting in 2020.

## Relationship between NSDI II pillars and the SDGs framework

### Foundation: Consolidating good governance, democracy and the rule of law - SDG 16

### Pillar 1: Ensuring economic growth through macro-economic and fiscal stability - SDGs 8 and 17

### Pillar 2: Ensuring growth through increased competitiveness and innovation - SDG 9

### Pillar 3: Investing in human capital and social cohesion - SDGs 1–6, 10

### Pillar 4: Ensuring growth through connectivity, sustainable use of resources and

### territorial development- SDGs 7, 9, 11–15

Table 4 Key national targets and SDGs

Sectors	Indicator	Key National Target 2020	SDGs
Anticorruption	Fight against corruption	51.33	SDG 16
Rule of law	Judiciary reform	55.71	SDG 16
Good governance	Governance and Public Administration Reform	63.19	SDG 16
Good governance	Composite indicator as an average of eight indicators	64.33	SDG 16
Fundamental rights	Freedom of press, freedom of media	28.25	SDG 1+10+16
Statistics	Statistics compatibility with European standards	70-80%	SDG 17
Competitiveness	Competitiveness and Innovation 'Doing Business' and 'distance from the border'	67.54	SDG 8+9
Employment	Overall unemployment (15-64 age group) rate in %;rural / urban	60%	SDG 8
Transports	Logistics Performance Indicator	3.21	SDG 9
Local Government	Territorial cooperation	30	SDG 11

European integration	GDP / capital compared to the average of 28 member states in the EU	35%	SDG 8+10+17
Decentralisation	Contribution of local government revenues in GDP (%)	3.90%	SDG 10
Decentralisation	Indicator of local borrowing level	0.50%	SDG 10
Public finances	Economic growth (real) rates	4.3	SDG 8+10+17
Public finances	Level of public debt (as % of GDP)	Below 60%	SDG 10
Public finances	Total revenues level (as % of GDP)	27.30%	SDG 8+10+17
Public finances	Deficit level (as % of GDP)	0.40%	SDG 8+10+18
Energy	Increased collection of liabilities from sale of electricity	93%	SDG 7
Foreign Direct Investments (FDIs)	Increased contribution of FDIs to GDP (% of GDP)	9%	SDG 8
Competitiveness	Export rates to GDP	20%	SDG 8+10+17
Rural development and agriculture	Export to import rates in agriculture	1 (: ) 3	SDG 2
Rural development and agriculture	Increased farm size (in ha)	2.5	SDG 2
Rural development and agriculture	Real economic growth rates in agriculture (%)	5%	SDG 8+10+17+2
Tourism	Increase of tourism contribution rates in GDP	6.10%	SDG 8 + 11 + 12
Energy	% of imported energy versus total energy	65%	SDG 7

A policy area assessment conducted in 2017 indicates that 140 SDG targets (83%) are directly tied to specific components of the NSDI II pillars, covering the same policy areas in Albania. That same report shows the links between Albania's policy goals and the SDG targets in the national strategies and policy documents, identifying 134SDG targets (79%) linked to the specific objectives of the national strategic policy framework.

Albania Government has conducted a three-pronged process to align indicators in its NSDI 2015-2020 with priorities outlined for accession into the European Union (EU), and some of the targets of Goal 16. Indicators identified as part of the EU integration process were automatically included in the NSDI 2015-2020. Three of these were related to anti-corruption under target 1 of Albania's measurement framework, which aims to ensure the economy moves closer to EU standards by 2030.

The institutional responsibilities for implementation of SDGs are identified and the leading institutions are shown in the table below, also indicating the number of relevant SDG targets per each leading institution.

Table 5: Number of SDG targets per institution

Government Institution	Number of SDG targets per institution
Ministry of Health and Social Protection	38
Ministry of Finance and Economy	43
Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy	23
Ministry of Tourism and Environment	30
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	11
Ministry of Education, Sports and Youth	11
Ministry of Interior	8
Ministry of Justice	3
Civil Emergencies Department (Ministry of Defence)	2
Bank of Albania	3
Technical Secretariat, National Committee on Water	5
e-Authority	2
INSTAT	2
Ministry of Culture	1
Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs	1
Civil Society Support Agency	1
National Agency for Scientific Research and Innovation	4
Public Procurement Agency	1

## Key findings

The National Strategy for Development and Integration (NSDI-II) 2015-2020 is the key policy document outlining the development vision for Albania.

- 140 SDG targets (83%) are directly tied to specific components of the NSDI II 2015 –2020 pillars
- 134 SDG targets (79%) are also linked to the specific objectives of the national strategic policy framework

To succeed in implementation of Agenda 2030 and achieve national 2030 vision, Albania must engage in the process of establishing a roadmap for the SDG implementation and the new target for 2030 as this would help in identifying roles and responsibilities of the key institutions and other stakeholders in the process.

As a participatory bottom-up process, implementation of Agenda 2030 calls for the mobilisation of government resources and the full engagement of civil society, the business community, academia, local governments and all development partners. Implementation of SDGs calls for improved institutional capacities not only at the level of central government ministries, but also of local governments, academia, civil society organisations and other stakeholders engaged in the process.

### Challenges in achieving SDGs in Albania

Defining the National Vision for 2030, particularly in the policy areas most relevant for Albania, through the contribution and cooperation of all stakeholders involved in the process is essential to ensure progress in the implementation of Agenda 2030.

Albania would work further to prioritise the SDGs in the national context, based on the identified priorities and the commitments deriving from the European integration process.

To achieve the National Vision 2030 Albania is fully committed to the implementation of Agenda 2030 and a specific roadmap for the process will be prepared and adopted. The Albanian Government would continue to strengthen institutional development at all levels with the goal of successfully achieving the SDGs. Particularly, the improvement of the monitoring mechanisms and processes, and statistical capacities is at the focus of the government. The Albanian Government is fully committed to allocate and utilise the financial means for the achievement of SDGs and is committed to playing an active role, also at the level of Western Balkan region, in advancing the Agenda 2030 at the global level.

## 2.5. CONSULTATIONS WITH KEY PARTNERS

This report is developed in close cooperation and partnership with the Albanian Government. Furthermore, consultations took place with relevant institutions such as the judiciary, local government, civil society, international organisations as well as other donors. The Albanian Government, the relevant institutions, civil society representatives and international and bilateral development partners provided their comments and suggestions to the revision of report.

Table 6: List of key partners

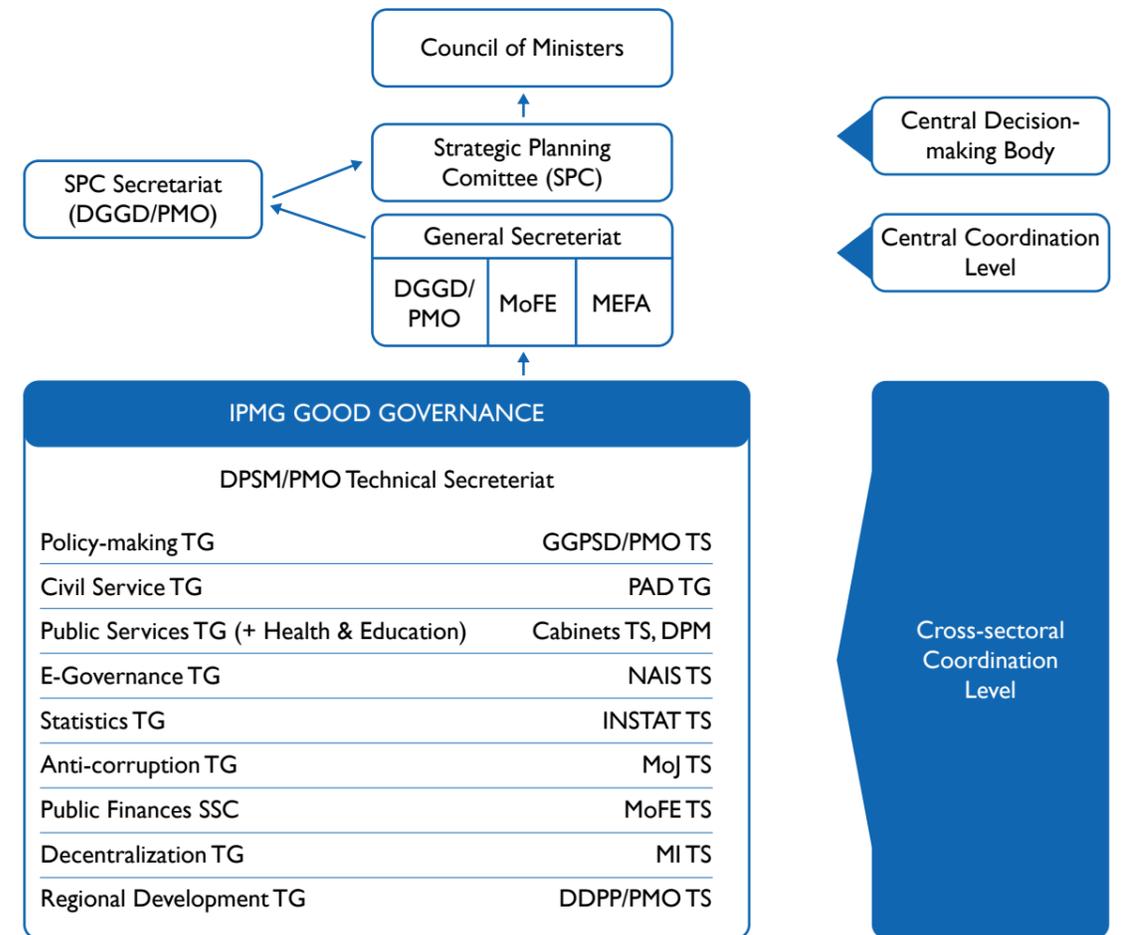
Name	Position / Institution
Florensa Haxhi	Director General of National Development Programmes and Cooperation Prime Minister's Office
Alpina Qirjazi	Department for Development Programming, Financing and Foreign Aid, Prime Minister's Office
Elson Caka	Sector for Managing Economic Development Programmes and Projects
	Directorate of Managing Programmes and Projects for Economic Development and Education
	Directorate – General for Macroeconomic Policies, Fiscal Affairs and Employment Ministry of Finance and Economy
Erjola Muka	Director, Directorate for Development Policies and Priorities Prime Minister's Office
EVA Doda	Directorate – General for Macroeconomic Policies, Fiscal Affairs and Employment Ministry of Finance and Economy
Sonila Muskaj	Expert at the Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs, coordination and supporting of the work with line ministries and central institutions in order to fulfil the obligations in the framework of IPA programme; Responsible for coordination and preparation of sector assessment; Responsible for coordination of the annual programming for regional/ Horizontal Programmes (Multi-country IPA);
Anila Shqypi	Director of Project and Development Programmes at Regional Economic Development Agency
	Ministry of Culture Adviser to the Minister

## Key findings

**Working in partnership with multiple stakeholders:** multi-stakeholder partnerships, between civil society and government in particular, have been useful in advancing the work on identifying and refining relevant information. The involvement of, and coordination between, statistics offices, other government agencies and academics have facilitated efforts to develop an integrated list of projects and institutions involved. This experience suggests that partnerships at all levels – through consultation in local communities, across government, and between government actors and stakeholders in oversight bodies, in civil society and the private sector, is very helpful.

## 2.6. REVIEW OF DONOR COORDINATION MECHANISMS

Albania has established a comprehensive system for policy-making and coordination. The Integrated Planning System (IPS) provides the overall architecture to ensure that government policy planning, budgeting and monitoring are linked and operate efficiently. The IPS is composed of three cornerstones – the national and sector strategies providing guidance to high-level policy making; the European integration process describing the planning and resource requirements to achieve the objectives under the EU integration agenda; and the medium-term budget process detailing the short and medium-term planning and financial arrangements for the delivery of policies by each ministry and government agency.

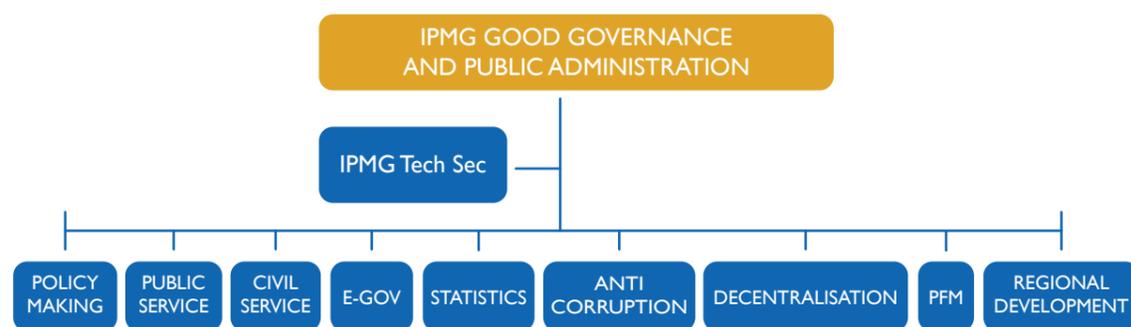


Albanian government includes a Strategic Planning Committee as an inter-ministerial committee chaired by the Prime Minister that reviews and endorses the government's policy and fiscal priorities. This involves: (i) setting the policy priorities and strategic directions within a sound fiscal framework at the beginning of the annual planning process; (ii) deciding on the inter-sector resource allocation (MTBP preparation ceilings) over the medium term, i.e. 3 years; (iii) reviewing the draft MTBP prior to the preparation of the state budget; and (iv) receiving regular reports on progress against key IPS commitments.

The mechanism for dialogue on priorities, planning, coordination and monitoring of the implementation of relevant strategies and action plans is established under the Integrated Policy Management Group (IPMG) Good Governance and Public Administration with dedicated thematic sub-groups.

In 2015 a new Integrated Policy Management Group (IPMG) mechanism was launched in five pilot sectors (competitiveness and innovation, employment and social policies, public administration reform and good governance, public financial management, and integrated water management) and was coordinated by the Prime Minister's Office.

The IPMG is intended to ensure joint cooperation and decision-making at a high political and managerial level and to provide leadership in the follow-up of the coordinated implementation through discussion of periodic progress and monitoring reports; to support regular dialogue and interaction with development and integration partners.



Albania's development and EU integration efforts are supported by over 40 bilateral and multilateral donors. Sector level donor coordination structures functioned in 2017<sup>18</sup> however, the set-up is being reorganised. In September 2017, the responsibility for donor coordination was transferred to the Ministry of Finance and Economy, which takes a proactive role in organising this function and aims at increasing the comprehensiveness of resource allocations concerning the national budget and donors.

The EU Delegation Chairs the Donor Technical Secretariat which encompasses the key donors and development partners of Albania (Austrian Development Agency, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Embassy of Sweden, Embassy of Switzerland, European Union, Council of Europe, EBRD, OSCE, USAID, UN, World Bank) and facilitates the government donor exchange.

A high-level donor-government dialogue is taking place once a year as 'round table' to focus on aid harmonisation, followed by regular operational meetings. In addition to the coordination by the government of Albania, the EU is regularly consulting with other donors, civil society and others (e.g. judiciary), both at the time of preparing the overall strategic approach, as well as for the preparation of annual programmes. IPA assistance to Albania is coordinated and complementary with the European Initiative for Democracy and Human Rights (EIDHR).

The implementation of strategic plans is planned through the medium-term budget programmes which take into account projections for domestic and donor funded resources to implement the strategies. The donor funds are recorded in the external assistance management information system as part of the integrated planning system for strategic planning and related budget programmes.

Following the reorganisation of the central government in September 2017 the sector strategy monitoring and coordination structures are being reorganised to be streamlined with the mandate of the line ministries and other strategic processes related to policy implementation and effective coordination. Some other aspects to be strengthened are: (i) the streamlining and harmonisation of sector strategy monitoring and coordination responsibilities, (ii) the detailing of the business processes to be applied by the entities and staff involved in operating the mechanism, (iii) the human resources requirements, (iv) systematic support to effective inter-institutional coordination and active engagement of civil society and donor and development partners.<sup>18</sup>

## Key findings

Albania's development is supported by over 40 bilateral and multilateral donors. The key donors and development partners of Albania are Austrian Development Agency, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany, Embassy of Sweden, Embassy of Switzerland, European Union, Council of Europe, EBRD, OSCE, USAID, UN, and World Bank.

The overall goal of the **Swiss cooperation strategy in Albania 2018-2021** is to contribute to a functioning democracy, improved public services and an inclusive, competitive market economy in support of Albania's European integration. Development work in Albania focuses on four domains: (i) Democratic Governance, (ii) Economic Development and Employment, (iii) Urban Infrastructure and Energy, and (iv) Health.

**USAID** – "Albania 2011-2018 Country Development Cooperation Strategy" proposes an overarching goal of European integration through strengthened democratic institutions and inclusive economic growth. Two Development Objectives (DOs) support this goal.

DO#1, strengthened rule of law and improved governance: Under this DO, there is a strong focus on strengthening the relationship between the central and local governments in order to improve planning, create the framework for development of a national territorial plan, and assure more efficient and transparent delivery of key public services that touch the daily lives of all citizens, e.g. water, sewerage, energy, and education.

DO#2, conditions created for broadbased, sustainable, and inclusive economic growth: This DO focuses on putting in place those reforms and regulations that will lead to a better business environment, more competitive micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs), and a stronger financial sector.

**Sida's Development Cooperation** with Albania aims to bring the economy closer to the EU membership. The support has three priority areas: improving economic integration, strengthening democracy, and improving the environment and reducing climate impact.

The strategy for 2014-2020 focuses on three results areas: 1) Enhanced economic integration with the EU and development of market economy. This includes efforts to strengthen economic development and increase employment by improving the conditions for small and medium-sized enterprises and by facilitating trade between economies. 2) Strengthened democracy, greater respect for human rights and

<sup>18</sup> <https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhood-enlargement/sites/near/files/20180817-revised-indicative-strategy-paper-2014-2020-for-albania.pdf>

more fully developed state under the rule of law. Efforts are needed to strengthen public administration and the judiciary. Support is also designed to strengthen human rights, civil society, media and gender equality. 3) A better environment and reduced climate impact and enhanced resilience to environmental impact and climate change. The third results area is focused on sustainable community services related to water and sanitation, waste management, energy efficiency and renewable energy.

“Country Partnership Framework (CPF)” sets out the **World Bank Group (WBG) programme for Albania for the period FY15-19**, aimed at supporting Albania’s aspiration to achieve equitable growth and integration into the European Union. The CPF selectively chooses only five of the twelve SCD priorities and builds a programme of support around this subset of priorities on the basis of additional selectivity filters. These five fundamental priorities include: 1) restoring fiscal sustainability and maintaining financial stability; 2) establishing a high-quality business environment; 3) providing clean, efficient, equitable and financially sustainable energy; 4) formalising and enhancing inclusiveness and sustainability of land markets; and 5) enhancing governance, transparency and accountability of government.

The current World Bank Group (WBG) programme in Albania is guided by the “Country Partnership Framework (CPF)” for FY15–19 which provides analysis, advice, and financing in support of equitable growth in Albania and integration into the EU. The CPF, which now enters its final year of implementation, focuses on three main areas:

- restoring macroeconomic balances
- creating conditions for accelerated private sector growth
- strengthening public sector management and service delivery

Around 80 percent of the programme has been delivered, supporting some of the Government’s main priorities, including macroeconomic and fiscal sustainability and competitiveness, as well as governance and accountability in the public services, energy, and water sectors.

**UNDP- “Country Programme Document for Albania (2017-2021)”<sup>19</sup>** outlines four programme pillars: Democratic Governance and Rule of Law; Promoting Social Inclusion and the rights of vulnerable communities; ensuring that young women and men have opportunities and skills; Environment and Climate Change.

Programme priorities are drawn from the United Nations Programme of Cooperation for Sustainable Development 2017–2021, which in turn supports selected objectives of the NSDI for 2015-2020. Programme priorities reflect the comparative advantages of UNDP in supporting national reforms, upholding values of rights and equity and promoting gender equality and women’s empowerment.

**The GoA–UN Programme of Cooperation for Sustainable Development for the period 2017–2021**<sup>20</sup> provides a framework for attaining results that focuses on upstream support and is strategic, forward-looking and fully aligned to Albania’s strategic priorities.

<sup>19</sup> <https://www.al.undp.org/content/albania/en/home/library/country-programme-document-for-albania--2017-2021-.html>

<sup>20</sup> Approved by the Albanian government in October 2016.

The framework builds on the successes of the previous Programme and continues the Delivering-as-One approach. It describes how the government and the UN, drawing on the full range of expertise and resources of the UN system agencies, will work in partnership to achieve development results.

#### GoA - UN Programme 2017-2021 priorities

Priority	Outcome
Governance and Rule of Law	Consolidated democracy in line with international norms and standards
Social cohesion	Health
Education	
Social Protection	
Child Protection	
Gender and social inclusion	
Economic growth, Labour and Agriculture	
Inclusive, sustainable, and gender-responsive	
Focus on competitiveness	
Decent jobs	
Rural development	
Environment and Climate Change	Environmental sustainability
Climate change	
Disaster risk reduction	

# 3. Conclusions and recommendations

Currently, Albania has not yet set long-term public policy priorities for 2030. The establishment of institutional working groups for drafting the strategic document for post-2020 period is currently under way. It is therefore very important to initiate a bottom-up process of **establishing a national vision for the year 2030**, particularly in the policy areas most relevant for Albania.

This process should be based on the contribution and cooperation of all stakeholders involved in the process and must ensure a broad political consensus. The completion of the national strategic framework by the year 2020 provides a good opportunity to combine Vision 2030 with the next strategic planning framework, due to start in the period 2019–2020.

Albania's positive experience with NSDI II and SDGs as reflected in different reports reveals that the key to success in the implementation process is the engagement of all stakeholders at national and local levels, comprising a broad and diverse spectrum of institutions and organisations from central government, local government, business organisations, civil society, academia, development partners, EU, UN agencies and other domestic and donor organisations active in Albania.

Key challenges in this process include:

- More focus-oriented strategies, reduced in numbers
- Efforts to establish a national vision for the year 2030
- Utilisation of SDG indicators (available in Albania)
- Identification of policy gaps and acceleration of action in priority areas
- Prioritisation of SDGs in local context,
- A stronger outcome monitoring framework

## Future needs for sector support

**Component I:** Sector-wide approach programme through good governance principles, including coordination of EU accession process

### 44 **Strengthen the performance: Outlook on Good Governance (horizontal issues).**

- Developing Good Governance Programme based on sector-wide approach (planning and monitoring tools).
- Dedicated support to Technical Secretariat for Good Governance and Public Administration to enforce the analytical tool on the performance-based diagnosis for the **Good Governance Programme**.
- Policy management system & policy harmonisation with the EU & Strategic Planning System – IPS III. Currently, the IPS system is in the phase of automating its main pillars, **consisting in the**

**establishment and operation of three MIS systems, which will function as a one-stop-shop for public policy & finance management**, by the state administration. The three systems are designed as a Single Multi-Beneficiary Integrated System creating the conditions to link planning-budgeting-execution and have information and real-time monitoring of performance.

- **Increase of technical capacities at the central level** (support for system capacity-building users in the area of system management and processes related to IPS System).
- **Support to developing a Public Consultation Roadmap** in order to improve transparency of policy development in the central of governance.
- **Support to the IPMG/ Sector Steering Committee.** Further assistance is required to ensure continuity and smooth operation of IPMGs/SSC structures, technical secretariats and thematic groups in existing sectors and enhance capacities, effectiveness and performance of existing IPMGs.

**Component II:** The performance approach is improved at sectoral level

### **Consolidate Centre of Government Functions – Strengthening of Policy Making**

- **Consolidating Centre of Governance** through evidence-based policymaking on good governance
- Support to the **Regulatory Impact Assessment/ RIA**
- Support to developing **new strategic framework 3/ NSDI 3**

### **Strengthen national/local level by enhancing transparency, accountability and effectiveness of the public administration and PFM, with a greater focus on the needs of citizens and businesses**

- Supporting PFM related reform priorities:
  - Support for **macroeconomic policy** to provide fiscal consolidation and maintain sustainable and prudent fiscal framework
  - Improved good governance principles & **MTBP process at the central and local level**
  - **Effective management of revenue administration**, further strengthening tax administration, broadening the tax base
  - A modern, sound and effective system for public procurement and concessions harmonised with the legal and institutional framework of the acquis and EU standards and good practices
  - Strengthen **public internal financial control** (aimed at successful implementation of modern management practices at all local and central governance institutions)
  - Strengthened **external audit**
- Supporting Anticorruption Policy
  - Strengthening capacities of **Anticorruption Task Force**
  - Strengthening instruments for increasing **accountability and transparency of institutions**
  - Support to transparent government reporting and **integrity plans**

- Strengthening of Local Government administration
  - Strengthening the capacities for the **mechanism of coordination of the decentralisation** process through GTD in order to achieve the results of the Decentralisation Strategy
  - **Investment in Local Government Infrastructure** (Local Self-Government Units) in order to increase the performance of service delivery to the public
  - **Improving local planning and linking it to mid-term budgeting** within the Public Finance Management
  - Strengthening the capacities of local government regarding the **status of fulfilling the responsibilities of the municipalities** within the respective chapters of the European Union integration

### Strengthening governance and interoperability in e-administration

- Strengthening capacities for Community Governance/GC (Governance Community);
  - **Build and enforce the Government Interoperability Platform**, which is the basic architecture that enables the interconnection of electronic registers and the exchange of real-time data in a secure and reliable form as a necessary step to simplify services that the state provides to citizens, businesses and public administration, as well as to reduce the number of documents required from citizens or business to receive public services.
  - **Smart cities/ smart villages**
  - **Ensuring Civil Society e-register**

**Component III:** The programme approach is improved through horizontal interventions

### Strengthening of Good Governance Programme approach

- **Strengthening and streamlining good governance standards and capabilities**
- **Development of Good Governance tools on management** (related to policy and programme support at national and regional level)
- Development of **GoA Experts Platform**
- Strengthening **capabilities for Public Governance**

Annex I: List of national policy documents/programmes/strategies and responsible line ministries/institutions

Annex II. List of ongoing and planned projects post-2020

Annex III: Linkages between key national targets (NSDI 2020 - strategies 2020+ & SDGs)

## Annex I: List of national policy documents/programmes/strategies and responsible line ministries/institutions

Institutions	Policy documents
Ministry of Defence	National Strategy on Small Arms and Light Weapons for the period 2019-2024.
	Long Term Development Plan of the AF 2016-2025 (Law no. 121/2015 dated 12.11.2015)
Ministry of Tourism and Environment	“National Waste Management Strategy 2010-2025 National Waste Management Plan 2010 – 2025 “Document approved by DCM No.175, dated 19.01.2011 Official Bulletin No.36, Page: 1271 “ <a href="http://www.kryeministria.al/al/newsroom/plane-pune-dhe-strategjite/strategjise-kombetare-te-menaxhimit-te-mbetjeve">http://www.kryeministria.al/al/newsroom/plane-pune-dhe-strategjite/strategjise-kombetare-te-menaxhimit-te-mbetjeve</a>
	Albania Tourism Development Strategy 2019-2023 and Action Plan <a href="http://turizmi.gov.al/strategjia-e-turizmit/">http://turizmi.gov.al/strategjia-e-turizmit/</a>
Ministry of Finance and Economy	National Strategy on Migration 2019-2022 <a href="https://www.albinfo.ch/miratohet-strategjia-kombetare-per-geverisjen-e-migracionit/">https://www.albinfo.ch/miratohet-strategjia-kombetare-per-geverisjen-e-migracionit/</a>
	Economic Reform Programme 2019-2021 <a href="http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:50:31.01.2019">http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:50:31.01.2019</a>
	Fiscal Strategy of the Republic of Albania (2020-2022)
Ministry of Justice	Minors Justice Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2021 DCM No. 541, dated 19.9.2018;
	Strategy for Reforms of judiciary system (2017-2021)
Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy	“National Energy Strategy 2018 – 2030 “Document approved by DCM, No. 480, dated: 31.07.2018, Official Speech No.119, Page: 8333 <a href="http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2018/PDF-2018/119-2018.pdf">http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2018/PDF-2018/119-2018.pdf</a>
	Mining Strategy 2010-2025 Approved document/:DCM no. 479, dated 29.06.2011 Official Bulletin No. 109, Page: 4331 <a href="http://www.gsa.gov.al/PDF/Legjislacioni%20Minerar%20i%20Miratuar/10%20VKM%20nr.479_datë_29.06.2011,%20Strategjia_minerare.pdf">http://www.gsa.gov.al/PDF/Legjislacioni%20Minerar%20i%20Miratuar/10%20VKM%20nr.479_datë_29.06.2011,%20Strategjia_minerare.pdf</a>
	National Water Supply and Sewerage Sector Strategy, 2019 – 2030

Ministry of Education Sport and Youth	<p>“National Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation 2017-2023 Document approved by DCM No. 710, dated 1.12.2017 Official Gazette No.215, Page: 11401 <a href="http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:710:01.12.2017">http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:710:01.12.2017</a></p>
Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs	<p>“National Plan for European Integration (2019-2021)</p>
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development	<p>Integrated Water Resources Management Strategy 2018-2027 DCM No.73, dated 07.02.2018 Official Bulletin No. 52, Page: 2973 <a href="http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2018/PDF-2018/52-2018.pdf">http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2018/PDF-2018/52-2018.pdf</a></p>
The State Minister for Diaspora	<p>National Diaspora Strategy 2018-2024 and Action Plan <a href="http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:259:09.05.2018">http://80.78.70.231/pls/kuv/f?p=201:Vendim%20i%20KM:259:09.05.2018</a></p>
National Territorial Planning Agency	<p>General National Territory Plan 2030 <a href="http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2016/PDF-2016/248-2016.pdf">http://www.qbz.gov.al/botime/fletore_zyrtare/2016/PDF-2016/248-2016.pdf</a> PINS_Tirane_Durres_ Albanian National Land Consolidation Strategy 2016-2028</p>
Technical Secretariat of the National Water Council.	<p>National Strategy on Integrated Water Resource Management 2018-2027 The National Sector Program 2018 - 2030 (NSP)</p>

## Annex II: List of ongoing and planned project post- 2020

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Culture	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Culture	CARDS Regional	1. Restoration and Conservation of the Monastery of St. Mary in the archaeological Park of Apollonia (works and supervision) 2. Improvement of park landscaping – Co-financing contribution	780,000	Ongoing
Civil Society	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Czech Republic	Objective: The enhancement of the playground and recreative area in Str. Jusuf Vriani, Tirana	7,400	Planned
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Denmark	The programme aims to increase the competitiveness of the rural economy in disadvantaged mountain regions by increasing employment and income generation. It will focus on four main areas of action: - Increasing investment and helping the target group make better use of existing funding opportunities. - Promoting entrepreneurial activity and helping to align this activity more closely with market demand and market requirements. - Removing existing obstacles within the value added chains. - Improving the business climate on the level by creating a more enabling environment for economic activity.	10,600,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	World Bank	Co-financed by Swiss Agency for Dev. & Coop. The development objectives of the projects are to : (i) contribute to safe guarding the major hydroelectric plants of Albania; and (ii) improve their Europerational efficiency and enhance the stability of power su	51,210,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	World Bank	The proposed Water Sector Investment Project would have several key objectives: (a) To address the acute shortage of water supply to Durres City and surrounding areas, particularly during critical summer tourist months when duration of water supply can dip as low as 4 hours per day; (b) To facilitate the efficient management and Europeration of Durres Water Utility based on a sound business plan and specific agreed performance targets (c) To reduce, over time, the requirement for Europerational subsidies of Durres Water Utility, in line with the Government of Albania's newly adopted Water and Sanitation Sector Strategy (d) To ensure effective wastewater network system Europeration serving Durres and surrounding community through upgrading of existing networks, extensions to underserved areas, and Europerational connection to the newly constructed Wastewater Treatment Plant.	76,770,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	World Bank	The Project Development Objective (PDO) of the proposed project is to improve the quality of water services delivery through the rehabilitation of reservoirs and irrigation and drainage facilities; support for irrigation services providers in project areas, including WUA/Os and Drainage Boards (DBs); and strengthening of institutions responsible for IWRM.	36,000,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	World Bank	The objective of Social Assistance Modernization Project for Albania it to support the implementation of reforms to improve the equity and efficiency of its social assistance programs. Components 1 - Strengthening the implementation and performance of social assistance programs to support improved implementation of both the (NE) program and disability assistance benefits. Roadmap for reforms: (a) program parameters (eligibility criteria and intake processes); (b) benefits administration (business processes, management of information, and payments mechanisms, and reporting and monitoring); and (c) oversight and controls. Component 2 - Technical assistance to strengthen implementation capacity for social assistance programs including some investment activities	45,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	World Bank	The project objective is to improve reliability of power supply and financial viability of the power sector	112,100,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	World Bank	Road safety and maintenance	72,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	World Bank	New Health Project	36,000,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Environment	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	World Bank	Component 1 - Strengthening institutional capacity to build a stable institutional environment that facilitates sustainable upland use management to maximize the provision of the different environmental services. Component 2 - Planning and provision of instrument for pre-accession assistance for rural development (IPARD) like grants. Component 3 - Introducing payment for environmental services. Component 4 - Supporting project implementation	9,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	World Bank	Financial Sector DPL (\$100 mln)	81,496,641	completed
Minister of Innovation and Public Administration	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	World Bank	Mbeshtetja e iniciativës së ndërmarrë nga qeveria për krijimin "Public Service Mall" me BE dhe Bankën Botërore (buxheti indikativ kredi 20-30mln USD)	28,800,000	Ongoing
ASIG	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Information and Communication Technology	World Bank	Enable the implementation of an ILM Program to deliver sustainable land management across Albania Create a National Land Policy framework and sub-sector land management strategies Determining and implementing sustainable land policies. Create an effective institutional framework & leadership and support the harmonization of the legal and regulatory framework related to the land sector and land information	36,004,500	Planned
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	World Bank	Objective: to strengthen the resiliency of the financial sector, the deposit insurance framework, and regulation and supervision of non-banks	96,012,000	Planned

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Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	World Bank	Objective: to enhance Albania's competitiveness through improving the investment regime, facilitating trade, and making it easier to do business	67,208,400	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	World Bank	Transport Reform	96,012,000	Indicative
Multi-Beneficiary		other	Multi-sector	World Bank	Financime me 2017-2020	216,000,000	Indicative
Ministry of Urban Development	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	World Bank	Objective: to improve urban infrastructure, enhance cultural assets, and strengthen institutional capacity to support tourism-based local economic development in selected areas in the south of Albania	57,672,000	Planned
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Japan	Rural Industry Promotion through developing management and marketing skills in agricultural fields, for local resources, one village one product movement etc.	17,843	ongoing
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Japan	The objective is to strengthen MEFWA's capacity in terms of 3R policy development as well as providing support for local governments in order to implement the National Waste Management Strategy and Action Plan in Albania	2,412,044	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Japan	Improvement of the operation, administration and management of the sewage system in Tirana	73,843,440	ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EIB	The Project concerns the design, supervision and works for the construction of a new ferry terminal and ancillary works on the site of the existing ferry terminal in the Port of Durrës, and including technical assistance to the Project Implementation Unit.	18,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EIB	The project involves the construction of a 19.5km bypass expressway between the northern entrance of Fier and Levan in the South, which will reduce traffic congestion in Fier by bypassing the city.	35,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EIB	Vlora Bypass	18,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Education and Sports	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	CEB	The project consists in: 1) Strengthen Management, Leadership and Governance 2) Improving conditions for teaching and learning 3) Improving and rationalizing education infrastructure 4) Setting the stage for higher education reform	14,000,000	ongoing
Municipality of Tirana	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	CEB	The 2nd Phase project will cover the following components: construction of 3 new schools and reconstruction of 7, furniture for these 10 schools, installation of central heating system with solar component in 30 schools, IT, labs and foreign language equipment. Design, supervision and operating activities.	7,300,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	CEB	Completion of works on the main building, Approval envisioned for 2011	15,930,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Albanian Development Fund		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	CEB	Community Works IV	28,700,000	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Austria	Small project initiatives	810,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Austria	In the form of the platform for co-operation called THEMIS Network, this project is the follow-up of a successful ADC intervention and aims at strengthening regional co-operation via developed environmental law enforcement mechanisms targeting the environment and justice sectors, in line with the EU Accession process. The services proposed are tailored to the priorities of the beneficiaries, as reflected in the Multi-Annual Work Programme for 2014-2016.	175,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Austria	The Regional Resource Centre for Child Protection (RRC) aims at developing a strong regional community of practices and innovations in South East Europe (SEE), among stakeholders who are contributing directly to the development and delivery of child protection services (professionals, academics, decision makers, experts, users).	130,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Austria	This business partnership aims to develop and implement a dual vocational education in the textile industry in Albania.	200,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Austria	Overall objective of the project is to improve the access to the labor market for women and youth to alleviate poverty and to contribute to gender equality.	237,510	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Austria	To improve gender equality and decrease interpersonal and gendered violence with in Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania and Kosovo* society. To increase the uptake of healthy, non-violent and gender equitable lifestyles amongst boys and men (and girls and women) participating in the program.	212,500	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Austria	The objective of this project is the reduction of environment and security risks, and an increased cooperation on environment and security issues both between and within economies. It will cover Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, F.Y.R Macedonia, Kosovo*, Montenegro, and Serbia in the SEE region and Moldova and Ukraine in the Dniester River Basin. The beneficiaries include policy and decision-makers as well as experts of relevant Ministries, local government, agencies and civil society	162,500	Ongoing
Ministry of Education and Sports	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Austria	This is part of the ICT support package of 40 miln Euro. Modernisation of the Education System in Albania	3,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Austria	Develop E-Government in Health. This is part of the ICT support package of 40 miln Euro.	13,995,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Austria	Sewage System in Bilisht	2,998,856	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Austria	Water Supply in Peshkopia	4,000,000	Ongoing

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Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
State Minister for Parliament		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	media and civil society	Austria	With the OSCE Presence's focus of working towards more responsive institutions, a survey on the current practices and arrangements for MPs' relations with citizens was conducted at the end of 2013. This was the first stage of providing support to the establishment of constituency offices for MPs at the local level. The proposed project foresees to facilitate the outreach of the Assembly Members to the communities through establishment of the Regional Parliamentary Constituency Offices (RPCO) in Korca and Shkodra. With a special focus on engaging youth from the two areas, this project will offer the opportunity for youth to have access to more information on policies and legislative process.	50,042	Ongoing
Council of Ministers	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Austria	Regional Development Programme II	1,800,000	ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Austria	Support of Vocational education in the field of tourism	840,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Austria	Asset Valuation Project	1,000,000	Planned
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	Austria	Improvement of the efficiency of proceedings in all district courts in Albania.	231,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Austria	The project aims to sustainably improve the living conditions of 160 families and vulnerable children in the municipalities of Fier, Korca, Lezha and Shkodra in Albania, to prevent their engagement in unsafe migration and to facilitate the reintegration of those returning from migration by improving their access to quality social services, including education, vocational and income generating opportunities	472,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Austria	Support to the Government of Albania for implementing the EU Gender Equality acquis	208,800	Ongoing
Ministry of Education and Sports	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Austria	The project aims to strengthen education, capacity building and awareness raising on the new Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in SEE economies by incorporating them into national school curricula and by means of regional co-operation and networking among decision makers, educators and teachers.	200,000	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	Austria	Increasing the capacities of the administration at local, regional and national level in the economies of Western Balkans	128,571	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	Austria	The project aims to take measures to combat corruption and organised crime and strengthen an effective, stable administration and rule of law by ensuring that the voice of civil society is heard	142,857	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Austria	Integrated Water Resource Management	1,300,000	Planned

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Italy	This component covers the construction of the arterial road Lushnje-Fier and works supervision of the two contiguous roads Lushnje-Fier and Fier- Vlore	24,350,000	pending
Civil Society	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Italy	Grant component of the SME's project, consisting in: 1. Institutional building for the main stakeholders working in the field 2. Training and technical assistance for the implementation of the credit	3,192,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Italy	Project design for works necessary for the enlargement and security of Sharra dumping site; provision of equipment for dumping management and solid waste collection; training and capacity building.	6,000,000	ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Italy	Technical assistance to METE; construction of 3 sub-stations (Tirana 2, Tirana Centre and Sauk); rehabilitation of Pogradc sub-station	41,528,041	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Italy	The objective is the improvement of water service for Tirana city and neighbouring municipalities through increasing Tirana Water Company efficiency, cash flow and water/sewage network rehabilitation.	27,475,507	pending
Ministry of Finance	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	Italy	The financial resources available under the debt swap agreement shall be used for projects in the social development sector, notably in education, health and employment generation. Protocol of CoEuropean 2010-2012	20,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Italy	Establishment of Euro-operational tool to support coordination and collaboration among the Italian CoEuroperation in Albania, the EU Delegation to Albania and the competent Albanian authorities, in order to promote the Italian CoEuroperation as the authority delegated to the management of initiatives financed by IPA funds in the field of agriculture and rural development.	654,000	Ongoing
Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	Providing quality education to Albanian children with special educational needs, through the access to childhood and primary education in 6 regions.	754,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Creation of a subsidized insurance scheme in agriculture against adverse weather conditions and natural disasters.	2,000,000	Ongoing
Civil Society	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Improve of socio-economic conditions in the districts of Malesia e Madhe and Permet, through the exploitation of local resources, the improvement of productive activities and the strengthening of agro-touristic offer.	3,192,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Italy	The programme aims at underpinning the effort of Albanian Government for the development of the private sector in Albania through: (a) the establishment of an SME Credit Line to be disbursed by the local Albanian banking system for approx 25 million euro.	27,500,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Italy	The second phase of the programme aims at underpinning the effort of Albanian Government for the development of the private sector in Albania through: (a) an SME Credit Line to be disbursed by the local Albanian banking system for approx 11 million euro; 2.5 mln euro for the guarantee fund and 1.5 mln euro for technical assistance.	15,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Italy	Grant component of the SME's project, consisting in: 1. Institutional building for the main stakeholders working in the field 2. Training and technical assistance for the implementation of the credit	1,756,300	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Italy	Consultancy services for the design of new roads	2,100,000	Ongoing
Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	Italy	Technical assistance to the Albanian Government in the formulation and implementation of the National Strategy for Development and Integration 2013-2020, with particular reference to private sector, agriculture and social development.	250,000	Ongoing
Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	Italy	Promoting employment and business creation for young people and adults, through training courses, work-experiences and grants for the start-up.	537,699	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Italy	The project aims to provide quality care to patients with multiple trauma at the National Trauma Centre through the supply of equipments, maintenance materials and professional training.	5,000,000	Planned

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Italy	Providing TA for supporting the implementation of the project "Rehabilitation of the National Trauma Centre "	150,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Italy	Improvement of secondary health services in 5 policlinics (n.2 and n.3 in Tirana, Korça, Peshkopi and Gjirokaster) in terms of access and quality of the services provided. Rehabilitation works and equipment supply.	5,080,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Italy	This component covers the construction and supervision of works of Valona port. The primary objectives are to develop the Ferry Terminal and to facilitate the movement of passengers and cargos between Vlore and the whole Albania in general.	15,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Assistance to the MAFCP and ARDA in setting up the Integrated Administrative and Control System and its components.	5,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Italy	Works and engineering services for the reconstruction of high, medium, low voltage electric lines in Himare, Dhermi, Orikum (south Albania).	17,929,059	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Italy	The objective is the improvement of water service for Tirana city and neighbouring municipalities through increasing Tirana Water Company efficiency, cash flow and water/sewage network rehabilitation.	10,766,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Italy	Technical Assistance to the Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure for the management of the programmes regarding transports and infrastructures financed by the Italian Development Co-operation.	1,614,900	Ongoing

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Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Italy	Technical assistance to the implementation of 2010-2012 Bilateral Protocol	356,200	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Italy	The Project aims to protect children from trafficking, exploitation and irregular migration in the municipalities of Tirana, Durrës, Elbasan, Fier and Shkodër.	74,900	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Improvement of the Albanian olive oil sector through the support of legal, technical and financial instruments.	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Education and Sports	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	This initiative aims at the setting of European standards for Albanian University education and research, through the fulfilment of the objectives of the Stability Pact for the socio-economic and cultural development of the economy.	4,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Italy	The objective of the Project is to improve the quality of life of the population in the suburb areas through the reorganization of the quarters and providing basic infrastructures (roads, water, public lighting system, green areas).	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Italy	The programme, implemented by EBRD, aims at supporting women entrepreneurship in the western Balkans through an integrated approach which provides financial facilities and advisory assistance to the Women in Business.	400,000	Ongoing
Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Italy	Improvement of the prevention, anti-trafficking and anti-discrimination policies in Scutari, Elbasan and Valona through: i) continuous support to the local institutions for implementing gender policies; ii) support the local NGOs for implementing women empowerment actions.	836,996	Ongoing

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	The projects intends to Europerate in the agro-food industry through actions designed to raise food safety standards in Albania, while aligning them with EurEuropean Union rules.	447,020	planned
Ministry of Innovation and Public Administration	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	Italy	To support the constitution of 4 pilot Citizen Service Centers capable to offer 24 different public services to the citizens.	1,139,325	Ongoing
Presidency of the Council of Ministers of Albania		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Italy	Contribute to the alignment of the Albanian national and sectoral strategies to the EU policies through Technical Assistance and institutional capacity development in the priority pillars of the Italian Development CoEuroperation in Albania.	620,000	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Anti-corruption	Italy	The project, implemented by OSCE, intends to decrease the corruption practices in Albania by working in three main pillars: improve capacities of public administration in central and local level; raise awareness of the public and in particular of the youth and increase the commitment of business community in the anti-corruption efforts.	290,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	Italy	The financial resources available under the debt swap agreement shall be used for projects in the social development sector. Protocol of CoEuroperation 2014-2016	20,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Italy	Establishment of a multi-functional centre of excellence in the agri-industrial sector in the Fier Region.	5,000,000	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Italy	Support the strengthening of the territorial and administrative reform in Albania.	1,200,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Education and Sports	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	Legal and administrative support to the High Education Reform in Albania (preparation of secondary acts and assistance to the scientific research national strategy).	200,000	Ongoing

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Civil Society		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Promote renewable energy in Lezha, through the delivery of trainings and the realization of a photovoltaic installation in the Lezha Hospital.	584,273	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Improve conditions of rural families of the Northern Albania involved in the livestock farming and the organic agriculture, in the municipalities of Puka, Fushe Arrez, Vau i Dejes and Lezhe. Focus on the role of women in the rural economy.	1,250,000	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	Improve access to pre-school education in Korca and Elbasan	580,041	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Promote tourist services in Gjirokastra and Berat regions, through trainings, micro-credit and sub-granting schemes.	1,195,133	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	Improve diagnosis, education and working inclusion of hearing impaired people, with the utilization of new prosthesis and ITC educational tools.	851,592	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Italy	Promote local development of the Divjaka area, through the creation of a urban lab, trainings and participatory planning activities.	693,700	Planned
Civil Society		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Italy	Improve living condition and social inclusion of the orphans in Shkodra.	867,316	Planned

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Ministry of Finance		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	Italy	Contribution to the adoption and implementation of the Automatic Exchange of Information (AEOI) on financial accounts for tax purposes, according to the common reporting standard (CRS).	217,367	planned
Office of the Prime Minister		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Italy	Facility for the implementation of the country programme of the Italian Agency for Development Co-operation in Albania through capacity development in the priority pillars	1,200,000	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2009 IPA 2011	WATER SEWERAGE - 1. Preparation of Design and Tender documents for Vlora and Ksamil; 2. Supervision of construction in Vlora, Ksamil, Kavaja and Shengjin; 3. Construction of Sewerage systems in Vlora, Ksamil, Kavaja and Shengjin.	17,216,227	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2009	WATER SEWERAGE - Construction of water and sewerage systems in Kamza including supervision (Implemented by CEB)	5,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2009 IPA 2010	Original project under IPA 2008 (255-963)+ Amendment: IPA 2010 - Contract 2013/313-098[ as addendum no. 2 to the initial works contract 2010/255-963	4,031,986	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	IPA 2010	Improving the capacity of labour market institutions, mainly the State Labour Inspectorate and the National Employment Service and promoting employment by enhancing the employability of Albanian workforce.	3,000,000	Ongoing

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Albanian Development Fund	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2009	Implementing Agency: (CEB) in partnership with KfW through the Municipality Window Facility (total value of the project 49,000,000). Improvement of secondary and local roads along the secondary network in rural areas of Albania as to facilitate access to essential services and economic markets, in the form of reduced user costs, for the resident population in rural areas in Albania. A specific part of the project will be dedicated for the reconstruction of damaged roads due to the severe floods beginning of 2010 and following a request from the Albanian government.	9,000,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2010	An additional fund will be provided by EBRD and EIB (100,000,000 Euro). A grant of EUR 4,000,000 provided by the WBIF to cover the consultancy services related to the project. Improvement of secondary and local roads along the secondary network in rural areas of Albania as to facilitate access to essential services and economic markets, in the form of reduced user costs, for the resident population in rural areas in Albania. A specific part of the project will be dedicated for the reconstruction of damaged roads due to the severe floods beginning of 2010 and following a request from the Albanian government.	20,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2010	Improvement of water sector management/efficiency of water services providing at central and local levels. Improved living conditions for the population in provisionally selected municipalities (Velipoje, Lushnje, Berat/Kuçove, Fier, Saranda, Elbasan and Korca) by sustainable water supply and improved sewage disposal situation.	26,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2011	Agriculture and Sustainable Rural Development 1 – Increased capacity of and economic benefits to farmers and agro-businesses Indicators 2 – Capacity of advisory and consultancy services to deliver adequate information and advice on agriculture and rural development enhanced 3 – Grant scheme implemented in line with IPARD-like procedures 4 – Consolidation and preparedness of Operating Structure to manage IPARD programme (Implemented by GIZ; Contract Ref. IPA/2012/295-403; Action Ref. IPA/2011/023-035)	10,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	IPA 2011 & IPA 2013	Building of 3 VET Schools: Durrës, Lezha and Fier, Albania: Contracts: 1) Works for Construction and rehabilitation of 3 VET schools (EUR 2,621,731); (Contract Ref. IPA/2013/316-755; Action Ref. IPA/2011/023-035); 2) Supervision of works for construction/rehabilitation of 3 VET Schools: Lezha, Durrës and Fier (EUR 46,990). (Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/365-173; Action Ref. IPA/2013/024-190); & 3) Addendum of Contract IPA/2013/316-755. Works for Construction and rehabilitation of 3 VET schools: Durrës, Lezha and Fier, Albania (EUR 257,837) Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/357-554; Action Ref. IPA/2013/024-190)	2,926,558	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2011	Building Shkodra prison & pre-trial detention Centre (capacity 600 prisoners+120 pre-detainees) WORKS+ supervision	15,368,056	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2011	Development of the Customs Laboratory: 1. Supply of equipment for the National Customs Laboratory; 2. Supply contract (National Contribution): Delivery, installation, commissioning and testing of: Articles needed for the samples storage room.	1,500,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2011	About 70 km of rural roads are expected to be reconstructed from the financial contribution of IPA 2011 programme and about 600 km are expected to be reconstructed by the financial contribution of the EBRD and EIB and IPA 2010 funds.	14,500,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2011	Construction of Vlova By-Pass (implemented through EBRD). The project involves co-financing, with EBRD and EIB, of the construction of a 29km bypass in Vlova. The EU have provided grant funds for the preparation of the detailed design and works supervision. The works are co-financed with EBRD, EIB and EU IPA grants. The Executing Agency is the Albanian Road Authority ("ARA") within MTI. Two contracts: 1. IPA 2011 - Construction of Vlova Bypass (EUR 17 M) Contract Ref.: IPA/2012/308-836; Action Ref.: IPA/2011/023-035); + 2. Supervision of works for construction of Vlova Bypass (EUR 2.5 M; Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/332-025; Action Ref.: IPA/2011/023-035)	19,365,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2011	Second 3rd phase of constructing Velipoja Sewerage Systems	10,500,000	Ongoing
Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2012	Participation of the Government of Albania in the Union Programmes. Activity 1. Co-finance the participation of the beneficiary in the selected Union Programmes (FP7, CIPEIP, Culture and Customs 2013); (Action Reference: IPA/2012/023-036)	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of European Integration		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2012	Participation of the Government of Albania in the Union Programmes. Activity 2: Technical assistance (to MEI and other stakeholders) for participation in Union Programmes (Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/369-533); (Action Reference: IPA/2012/023-036)	477,750	Ongoing

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Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	IPA 2009 & IPA 2012	Support to the Albanian State Police: Activity 1: PAMECA IV including Integrated Border Management (IBM), General Patrol and Traffic Policing, Organised crime, Serious Crimes and anti-corruption, Human Resources; (JHA Sector Fiche: Activity 1) – (1) IPA 2009 EUR 1 M + IPA 2012 EUR 4 M (Action Ref.: IPA/2009/021-642; Contract Ref. IPA/2013/316-739 + Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref. IPA/2013/316-763)	3,999,629	ongoing
Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	IPA 2012	Support to the Albanian State Police: - Activity 3: Improved infrastructure (works and supervision) & Training and Increased performance of RENE A forces (1) Construction - Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/369-285; + (2) Supervision - Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/369-173;	2,371,930	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2012	Project: Support to the implementation of the Justice Reform - Activity 1: Strengthen Justice system efficiency and quality of court administration and case management. - Direct agreement with the Council of Europe CEPEJ. Roll out of CEPEJ methods and tools in all Albanian courts. (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-036 & Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/330-485)	1,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2012	<p>Project: Support to the implementation of the Justice Reform - Activity 2: Sub-activity 2.1 Strengthen institutional capacities; Enhance administrative capacities of the Ministry of Justice; • Improve internal legal, organisational and institutional set up of the Chamber of private bailiffs; • Support sound budget analysis and planning; • Develop relevant manual for internal and external regulations; Sub-activity 2.2 Strengthen professionalism of enforcement agents and other relevant actors: • Develop curricula and conduct initial and transitional trainings for enforcement agents along European standards; • Develop curricula and organise joint-trainings of judges, public prosecutors and enforcement agents and other relevant actors along European standards; • Develop training strategy and relevant training materials. Sub-activity 2.3. Improve efficiency and performance: • Enhance development of the new enforcement system and support activities of the chamber in the regions; • Develop and roll out relevant monitoring, control and inspection mechanisms, including better implementation of ALBIS system and checklist of control; • Support the implementation of ethical codes based on European standards; • Preparing and implement a visibility strategy including the development of a webpage for the Chamber of private bailiffs; • Support the improvement of statistics gathering and performance indicators, also via the ALBIS system. Main beneficiary: Ministry of Justice, Private Bailiff Chamber, State Bailiff, Secondary beneficiaries: judges, prosecutors, lawyers, banks. (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-036 &amp; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/357-426)</p>	688,245	Ongoing

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Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2012	<p>Project: Support to the implementation of the Justice Reform - Activity 3: Support to the development of Alternative Dispute Resolution in Albania: Developing ADR mechanisms along European standards and best EU practices: • Gap assessment and analyses of priorities; • Drafting of plan for strategic development; • Support development and implementation or relevant sub-legal acts. • Support regional development and opening of new offices and further roll out of courtconnected mediation centres. • Strengthening chambers functioning (prepare /review internal regulation) • Improve inter-institutional cooperation (with courts, prosecution, probation services, etc.); • Arise awareness and promote use of mediation and arbitration; • Strengthen institutional monitoring and control capacities; • Develop adequate training capacities including training plans and curricula; • Drafting and adoption of code of conducts and support to its implementation; • Set up of inspection mechanisms; • Development of standardized documents; • Improve case management and statistic gathering. (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/365-534)</p>	700,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Interior	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Integrated border management	IPA 2012 & IPA 2013	Construction of the Border Crossing Points in Hani Hotit Shkodër, according to EU standards, related to points of the first category: 1) Reconstruction of Hani i Hotit Border Crossing Point (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/365-005); 2) Supervision of Works for the reconstruction of Hani i Hotit Border Crossing Point (BCP) (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-036 & IPA/2013/024-193); Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/366-625 + IPA/2015/366-468)	1,864,881	Ongoing
Ministry of Interior	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Integrated border management	IPA 2012 & IPA 2013	Construction of the Border Crossing Points: 1) Works for Construction of road Grabom – BCP with Montenegro (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-037 + IPA/2013/024-193); Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/363-326 + IPA/2015/363-619); 2) Supervision of works for Construction of road Grabom – BCP with Montenegro (Action Ref.: IPA/2013/024-193; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/363-869)	912,014	Ongoing
Ministry of Interior	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Integrated border management	IPA 2012 & IPA 2013	Construction of the Border Crossing Points: 1) Construction of the road Shishtavec – BCP and Internal roads in Shishtavec (EUR 540,000+35,539) (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-039 + IPA/2013/024-194); Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/366-824 + IPA/2015/367-009); 2) Supervision of Works for the construction of Shishtavec road to BCP and internal streets of Shishtavec (EUR 109140) (Action Ref.: IPA/2013/024-194; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/368-917)	684,679	Ongoing

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Ministry of Interior	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Integrated border management	IPA 2012	Construction of the Border Crossing Points: Construction of the Border Crossing Point in Morina, Kukes, according to EU standards, related to points of the first category	1,047,670	Ongoing
Minister of Innovation and Public Administration	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	IPA 2012	Contract I.1 –Twinning Contract: • Implementation of the Civil Service Law • Implementation of the Law on Administrative Procedures. • Strengthening the capacities of Civil Service Contract I.2 - Service contract (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/358-656)	1,800,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Pillar 1: Growth through Macroeconomic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2012	• Customs legislation and procedures related to interoperability of IT systems with the EU – NCTS (New Computerised Transit System) • Enforcement and Intelligence of Customs Transit (Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/370-523)	1,800,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Pillar 1: Growth through Macroeconomic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2012	In order to perform their duties and responsibilities the Albanian Customs Anti-Contraband Directorate was equipped with specialised mobile position controls (MPCs) vehicles supplied with the specific devices. These vehicles, using advanced equipment, are capable to establish autonomous and effective points of controlling documents and goods. (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/351-988)	696,400	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Culture	IPA 2012	Preparation of the Design Project and Tender Dossier regarding the Restoration of Historical Heritage Sites, Elbasan, Berat, Vlora, Burrel, Kruja and Shkodra (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190)	204,850	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2012	<p>Sub-activity 1.1.1: At MTI level:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisting in the review and drafting of new legislation / regulation for all transport modes the basis of relevant EU Acquis;</li> <li>Assisting in the establishment of a single national transport sector accident and incident investigation body, based on the existing Air accident/incident Investigation Authority, established in 2011.</li> </ul> <p>Sub-activity 1.1.2: Rail Transport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support for the establishment of the Railway Administration with responsibility for railway regulation and safety;</li> <li>Support for the restructuring of the Albanian Railways with separation of infrastructure and operations in accordance with the railway Acquis.</li> </ul> <p>Sub-activity 1.1.3: Maritime Transport:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support to the Maritime Administration in the development and introduction of improved practices and procedures for maritime safety, security and environment protection;</li> <li>Support to the Maritime Administration in the development and implementation of measures to improve standards and level of performance for Albanian flag, in order to reduce detention rate of Albanian ships according to Paris MoU. (Action Reference: IPA2012/023-036); Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/334-928</li> </ul>	1,410,500	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2012	<p>Twinning contract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sub-activity 2.1.1. To develop proposals for upgrading the regulatory legislation and technical procedures in compliance with EU latest standards;</li> <li>Sub-activity 2.1.2. To assist the ACAA staff in order to identify and to review all the technical guidance documents in accordance with EU latest standards;</li> <li>Sub-activity 2.1.3. To assist ACAA to review the Agency's organizational structure and establish procedures in line with applicable EU standards;</li> <li>Sub-activity 2.1.4. To develop and deliver training plans and on-the-job training regarding the discharge of oversight/licensing/certification activities. (Action Reference: IPA2012/023-036); Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/337-807</li> </ul>	800,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2012	<p>Project: Construction of Rrogozhina bypass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity 1: Construction works</li> </ul> <p>Contract 1.1: Construction works for Rrogozhina Bypass - EU contribution (Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/332-861);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity 2: Supervision of Works</li> </ul> <p>Contract 2.1: Supervision of Works for Rrogozhina Bypass. (Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/334-810)</p>	6,187,156	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2012	<p>Activity 1: Construction of Sewerage System and Wastewater Treatment Plant in Vlora</p> <p>Activity 3: Supply contract/s (National contribution)</p> <p>Activity 2: Consultancy Services for works supervision</p>	18,500,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2012 & IPA 2013	Activity 1: Assist the Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration and its agencies involved in animal and consumer health protection. Activity 2: Construction of the central veterinary laboratory. Activity 3: Supply of the vaccines and diagnostic reagents. (Action Ref. IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/330-694) + Addendum No 5 to contract 2013/330-694 through Contract Ref.: IPA/2017/383-122; Action Ref.: IPA/2013/024-190)	2,707,642	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2012	Implemented through KfW: ACTIVITY 1: CONTRACT 1.1 CAPACITY BUILDING • Institutional set up for insuring the functionality of the use of Guarantee fund, including the legal framework ACTIVITY 2: CONTRACT 2.1 GUARANTEE FUND • Rural Credit Guarantee fund set up and operational to proper function in order to guarantee the banks which deliver rural credits to farmers ACTIVITY 3: CONTRACT 3.1 CREDIT LINE TO SUPPORT RURAL GRANTS GIVEN TO FARMERS • Access to rural credit facilitated and the number of rural credits issued to farmers increased (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2013/322-183)	5,000,000	Ongoing

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Albanian Development Fund	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	IPA 2012	Project Fiche: Improving local public social services and infrastructures for vulnerable groups in the peri-urban areas of Tirana and Durrës: Activity 1: Contract 1 - Construction of educational and social infrastructure for local communities in Tirana and Durrës (Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/350-587); Contract 2 - Works for rehabilitation of urban infrastructure in Tirana and Durres Municipalities. (Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/351-587); Activity 2: Contract - Supervision of the construction of educational, social and transport infrastructure for local communities in Tirana and Durrës (Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/346-735);	5,019,986	Ongoing
Multi-Beneficiary	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	IPA 2012	Project Fiche: Improving local public social services and infrastructures for vulnerable groups in the peri-urban areas of Tirana and Durrës - Activity 3: TA to the Community Centre - Establish and enable the MFCC, to be constructed under activity 1, to function successfully, and on a sustainable basis, technical assistance will be provided through a grant to a non-governmental organisation with substantial experience in the area. Experts recruited by the NGO would support the Municipality of Tirana to: • 3.1.1 establish a detailed management concept and structures for the MFCC; • 3.1.2 develop a long-term action plan for social activities. • 3.1.3 deliver training to a group of local staff – both at Tirana Municipality, and the local community, who can gradually take over the management of the MFCC, and ensure its sustainable functioning after project activities have ended. (Action Ref.: IPA/2012/023-036; Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/370-858)	89,943	Ongoing

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2012	Flood prevention disaster - Component I: The programme is composed of three main components. The first component, implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), aims to restore key flood protection infrastructure, to ensure protection of agricultural land and livelihoods and enable the resumption of economic activities and agricultural production in the identified priority regions of Vloera, Fier, Gjirokastra, Berat and Korca. This component also includes capacity building and awareness among local authorities about social impacts of disasters on vulnerable categories and works to strengthen their preparedness and resilience capacities so as to respond to community expectations. The component amounts to EUR 6 million. With a total fund of EUR 15 million, the EU is assisting the Government of Albania to recover from the severe floods that hit the economy in early 2015. Implementation provided through UNDP 6 ml Eur & MARDWA 6.4 mil (The other two components are funded by IPA 2013). (Action Reference: IPA/2012/023-036); (Contract ref. IPA/2015/368-353); (Contract ref. IPA/2015/365-399)	6,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	IPA 2012	Nuclear	300,000	Completed

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	IPA 2012	(Action Reference: IPA/2012/023-040); (Contract ref. IPA/2015/368-353); (Contract ref. IPA/2014/348-485)	227,264	Completed
Ministry of Finance	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2013	"Upgrading the Albanian Customs Administration - Component III: Twinning Aligning customs legislation and procedures related to tariffs • Analysis of the Albanian Customs Legislation with regard to the EU customs ITMS related issues; Component III: Twinning Aligning customs legislation and procedures related to tariffs • Adjustment of the ACA's information system to allow full interoperability with the EU information systems; • Improvement of ACA's Administrative Capacity: Organization, Training and Communication. ((Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190; Contract ref. IPA/2017/382-335)	1,800,000	Planned
Ministry of Finance	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2013	• Develop the Albanian ITMS, prepared for the interoperability and interconnectivity with EU system; • Integrate the newly developed ITMS system into the existing/operational ACA IT environment (i.e. Albanian ITMS operational and in use); • Supply the required ICT hardware and software for the implementation of ITMS, as applicable. (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190; Contract Ref.: IPA/2017/383-985)	2,049,017	Planned

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Council of Ministers	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	IPA 2013	1) Strengthen the implementation of the already existing Integrated Planning System, by creating the conditions for introducing a performance orientation in the policy planning and budgetary processes. Technical assistance for Public Financial Management + Policy Coordination and Aid Management + Developing IPS Management Information Systems. 2) Supply contract for the development of the the Albania Financial Management Information System + Debt Management System	1,100,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Property rights	IPA 2013	Supporto to the implementation, coordination and monitoring of the strategy on property rights. Technical assistance: 1) to review legislation and institutional set-up 2) to work on a serious costing plan of various actions to be undertaken; 3) to identify future projects to be funded by donors and 4) to guarantee proper donor-coordination in this area (Contract ref. IPA/2014/PG/0058-8136)	1,000,000	ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2013	Implemented through GIZ: 1) Reform of the high court + unification of jurisprudence; 2) Reforms of the high council of justice; 3) Civil and criminal codes + procedure codes reforms; 4) Support to the implementation of the administrative court law; 4) Extraditions and international judicial cooperation; 5) Fight against corruption in the judiciary; court monitoring system; 6) Support to the penitentiary administration; support to the organization and functioning of the general prosecutor office	3,954,894	Ongoing

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Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2013	Implemented through GIZ: 1) Reform of the high court + unification of jurisprudence; 2) Reforms of the high council of justice; 3) Civil and criminal codes + procedure codes reforms; 4) Support to the implementation of the administrative court law; 4) Extraditions and international judicial cooperation; 5) Fight against corruption in the judiciary; court monitoring system; 6) Support to the penitentiary administration; support to the organization and functioning of the general prosecutor office	1,598,746	Planned
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2013	The overall objective of the twinning project is to contribute to improving the efficient and professional functioning of the Fundamental Rights Sector in Albania in accordance with EU and international standards. (Direct beneficiary: General Directorate of Prisons). Sector fiche justice, home affairs and human rights - intervention area 6 - (Action Ref.: IPA/2013/024-190; (Contract Ref. IPA/2015/366-939)	1,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2013	The overall objective of the project is to align the Albanian justice system with the EU acquis and best international practices. Increase the professional quality of judges and prosecutors, reduce the impact of organised crime, politics and corruption in the delivery of justice, and enhance the integrity and accountability of judiciary institutions. Budget line(s): IPA 2013/024-190, IPA 2013 / 024-935 and IPA 2016/038-717; Contract ref.: IPA/2017/384-001 & IPA/2017/384-021	5,000,000	Planned

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Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	IPA 2013	2) Telecommunication interception equipment for judiciary police	1,000,000	Ongoing
Minister of State on Local Issues	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Anti-corruption	IPA 2013	1) Specific twinning for anti-corruption focused on the Department of Administrative Internal Control and Anti-Corruption (DIACA) 2) Continuation and extension of the on-going anti-money laundering project The specific objective of the action is to improve mechanisms for the formulation, coordination and implementation of anti-corruption policy in line with international standards, best practices and EU integration priorities. Sector fiche justice, home affairs and human rights - intervention area 3 - Anticorruption + anti money laundering (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190)	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ombudsman		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2013	Enhancing the effectiveness of the Albanian system of human rights protection and anti-discrimination Sector fiche justice, home affairs and human rights - intervention action 4 - Anti-discrimination (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190) (IPA/2015/367-018)	1,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	IPA 2013	1) Establishment of a network of protected natural areas as the basis for the NATURA 2000 network, 2) Improve management and monitoring system of protected areas, natural resources and habitats, thus preventing their uncontrolled exploitation. Sector fiche environment - intervention area 2 - protected areas - (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190) Contract: IPA/2014/355-174	4,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	IPA 2013	Sector fiche environment - intervention area 3 - waste management: 1) Pilot actions for integrated waste management in Vlora and Fier 2) Technical assistance for feasibility studies for landfills (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190); (Contract ref. IPA/2017/383-743)	1,875,000	Planned
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	IPA 2013	(Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190) Implemented through EBRD: 1) Direct assistance to the private sector at the enterprise level with systemic market and sector development and capacity building interventions, such as training for SMEs and consultancies and dissemination of market economy best practises.	2,000,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2013	1. Works for Construction of Vlora Waterfront Project - Phase I (11.7 MEuro) (IPA/2015/360-660); 2. Supervision of Vlora waterfront project construction works - Phase I (1.7 MEuro) (IPA/2015/361-402)	12,000,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2013	Implemented through delegated agreement to KfW/ Germany: Improvement of water supply systems in rural areas (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190)	10,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	IPA 2013	(Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190); Implemented through UNDP: 1) Strengthening capacities of stakeholders in Albania and FYROM for the management of the shared natural and cultural heritage of the Transboundary Lake Ohrid region in view of a possible inclusion of the Albanian side of the Lake in the UNESCO World Heritage list . Fund from Cross Border Cooperation with FYROM	1,700,000	Ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	IPA 2013	Part of Multibeneficiary Civil Society Facility	1,274,484	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	IPA 2013	The project ACHIEVE - Albanian Civil Society for a European Environment, implemented by REC Albania, has as an overall objective the encouragement and active participation of civil society in policy-making and contributing to the fulfilment of Albania's EU Integration obligations. REC Albania in close cooperation with the Environmental Civil Society Organizations wants to reach the following strategic objective: - Reinforced group of CSOs able to work in a professional and sustainable way addressing – also in collaboration with other CSOs and with the relevant governmental counterparts – environmental issue also at policy level. (Action Ref.: IPA/2013/024-081; Contract Ref.: IPA/2014/353-791)	674,892	Ongoing
INSTAT	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Statistics	IPA 2013	1) Integrated statistical data system. 2) Capacity building in labour market data analysis. 3) Agricultural and Environmental Statistics. 4) Dissemination Policy	1,500,000	Ongoing
State Audit Authority		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2013	implemented by the Polish Najwyższa Izba Kontroli (Supreme Audit Office; NIK) in consortium with the Croatian Državni ured za reviziju (State Audit Office) for the Albanian High State Audit; KLSH) - Indirect Management through CFCU: • Improvement of legislative framework for audits; • Development of audit methodologies and reporting capacities; • Strengthening of ALSAI institutional capacity and improving impact of ALSAI audit results. - Also component to strengthen the anticorruption role of the SAI for anti-fraud auditing.	2,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2013	Indirect Management through CFCU - two contracts: 1) Technical Assistance for the improvement of road safety standards in Albania; 2) Supply of equipments for road side technical checks	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	IPA 2013	1) Soft support (training and definition of curricula) and equipment to upgrade existing VET schools to multi-functional VET centers.	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	3 Contracts Indirect management through CFCU: 1) Improvement of the performance and quality of the public extension service in the livestock sector; 2) Design the construction of 2 buildings at Agricultural Technology Transfer Centres of Fushe-Kruja-Korca; 3) Construct/rehabilitate of two buildings at the Agricultural Technology Transfer Centres of Fushe-Kruja-Korca	1,800,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	2 Contracts Indirect management through CFCU: 1) Staff trained at the Food Safety and Veterinary Institute (ISFV) and National Food Authority (NFA) central 2) Supply for the food safety laboratories in ISFV and NFA Regional Directorate	4,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	Reduce the presence and associated risks of rabies in the economy by undertaking an effective vaccination on the population of red foxes. Supply contract financed by EU contribution for the vaccination against rabies (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190); (Contract Ref. IPA/2016/372-956)	1,233,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	1. Supply of vaccines and other material for the control and eradication of zoonotic diseases (lot 1 & 2); 2. Supply of vaccines and other material for the control and eradication of zoonotic diseases (lot 3) (2 Contracts - Contract Ref. IPA/2017/383-801 & IPA/2017/384-019); (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190)	496,054	Planned
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	IPA 2013	IBECA project is Funded by the EU and implemented by Agrotec in association with Sweco and CMCC. Overall project objective is to support the sustainable development of the economy via improved environmental and climate change requirements and management by enabling Government Institutions to develop, implement and enforce environmental and climate change legislation to EU standards. (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190); Contract Ref.: IPA/2015/359-493	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	- Flood prevention disaster - Component 2: Recovering agricultural damage and restoring productive capacity. Component / Flood Prevention/Preparedness and Disaster Management. The second component of the programme and aims to upgrade the civil defence preparedness and disaster risk reduction and is implemented in partnership with the Albanian General Directorate for Civil Emergencies. It amounts to 2.5 million Euros. (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190) (Contract ref. IPA/2016/382-775)	2,281,404	Planned

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2013	Flood prevention disaster - Component 3: Agriculture and Economic development (6.4M€). Direct grant agreement with the Albanian Ministry of Agriculture. The third component provides compensation and investment grants to around 4,000 farmers and farming households and around 200 households/ agribusinesses in order to support restoration of their livelihoods and enhance their resilience. (Action Reference: IPA/2013/024-190; Contract ref. IPA/2015/368-353)	6,400,000	Ongoing
Minister of Innovation and Public Administration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	IPA 2014	(TA) Result 1: A professional, impartial, independent and merit-based public administration strengthened Result 2: Control and oversight mechanisms over the public administration guaranteeing citizens' rights and access to information enhanced Result 3: Improved public services delivery by undertaking a legal-structural reform. Public services are digitalized and integrated.	6,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2014	Budget Support: 1.1 Support to public finance management (PFM) reforms in order to ensure fiscal discipline, more prudent financial management towards efficient public service delivery (EUR 40 mio).	40,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	IPA 2014	TA: 1.2 PFM Technical Assistance (EUR 2 mio).	1,876,947	Planned
Ministry of EU Integration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2014	1.1 Support to Ministry of European Integration - INDIRECT management through CFCU	2,000,000	Planned

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Multi-Beneficiary		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2014	1.2 Support to Regulatory Framework: Capacity Building to improve regulatory framework and functions of Key Albanian Institutions in areas such as internal market and energy - Indirect management through CFCU	1,500,000	Ongoing
Parliament		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2014	EU Integration Facility: Action 1.3 Support to Parliament: 1) Further Strengthening the Assembly of Albania in the context of EU Accession (500,000 ) and 2) Deploy a new audio-visual system for a more transparent lawmaking and oversight functioning of the Parliament (500,000). (Indirect management through CFCU: twinning + supply contracts)	1,000,000	Planned
Multi-Beneficiary		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2014	1.4 Project Preparation Facility: Support for preparation of projects documentation, analysis, Acquis-related studies, as well as support measures related to urgent political needs related to the fulfillment of the Key priorities. As a result of a specific request of the Albanian Government, support as well to the organization of an international event gathering religious, spiritual and political leaders, as well as pilgrims and non-believers in view of establishing a high degree of tolerance within the society. (EUR 3.45 mio)- Direct Management	3,446,389	Ongoing
Multi-Beneficiary		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2014	2.1 Support to CSOs for EU agenda - Support to Civil Society Organisations for the implementation of capacity building actions to increase policy dialogue and awareness on European Integration process	1,000,000	Planned

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Multi-Beneficiary		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2014	3.1 TA for Sector Working Groups / IPMGs (EUR 4.8 mio): Technical assistance to sector working groups to coordinate full sector reform cycle and to develop national sector programmes, including technical support for preparatory studies and updating of master plans. (Indirect management - service contract)	4,800,000	Planned
Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2014	The action will facilitate and enable the participation of Albanian institutions in the Union Programmes. It will promote the further alignment of Albania with European Union policies and working methods and it will increase the Albanian active participation and commitment to the Union Programmes.	1,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	IPA 2014	This action will promote the economic and social empowerment of Roma and Egyptian communities by increasing employment and vocational training opportunities, improving access to basic social services, strengthening institutional capacity, and establishing supportive mechanisms for those who live under severe circumstances. In the long term, this aims to lift many of the Roma and Egyptian families out of poverty and support their sustainable inclusion in the Albanian society and labour market.	4,000,000	Ongoing
Minister of State on Local Issues	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Anti-corruption	IPA 2014	Partnership Against Corruption Together--PACT	662,625	Ongoing
Civil Society	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2014	CIVILISC – CIVil society InStruments against Corruption	542,448	Ongoing

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Minister of Innovation and Public Administration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2015	Budget support - Support to PAR reform - the implementation of the PAR strategy over the next four years with intensive policy dialogue aiming at accompanying the reform process. ((Action Reference: IPA/2015/038-715; Contract Ref. IPA/2016/379-075)	28,000,000	Ongoing
Minister of Innovation and Public Administration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2015	(Action Reference: IPA/2015/038-715; Contract Ref. IPA/2017/382-436)	187,320	Planned
Minister of Innovation and Public Administration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2015	STAR 2/Complementary Technical Assistance - Indirect management with UNDP transferred to Support to Territorial and Administrative Reform (STAR) 2 (Action Reference: IPA/2015/038-715; Contract Ref. IPA/2016/382-422)	3,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	IPA 2015	Sector Budget Support - Support for Employment sector (Action Reference: IPA/2015/038-715; Contract Ref.: IPA/2016/379-020)	27,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	IPA 2015	Technical Assistance - Support for Employment sector	2,500,000	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	IPA 2015	Action Ref.: IPA/2015/038-716; Contract Ref.: IPA/2017/385-315	349,500	Planned
Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	IPA 2015	Consolidation of law enforcement agencies - PAMECA EXTENTION - Consolidation of Law Enforcement Agencies: support to the Albanian State Police and Prosecutor's Office (Action Reference: IPA/2015/038-715)	6,000,000	Planned
Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	IPA 2015		7,000,000	planned

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Ministry of European Integration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2015	EU Integration Facility	12,200,000	planned
Ministry of European Integration	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	IPA 2015	EU Integration Facility - Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women - UN Women is the mandated UN body to define global standards and norms for the full respect of women and to assist UN Member States to implement them.	1,700,000	planned
Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2015	The action will facilitate and enable the participation of Albanian institutions in the Union Programmes. It will promote the further alignment of Albania with European Union policies and working methods and it will increase the Albanian active participation and commitment to the Union Programmes.	1,000,000	planned
Parliament		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2015	Action Ref.: IPA/2015/038-715; Contract Ref.: IPA/2017/384-960	60,000	planned
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2015	Enhance the policy dialogue with civil society organisations (CSOs), including social partners (trade-unions and employers' organisations), on the EU integration agenda and inform the broader public opinion about the integration process.	2,000,000	planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IPA 2016	Support to Transport (Sector Budget Support (21 Miln Eur & TA) - Road safety and maintenance	24,000,000	planned

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Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2016	The action will facilitate and enable the participation of Albanian institutions in the Union Programmes. It will promote the further alignment of Albania with European Union policies and working methods and it will increase the Albanian active participation and commitment to the Union Programmes.	1,000,000	planned
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2016	Consolidation of Justice System (Euralius V, Monitoring of Vetting of Judges)	12,500,000	planned
Minister of Local Issues	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Anti-corruption	IPA 2016	Fight against Anticorruption (Sector Budget Support & TA)	10,000,000	planned
Ministry of European Integration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2016	EU Integration Facility	4,740,000	planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IPA 2016	Support to Integrated Water Management (TA)	4,000,000	planned
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2016	Fishery and Food Safety (TA)	8,700,000	planned
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2016	IPARD Programme	13,000,000	planned

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Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2016	Enhance the policy dialogue with civil society organisations (CSOs), including social partners (trade-unions and employers' organisations), on the EU integration agenda and inform the broader public opinion about the integration process.	4,500,000	planned
Ministry of European Integration		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public Administration	IPA 2017	Eu Integration Facility	14,600,000	indicative
Multi-Beneficiary	NA	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	IPA 2017	Budget Support to Tourism and Regional Development	46,600,000	indicative
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2017	IPARD Programme	14,000,000	planned
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2017	Support to Civil Society	5,000,000	indicative
Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Multi-sector	IPA 2018		2,000,000	indicative
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	IPA 2018	Budget Support to Justice Reforms	42,000,000	indicative
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	IPA 2018	Budget Support to Environment	23,400,000	indicative

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	IPA 2018	IPARD Programme	18,000,000	indicative
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	IPA 2018	Support to Civil Society	5,000,000	indicative
Civil Society	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	USG/US-AID	Strengthening of Civil Society (SOCS) will be a 3.5 year program aimed at supporting and strengthening the capacities of civil society, government bodies, and private sector to fight corruption in Albania; support avenues for meaningful public participation and oversight; improve efficiency and effectiveness in governance and government services; and support public-private partnerships.	1,622,802	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	USG/US-AID	Increase access to financial resources of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises for business expansion & diversification fostering economic growth in Albania through promoting competitiveness of MSMEs in domestic and foreign markets.	648,829	Ongoing
Ministry of Defence		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Defence	USG/US-AID	Provides assistance to deploy forces to support US/Coalition/NATO in Peace Keeping Eurooperation in support of GWOT. Provides needed equipment, training and doctrine, and is essential in providing strategic and institutional reform to a civil controlled milit	15,629,040	completed
Ministry of Defence	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Defence	USG/US-AID	An instrument of US national security and foreign policy provides training to students from allied and friendly nations. An investment in ideas and people which has an overall positive impact on the numerous individuals trained under this program.	4,513,680	completed

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Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	USG/US-AID	This program stimulates employment opportunities for people with disabilities in Albania by raising public and Government of Albania awareness of international human rights and labor integration policies. Component I: Wheelchair Production; Component II: Employment; Component III: Policy and Advocacy/ Legislation	745,881	Ongoing
Local Government		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	USG/US-AID	USAID's Planning and Local Governance Project (PLGP) provides technical assistance and training to the Government of Albania (GOA) and to Albanian local government institutions – to support their efforts to successfully implement decentralization legislation, policies and reforms. The project aims to improve the efficiency, transparency and accountability of local government Eurooperations, improve local government management and oversight of public utilities to provide services in line with EU standards, and strengthen the capabilities of the GOA and local governments to plan and manage urban and regional growth.	11,861,773	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	USG/US-AID	Covering the subsectors: greenhouse, vegetables, water mellons, olives, herbs and spices, citrus	1,581,448	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	USG/US-AID	Support for Territorial and Administrative Reform	460,500	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	USG/US-AID	Social Business Pormotion	921,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	USG/US-AID	Tourism as a leading edge	2,763,000	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	Infrastructure	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	USG/US-AID	The project seeks to improve service provision and environmental outcomes through integrated technical assistance and governance interventions.	1,236,591	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice	Justice	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	USG/US-AID	Seeks to improve court transparency, fairness and efficiency; The project is part of the Ongoing U.S. support to the rule of law and good governance in Albania, with an emphasis on improving justice delivery and increasing public demand for accountability in the justice sector.	10,277,674	Ongoing
Civil Society	Civil Society	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	USG/US-AID	Strengthening of Civil Society (SOCS) will be a 3.5 year program aimed at supporting and strengthening the capacities of civil society, government bodies, and private sector to fight corruption in Albania; support avenues for meaningful public participation and oversight; improve efficiency and effectiveness in governance and government services; and support public-private partnerships.	1,622,802	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice	Justice	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Anti-corruption	USG/US-AID	The proposed USAID Transparency in the Health Sector Program promotes good governance by focusing sharply in anticorruption. This project is especially targeted to improve governance of the health sector through improved capacities of selected local actors and increased transparency of government institutions to allow for better monitoring of their functions by civil society and media.	1,657,800	Ongoing

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CEC	Election	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Elections	USG/US-AID	TBD	229,329	Ongoing
CEC		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Elections	USG/US-AID	Promote transparency in three main parties financing	456,000	Ongoing
CEC		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Elections	USG/US-AID	Election observation and monitoring efforts by the civil society	352,000	Planned
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	USG/US-AID	Strengthening of Civil Society (SOCS) will be a 3.5 year program aimed at supporting and strengthening the capacities of civil society, government bodies, and private sector to fight corruption in Albania; support avenues for meaningful public participation and oversight; improve efficiency and effectiveness in governance and government services; and support public-private partnerships.	1,951,144	Ongoing
Ministry of tourism infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	USG/US-AID	Implemented over 32 months, the CEBE will create a "Tourism Investment and Finance Fund" (TIFF): a multi-partner, member-owned, nonprofit foundation that invests in and provides capital to local partner businesses in the tourism sector.	703,564	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development		Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	USG/US-AID	The project's mission is to boost economic growth by facilitating financing, sustainable investments and trade in vital sectors of Albanian economy. It will mobilize a significant contribution of resources on 1:3 basis, through innovative, market-based solutions facilitated by CBS. SEDA's interventions will be directly attributable to achieving at least \$21 Million of direct economic benefit for enterprises supported through the program	1,125,704	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	USG/US-AID	Implemented over 24 months, People First will promote job growth by training and placing employees with the skills demanded by tourism industry in Albania. This project will create partnerships between prospective employees, Vocational Training Centers (VTCs), and businesses, and thus establish pathways for prospective employees—particularly, for youth and women—to gain skills and enter the workforce	702,626	Ongoing
Ministry of tourism infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	USG/US-AID	Implemented over 36 months, AgroTourism will support the creation of replicable agrotourism models in three northern areas of Albania: Shkodra, Malsi e Madhe, and Puka. These areas were chosen both for their tourism potential as well as their extreme poverty and need for economic growth and investment.	651,970	Ongoing
Ministry of tourism infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	USG/US-AID	Project's mission is to boost economic growth in tourism by connecting the traveler with the economy's best culture, heritage and nature. It combines the tourism concepts of digitalism and authenticity in a unique single intervention. The project which is proposed to last 3 years will provide significant economic impact.	698,874	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	USG/US-AID	Implemented over 36 months, D2T's overall goal is two-fold, to increase employment, particularly among youth and women; and to increase the incomes of Diber families involved in the tourism supply chain. ALDCF will partner with Connecting Natural Values and People (CNVP) and Association LAG "Dibra Turistike" to implement this program.	657,598	Ongoing

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Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	USG/US-AID	The purpose of the USAID/Albania "Demand Change" activity is to produce and disseminate thematic public awareness campaigns to amplify the development impact of USAID's work in Albania. These services will raise awareness about the challenges faced by Albanian citizens, and encourage civil and government demand and action for reform.	450,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	EBRD	Consultancy services for capacity building to eliminate all the barriers and promote renewable energy in Albania. (Setting up of the national DB on Concessional licences)	636,634	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EBRD	Financing the construction of a 22 km bypass of the city of Fier and a 27.6 km bypass of the city of Vlore in south-western Albania. The two bypasses are key sections of the national road network in Albania and will connect important roads.	53,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	EBRD	The Project consists of priority interventions to strengthen the dam safety at the Drin and Mat River Cascades of the Hydropower plants and the rehabilitation of the Komani HPP.	12,700,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EBRD	Financing of a new ferry terminal in the Port of Durres and rehabilitation of two quays (quays 7 & 8) to improve passenger and cargo services. The loan will help finance the construction of a building for passengers and vehicles, customs handling, as well as supporting works arising from the re-organisation of existing port cargo Eurooperations.	14,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	EBRD	Financing the construction of a new oil-fuelled thermal power plant in Vlore, just off the Adriatic coast in south-west Albania. The plant will help diversify electricity supply in an economy which is currently 95 per cent dependent on hydro-power, which has led to erratic supply patterns.	40,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EBRD	Rehabilitation of the Tirana-Durres Railway Line and construction of the new connection to Rinas Airport	36,870,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	EBRD	(WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Rehabilitation of the Tirana-Durres Railway Line and construction of the new connection to Rinas Airport	36,243,700	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/EU	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Construction of the Tirana Bypass (Kashar-Vaqarr-Mullet): Detailed Design, Full ESIA and Tender Documents	1,450,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/EU	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Feasibility study for Adriatic-Ionian Highway/Expressway (Route 1 and Route 2) for Albania and Montenegro	3,500,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/EU	Detailed design study for rehabilitation of railway line Vora- Hani Hotit. This project was resubmitted in R16 with a revised amount of 4.6 mln EUR. The project is part of core railway network (Corridor X) and eligible for investment grant. ToRs under preparation by IFICO WBIF	4,500,000	Planned

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	EBRD	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Gas Master Plan for Albania & Project Identification Plan	1,100,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/EU	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Preparation for the Albania-Kosovo* gas pipeline (ALKOGAP) Prefeasibility study (PFS)	300,000	Planned
Ministry of Energy and Industry		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/EU	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Preliminary and Main Design of the Ionian Adriatic Gas Pipeline – Montenegro and Albania sections	5,500,000	Planned
Ministry of Energy and Industry		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	EBRD	WBIF (EBRD lead IFI) Balance sheet restructuring to replace sovereign guaranteed overdrafts with a sovereign guaranteed loan of longer tenor	118,000,000	Ongoing
Municipality of Tirana	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Abu Dhabi Fund	The project concerns the construction of the Northern Bulevard and the regeneration of the river side in the city of Tirana	60,084,115	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Saudi Fund for Development		22,987,304	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Saudi Fund for Development	The project consist of land acquisition, consultancy services, and the construction of earthworks, paving layers, concrete works, abutments, drainage facilities and safety measures for Durres bypass	11,033,288	Ongoing

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INSTAT		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Statistics	Sweden	Assist INSTAT produce agricultural, economic statistics and others in line with EU requirements and upgrade its IT environment and data publication	1,927,041	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Sweden	The results to be achieved are 1) LGU's in 6 regions enabled to manage decentralized forest and pasture land, 2) LGU's facilitated to adopt user-oriented local government management, 3) Enabling institutional, policy and legal framework in support of forest and pasture users, 4) Capacity building of LGU's	4,675,970	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Sweden	The Objectives of the Water Resources and Irrigation Project (WRIP) in Albania are: 1. To integrate water resources management and strengthen sectors legal, regulatory and institutional framework; 2. To implement measures related to dam rehabilitation and safety; 3. To rehabilitate irrigation and drainage systems. Sweden is to support primarily 1. above. The contribution is Planned in coEuroperation with the World Bank.	3,701,530	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Sweden	Support via the World Bank CPS to environmental services	7,189,439	Ongoing
Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Sweden	Continued support to women in organisations in Albania building on the results of the Kvinna till Kvinna long-term support to Albanian partners	988,910	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Gender equality and prevention of domestic violence	Sweden	The contribution is linked with the support to UN Programme 2012-2016 for the gender outputs of the programme. The objective of the intervention is to support the Embassy in monitoring of the progress of the gender outputs of the UN programme and how this progress links with the other parts of the UN programme in Albania	53,405	Indicative
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	The second phase of supporting environmental civil society organisations	1,417,369	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	Sweden	Continued support to Civil Society in the area of democracy and human rights	961,290	Indicative
Ombudsman	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Sweden	The specific objective of this project is to strengthen the role of the Ombudsman institution to influence and advocate the government and the general public together with girls and boys to fulfil the rights of Albania's children.	299,068	Indicative
Ministry of Environment		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Sweden	Monitoring of by Sweden and the World Bank (WB) jointly funded projects in Albania in the environment and natural resources sector	128,014	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Sweden	A 3d phase of coEuroperation between the Swedish and Albanian tax administrations focusing on digital archiving, tax-payers services and fiscal cadastre (prEuroproperty taxing).	3,204,300	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Justice	Sweden	Support to justice sector reform through a coordinated assistance from 4 Swedish authorities: Courts, police, prosecution and prisons.	2,670,250	Planned
Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	Sweden	This is additional funding to Ongoing IPS	1,068,100	Ongoing

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INSTAT		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Statistics	Sweden	Support to Albanian National Institute of Statistics (INSTAT) for procurement related to the institutional co-operation between INSTAT and SCB 2014-2017.	796,787	Ongoing
Civil Society	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Culture	Sweden	Heritage for People - integrated approach to development and education will be the continuation to Cultural Heritage without Borders, contributing to cultural heritage and linkage to education.	1,640,602	Ongoing
Minister of State for Local Government		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Sweden	This is a follow up from the STAR project on the territorial and administrative reform and will focus on capacity building for the new decentralised local municipalities.	1,068,100	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	The intervention is a continuation of co-operation with Civil Rights Defenders in Albania. The support is envisaged for a three year period and is about improving respect for people's rights through support to Human Rights Defenders.	1,680,655	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and Civil Society	Sweden	Continued support to Civil Society in the area of democracy and human rights	961,290	Planned
Ombudsman	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Sweden	The specific objective of this project is to strengthen the role of the Ombudsman institution to influence and advocate the government and the general public together with girls and boys to fulfil the rights of Albania's children.	299,068	Indicative
Albanian State Police		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	Sweden	Follow-up of the community policing but with an extended focus in other police co-operation areas.	2,670,250	Indicative
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	The intervention is a continuation of co-operation with Olof Palme International Center in supporting local civil society organisations	1,698,279	Ongoing

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Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	A mid-term review of civil society programmes (starting in 2016)	64,086	Planned
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	The contribution will focus on the Review of Internal Management and Control of CHwB, related to the potential agreement with CHwB, Albania.	14,115	Ongoing
Civil Society		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Media and civil society	Sweden	Indicative support to Gender Equality programmes following the closure of support through UN. The identification of the programme to start in 2017	427,240	Planned
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Sweden	Indicative support to SMEs in Albania	2,883,870	ongoing
SME		Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Sweden	The contribution aims to increase economic opportunities for Albanian citizens. To contribute in the improvement in tourism as a sector, and more generally to Albania's business enabling environment, including workforce development.	2,650,000	Ongoing
SME		Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Sweden	To evaluate the Tourism programme	50,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IDB	The project consists in: 1) Construction of Port facilities 2) Consultant services for engineering design, bidding documents, procurement process and supervising the works	6,789,103	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	IDB	Rural water supply project	10,975,555	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IDB	The project concerns the construction of a road between Tirana and Elbasan with a total length of 30km.	237,591,892	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	IDB	The project concerns the construction of a road between Qukes and Qafe Plloce.	115,168,481	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	IDB	Technical Assistance in support of the MICROFINANCE PROJECT Loan.	3,401,989	ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	IDB	Technical Assistance in support of the MICROFINANCE PROJECT Loan.	921,581	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	Improvement of the transmission system in Southern Albania BMZ 200665505 & 200865188	49,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Germany/GIZ	Improve the capacities of institutions to a better management of risks in terms of floods and droughts. II Albania is Partner Economy	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 201470095	2,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 200140798??	20,000,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/KfW	Rehabilitation of sewerage system in the city of Shkodra. BMZ No 200266676	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Germany/GIZ	Improvement of implementation of lows and management plans in order to preserve the biodiversity in the area of the 3 Lakes. (phase II) Albania is Partner Economy	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Germany/GIZ	Protection and improvement of biodiversity in Alpen area.	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Germany/GIZ	Protection and improvement of biodiversity in Alpen area.	500,000	Planned
Ministry of Environment	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 201366830	-	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Environment	Germany/GIZ	Improve the capacities of institutions to a better management of risks in terms of floods and droughts. II Albania is Partner Economy	2,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	Facility for financing small hydro power plants; support for Energy Efficiency measures - Credit Guarantee BMZ 200466276 & 200570093	9,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	Construction of the transmission lines Tirana - Rrashbull and Tirana Ring BMZ 201166388	40,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 201066224	12,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/KfW	Water Alarm Systems and Emergency Preparedness; Plan Consolidation of the Komani dam toe and Plunge pool. BMZ 200966531	20,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 201065713	-	Ongoing
Council of Ministers	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Germany/GIZ	TC Programme Sustainable Economic and Regional Development, Employment Promotion and Vocational Education and Training	10,500,000	Planned
Ministry of Urban Development	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Germany/GIZ	The project will contribute to the elaboration of development perspectives within the frame of the Coastal Management Plan as well as on moving forward in the form of an example of an integrated development of the coastal region in pilot areas	2,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/KfW	Rehabilitation of water supply network in 4 selected cities. BMZ 200966523	16,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/KfW	Improvement of the water supply and sewerage in possible selected municipalities: Kamza, Lushnja, Fier, Saranda, Berat-Kucova. BMZ 201065705 & 201066315	14,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/KfW	BMZ 201165968	2,000,000	Planned
Ministry of Environment	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Germany/GIZ	Improvement of the investment climate in Albania	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Germany/GIZ	Policy advice (system VET) and other supporting measures	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Germany/GIZ	Germany/GIZ is co-financing the program together with the Danish Government. Improvement of competitiveness in the rural area.	13,100,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Germany/GIZ	Component I & II: Increase the competitiveness of small and medium scale enterprises in selected sectors and regions. Component III: Support to Agriculture and Rural Development. Germany/GIZ is co-financing the EU/IPA 2011 funded project ". Support to Agriculture and Rural Development". EU co-financing part is 10.0 Mio Euro	13,900,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Germany/ GIZ	Increase the competitiveness of small and medium enterprises in selected sectors and regions.	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/ KfW	Renewable Energy for the University Campus	4,500,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/ KfW	Construction and rehabilitation of rural water supply systems. Construction and rehabilitation basic sewer facilities. BMZ 201166370	24,000,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/ KfW	BMZ No. 201470137	1,500,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/ KfW	Rehabilitation of rural water supply systems BMZ 200466433 & 200865998	9,000,000	Ongoing
Albanian Development Fund	GP3/GP5	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/ KfW	Rehabilitation or reconstruction of ca. 100 km the rural road network. Construction and rehabilitation of rural water supply systems. Construction and rehabilitation basic sewer facilities. Areas of intervention (Qarks of Shkoder, Kukes and Diber) BMZ 201065721	20,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/ KfW	Accompanying measure for Phase II of investments (BMZ 201070176)	1,000,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/ KfW	Solid Waste Management South East Albania (Phase II BMZ 200865170- Investment for building the landfill i Korca)	10,800,000	Ongoing
Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Germany/ GIZ	Study and expert fund 2012-14	1,152,000	Ongoing
Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Germany/ GIZ	Study and expert fund 2015-16	1,007,000	Ongoing
Multi-Beneficiary		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Multi-sector	Germany/ GIZ	Study and expert fund 2017-18	800,000	Planned
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	Germany/ GIZ	Harmonisation of Albanian Economic and Trade Legislation with EU acquis	2,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/ KfW	• This new 400 kV interconnection will enable direct connection of the power systems of Macedonia and Albania BMZ 201066992	30,000,000	Planned
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Germany/ KfW	Construction of the transmission line of 400 kv Albania- Kosovo* BMZ 200865196	42,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/ KfW	Solid Waste Management in Vlora	12,000,000	Planned

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/KfW	Solid Waste Management in Vlora	7,534,862	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/KfW	BMZ No. 201470103	700,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Germany/GIZ	Customer and performance oriented drinking water and waste water services	2,200,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Germany/GIZ	Climate friendly integrated waste and recycling management	3,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Germany/GIZ	Project of German Federal Foreign Office (Implemented by GIZ)	260,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Migration	Germany/GIZ	DIMAK Albania	110,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Germany/GIZ	PPP-Project	239,000	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	Focus on supporting local government	5,809,524	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Switzerland	Support the modernisation of the skills development sector in Albania, as well as enhancement of its approximation with European standards.	5,454,545	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Switzerland	The Project supports with a multidimensional and institutionalised approach the social inclusion of the Roma in four main municipalities.	1,886,364	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	The key objective of the CRIF is to facilitate the development of catastrophe insurance markets and thereby provide access for homeowners and SMEs to affordable priced, but not subsidized, catastrophe insurance.	821,970	Ongoing
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	Focus on supporting territorial and administrative reform in Albania	381,667	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	Focus on improving and reinforcing the implementation of good quality financial reporting through capacity building for the accountancy and audit professions, better enforcement and monitoring by regulators of the quality financial reporting and public transparency of companies' financial information.	2,200,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	The main focus of the program is to further strengthening the capacities of corporate governance institute of Albania. The objectives are as follows: (1) To support the building and development of local institutional capacity for the promotion and implementation of good corporate governance practices in selected Europe and Central Asia (ECA) countries; (2) To assist companies in the ECA region to implement good corporate governance practices; (3) To assist in the development of the corporate governance framework in certain countries in the ECA region. (regional project)	3,116,379	Ongoing

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Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Switzerland	The overall goal of this project aims at assisting the competent Albanian Institutions and KESH in raising the safety of the dams at Drin and Mat Rivers Cascades to European standards. The impact will be as follows: The population downstream of the Drin and Mat Rivers live with the knowledge that dam failure will be prevented to the extent possible and flood warning will occur in a timely manner. Strategic infrastructure for domestic and regional power supply safe-guarded and risk for severe losses of lives, economic and cultural assets minimized.	6,400,000	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Switzerland	Capacities of municipalities and communes in Shkodra and Lezha are strengthened contributing to improved regional development in Northern Albania and decentralization reform at national level	7,616,036	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Switzerland	This contribution is meant to foster national policy coherence and inclusion in social protection and is complementary to other Swiss supported activities under the sub-domain Social Inclusion.	2,916,667	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	Focus on improving and boosting growth focused entrepreneurs	2,083,333	Ongoing
Albanian Financial Supervisory Authority		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	Focus on supporting territorial and administrative reform in Albania	1,666,667	Ongoing

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Ministry for Urban Government	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Switzerland	This intervention will build upon the results and achievements of currently running Regional Development Programme	2,272,727	Planned
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	Switzerland		8,000,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Justice		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	The Project will work towards identification of the key legislative obstacles to the implementation of viable debt resolution mechanisms and then supporting the improvement and implementation of such legislation. The emphasis of reform will be on promoting rehabilitation of viable companies and increasing loan recovery. The Program will also help develop provisions for fast-track recognition of negotiated out-of-court workouts for Albanian framework and will work on the review of the insolvency and other provisions to allow and promote pre-packaged solutions; on design and implementation of special filing and hearing procedures; and incentives that would encourage debtors and creditors to opt for out-of-court resolutions approved by the court in an expedited fashion. Focus on supporting territorial and administrative reform in Albania	925,926	Ongoing
Council of Ministers		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Public administration	Switzerland	The project's purpose is to ensure that the GoAL's core strategic policy and financial processes function in a coherent, efficient and integrated manner.	1,250,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Switzerland	Municipal Infrastructure III & IV	11,750,000	Ongoing
Deputy PM Office	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	The overall goal of this initiative is to enhance democracy at the local level by supporting different drivers of change. The programme builds on the following vision: civic engagement and the demand for accountability develops through a bottom-up and genuine process.	5,454,545	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	Project will support strengthening of local and regional government structures in terms of inter-municipal-cooperation, Human Resource Development and the empowerment of elected representatives at local governments's level.	1,938,123	Ongoing
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	Switzerland	Focus on employment generation in the sectors of Agriculture, gurnment, ICT	3,833,333	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public finance	Switzerland	The objective of the program is to improve tax compliance by increasing the transparency and simplicity of tax administration procedures in Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia. The activities will be grouped around three work streams: (i) Domestic taxation: simplifying tax administration procedures; (ii) International taxation: improve the legal framework and efficiency of international taxation procedures (transfer pricing and Double Taxation Treaties); (iii) regional co-operation.	2,191,049	ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GP1: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	Focus on supporting territorial and administrative reform in Albania	476,190	Ongoing

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Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	Switzerland	Focus on employment generation in the sectors of Agriculture, gurnment, ICT	3,833,333	ongoing
Bank of Albania	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland		896,535	Ongoing
Bank of Albania	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	Support Central Bank of Albania to strengthen forecasting, monetary policy and research capacities	646,503	Ongoing
Ministry of Health	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Switzerland	The overall goal (impact) of the program is as follows: The Albanian population, including the most vulnerable, has improved access to higher quality and better managed health services. The focus of the programme will be in the primary health care level and will target one or two regions.	8,081,294	Ongoing
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship	GP4: Improving innovation and competitiveness	Pillar 2: Growth through Increased Competitiveness and Innovation	Economy	Switzerland	SIPPO's programme activities focus on five main objectives: (i) to increase the competitiveness of SMEs from the partner economies; (ii) to develop services, manufacturing and exporting skills; (iii) to inform the EU and Swiss import economy on new market.	333,333	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	Switzerland	The impact of this Water Supply and Sewerage Project in Lezha City will be a contribution to an efficient use of the rare water resources and to environmental protection with parallel improvement of living, working and health conditions for the population	10,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	Focus on supporting territorial and administrative reform in Albania	1,916,667	Ongoing

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Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	Objective of the Project is to enable beneficiaries develop their own financial programming models, take command of technical analysis, negotiate with third parties in more proactive terms	226,788	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	Focus on supporting local government	727,273	Planned
State Minister for Local Government	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland		13,272,727	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	Switzerland	The overall goal of the project is: More young women and men in urban and rural areas in Albania are employed or self-employed.	2,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Environment	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Switzerland	The Solid Waste Management Project will contribute to improve quality, reliability and sustainability of waste management services in the Berat qark and reduce negative environmental impact of generated waste.	2,095,238	Planned
Ministry of Finance	GP6: Structural and Fiscal Reform	Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland	The project will provide technical assistance and capacity building will be provided with the aim to (i) improve the management of budget resources, (ii) improve decision-making, and (iii) enhance the overall transparency of the use of fiscal resources	1,904,762	Ongoing
Ministry of Finance		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland		1,007,424	Planned
Ministry of Finance		Pillar 1: Growth through Macro Economic and Fiscal Stability	Public Finance	Switzerland		343,562	Ongoing

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Prime Minister Office		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional Development	Switzerland	The overall goal of this project is to provide technical assistance to the Department of Programming Development, Finance and Foreign Aid under the Prime Minister to define and set up an institutional and financial development model, and for the preparation of the Law on Regional Development in Albania.	238,095	Ongoing
State Minister for Local Government	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Switzerland		1,363,636	Planned
State Minister for Local Government	GPI: Innovative Services to the Citizen Center	Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland		909,091	Planned
Ministry for Urban Government	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Switzerland		5,454,545	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Switzerland		14,545,455	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Employment	Switzerland		7,272,727	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Switzerland		7,272,727	Planned
Ministry of Social Welfare and Youth	NA	Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Vocational education & training	Switzerland		2,272,727	Planned

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Ministry of Health		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Switzerland		7,272,727	Planned
Ministry of Health		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Health	Switzerland		3,636,364	Planned
Ministry of Health		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Hungary	Embassy of Hungary with the support of Hungarian company called Hunnia Kristály Kft. Offered unbreakable tableware in a value of 2000 EUR for Tirana Maternity Hospital and Orphanage. The project aims to help abandoned children.	2,000	Planned
Municipality of Tirana		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Social Inclusion	Hungary	The idea of the Ka2al Kinderpitch and its first pilot project was accomplished in 2010 in Hungary. One year later, Jenő Buzánszky, the Olympic Gold Medalist (1952) and World Cup Silver Medalist (1954) legendary right back of the Hungarian Golden Team established the Kindergarten-Football Public Benefit Foundation in order to start a economy-wide project. During the years of implementation the methodologies were developed further in several sports making Ka2al a multifunctional sports pitch. The company has started the Eurooperation in Albania in April and building 3 pitches. One of these 3 one of them is a donation to Heidi kindergarten in Tirana district. The KA2AL kinderpitch (Kindergarten Football Field) is a Hungarian innovation with an EU utility and design protection, exclusively developed for kindergarten-age children (3-7 years of age). It is a pitch with a special size which can be used for several different sports. Due to its complexity it's suitable for playing football, basketball, volleyball, tennis, handball, foot tennis, badminton and practice movement coordination activities.		Planned

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	Hungary	The proposed project will contribute to improved food security, diets, nutrition and educational success of Albanian schoolchildren, while also strengthening the food security and economy of local producers of agricultural products and food. The project will use a multi-sectoral, integrated food-systems approach to food and nutrition in schools to maximize the long-term impact of school nutrition on school-age children, their families, local producers and the broader community.		Planned
Municipality		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Waste management	Slovenian Government	Objective: Sanitation of the degraded areas in the municipality (waste sanitation); Knowledge transfer on local stakeholders for quality maintenance and project result dissemination	147,500	Planned
1. Ministry on Local Issues 2. LGUs and their Associations; 3. Minister of State for Innovation and Public Administration (DoPA and ASPA).		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Decentralisation	Switzerland	Improve the conditions for and foster the implementation of Inter-Municipal Co-Europeration initiatives between Albanian Local Government Units (LGUs). Support for the creation of standards and benchmarks on HRM, transposed into legislation and practices. Building a sustainable pluralistic and unified platform of dialogue for elected local government representatives in Albania.	1,938,123	Ongoing
Ministry of Culture		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Culture	China	Equipment for the Rehabilitation of National Theatre of Opera and Ballet and Folkloric Ensemble	1,843,137	Ongoing
Albanian Radio and Television (RTSH)		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Culture	China	Musical Instruments for the RTSH Symphonic Orchestra	329,351	planned

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Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Resources & Municipality of Cërrik		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	China	Agricultural Machinery for the Municipality of Cërrik	1,317,632	planned
State Police & Ministry of Interior		Foundation: Good Governance and Rule of Law	Police, Organised crime, terrorism and trafficking	China	Cooperation in Human Resource Development	131,652	planned
Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Resources		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Agriculture and Rural Development	China	Cooperation in Human Resource Development	131,652	Planned
Ministry of Economic Development, Tourism, Trade and Entrepreneurship & National Tourism Agency		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	China	Cooperation in Human Resource Development	131,652	Planned
Multi-Beneficiary		Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion	Education	Greece	Scholarship, Health, Medical education, Traffic	1,417,357	Ongoing
Civil Society		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Regional development	Netherlands	Streamline regulatory framework at national level for regional development by creating conditions at local level. With its approach regional and local authorities will be strengthened in their efforts to meet up to EU standards and practices. Besides the project will set development planning standards according to EU regulations, while enforcing the Regional Council of Diber to guide donor (a.o. IPA) interventions in the region. All stakeholders involved deliver the ground for the assumed approach because of their experience in the region so far and their aim to further develop the region.	299,998	ongoing

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Albanian Development Fund	GP3: Integrated Water Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Integrated water management	WBIF/EU	This R10 project aim at preparing the feasibility studies for construction/reconstruction of water supply systems in rural areas. The TA is financed under WBIF/EU/EWBJF, and is managed by KfW.	750,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/EU	This R12 project aims at preparing the DD for the 400kV OHTL from Elbasan substation to the border with FYROM. The project is part of the KfW loan financing the OHTL Fier-Elbasan-border with Macedonia, and has benefited co-financing from WBIF/EU at the amount of 14 mln EUR. It is being financed by EWBJF and implemented by KfW Investment works: KfW 50 mln loan; WBIF/EU co-financing 14 mln EUR; own contribution 5 mln EUR	600,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/EU (EBRD lead IFI)	Detailed Design of Tirana – Durres railway line, including link to Airport and economic and financial feasibility of the whole Albanian railway network For the investment works WBIF/EU has committed 36,4 mln EUR grant; EBRD loan has been signed, the Project Implementation Agreement expected to be signed for the investment works. EBRD has launched the tenders for construction, supervision and PIU support	1,250,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/EU (EIB lead IFI)	FS for the rehabilitation of the railway line Durres-Pogradec-Lin and new rail line link to border with former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	720,000	Planned
Ministry of Energy and Industry	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/EU (EBRD lead IFI)	This R15 projects is a follow up of WB5-REG-ENE-03 IAP – Ionian Adriatic Pipeline, implemented during May 2012 till April 2014. ToRs preparation by IFICO, a first draft shared in Jan 2017 revised draft expected to be shared soon.	2,500,000	Ongoing

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Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/ EU (EBRD lead IFI)	This is a R16 project approved in Dec 2016 SC meeting. It is a follow up of the WB7-ALB-TRA-12 Preliminary Design and ESIA for Tirana by-pass prepared during March 2013 till May 2014. ToRs preparation has been launched in April 2017.	1,500,000	Ongoing
Ministry of Energy and Industry / Albania Government	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/EU	This project was requested by GDNEAR and aims to provide an overview of the hydropower potential of the Western Balkans, with adequate consideration of the environment, climate change and integrated water management aspects that are key for the present and future hydropower development policies. The Study is primarily aimed at promoting energy from renewable energy sources and developing the regional hydropower potential in the complex framework of conditions prevailing currently. It will deliver an energy sector proposal for hydropower development in the Region, bearing in mind that particular conditions and limitations (typically environment, social, political, etc.) will be dealt with in later stages of planning.	1,200,000	Ongoing
KESH	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Energy	WBIF/ EU (EBRD lead IFI)	The Project was approved in R17 SC ne June 2017. The main objectives of this project are to increase security of power supply in Albania, as Skavica HPP is expected to provide an additional ~450 GWh per annum; utilize the hydropower potential of upstream Drini I Zi river and specifically optimize the hydro power reserve in the entire Drini Cascade. Skavica HPP is expected to increase Fierza HPP's output by 1-3% per annum and mitigate the adverse impacts of Drini River flooding in the downstream area of Shkodra Region;	1,500,000	Planned

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ADF		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Tourism	WBIF/ EU (EBRD lead IFI)	The Project was approved in R17 SC ne June 2017. The project activities includes the preparation of conceptual designs, feasibility studies, technical designs and Environmental and Social impact assessment and works for a group of the identified integrated public infrastructure interventions along the western shore of Shkodra lake	400,000	Planned
Durres Port Authority		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/ EU (EBRD lead IFI)	The Project was approved in R17 SC ne June 2017. The scope of the requested technical assistance will include: economic and financial viabilities and feasibilities, potential financing arrangements, environmental, social and other factors for the site, and a cost / benefit analysis as well as the review and update of the existing design.	1,100,000	planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	WBIF/ EU (EBRD lead IFI)	The Project was approved in R17 SC ne June 2017. It is part of the Adriatic Ionian Corridor	350,000	Planned
OST	GP2: Energetic Sector	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	energy	WBIF/EU (KfW/lead IFI)	The Project was approved in R17 SC ne June 2017.	1,040,000	Planned
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Kuwait	The project consist of land acquisition, consultancy services, and the construction of earthworks, paving layers, concrete works, abutments, drainage facilities and safety measures for a) Durres bypass b)vora interchange	17,757,000	ongoing

Beneficiary Institution	Government Priority	NSDI	Sector	Donor funding	Description	Committed Funds (in euro)	Status
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	Kuwait		36,700,000	indicative
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	Secondary and Local Roads Project	13,434,900	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	Secondary and Local Roads Project	8,956,600	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	Tirana-Elbasan Project	18,271,464	ongoing
Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure	GP5: Land Management	Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	The project concerns the construction of a road between Tirana and Elbasan with a total length of 30km.	20,400,000	ongoing
Albanian Development Fund		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	The project consists of : 1) Civil works for the Improvement of Secondary Roads; 2) Civil works for the improvement of Local Roads and 3) Project Management and Institutional Support	15,000,000	ongoing
Albanian Development Fund		Pillar 4: Growth through Sustainable use of Resources and Territorial Development	Transport and infrastructure	OPEC	The project consists of : 1) Civil works for the Improvement of Secondary Roads; 2) Civil works for the improvement of Local Roads and 3) Project Management and Institutional Support	10,000,000	ongoing

## Annex III: Linkages between key national targets (NSDI 2020 - strategies 2020+ &amp; SDGs)

Linkages between key national targets (NSDI 2020 --strategies 2020 + & SDGs)		
KEY NSDI 2015-2020 COMPONENTS	SDGs	Strategies post 2020
<b>Albania's Overarching Goal: Accession to the European Union n/a mainly EU-related</b>		
<b>Foundations: Good Governance, Democracy and the Rule of Law</b>		
A		
A.1	An Open Judicial System with Equal Access for All	SDG 16 Justice system- Minors Justice Strategy and Action Plan 2018-2021)
A.2	Strengthening Legislative and Electoral Processes	SDG 16 + 5 (ref. gender)
A.3	Integrated Border Management	SDG 16 National Strategy on Migration 2019-2022
A.4	The Fight against Organized Crime, Terrorism and Trafficking	SDG 16 National Strategy for Combating Violent Extremism and Action Plan
A.5	Ensuring Public Order	SDG 3+16
A.6	Strengthening Human Rights cross-cutting	SDG 1+10+16
A.7	Reforming Public Administration and the Civil Services	SDG 16
A.8	Transparency and the Fight against Corruption	SDG 16
A.9	Strengthening Albanian Statistics	SDG 17
A.10	The Increasing Importance of Foreign Policy	SDG 10
A.11	Stronger Defence n/a mainly NATO-related	n/a (mainly NATO-related) Drafting of Defense Programs for 2019-2024 /Long Term Development Plan of the AF 2016-2025
A.12	Civil Society	SDG 17
B	Growth Through Macro-Economic and Fiscal Stability	"Revised 2019-2021 Macroeconomic and Fiscal Framework
B.1	Strengthening the Financial System and Monetary Policy	SDG 8 + 10 +17 National Diaspora Strategy 2018-2024 and Action Plan
B.2	Strengthened Public Finance for Fiscal Stability partially	SDG 10
C	<b>Pillar 2: Growth Through Increased Competitiveness</b>	
C.1	Assuring and Protecting Property Rights	SDG 1
C.2	Promoting Business and Foreign Direct Investment	SDG 8 PINS_Tirane_Durres_
C.3	Expanding Scientific Research and Innovation	SDG 9 +17
C.4	Investing in Information Technology and Communications	SDG 9 Long-term policy paper on citizen-centered service delivery by the state administration in Albania

C.5	Ensuring Consumer Protection and Market Surveillance	SDG 2 + 12	
C.6	Protecting Competition and Providing for State Aid Control		
D	<b>11.0 Pillar 3: Investing in People and Social Cohesion</b>		
D.1	Expanded, Better Quality Educational Opportunities	SDG 4	"National Strategy for Science, Technology and Innovation 2017-2023
D.2	A Stronger, More Accessible Health Care System	SDG 3	Action Plan for the Development of Mental Health Services 2013-2022/Policy Paper on the Strategy for the Prevention and Reduction of Alcohol-Related Injuries in Albania (2017 - 2021)
D.3	Expanding Employment Opportunities	SDG8	National Strategy on Migration 2019-2022
D.4	Strengthening Social Security		
D.5	Consolidating Social Protection	SDG 1 + 10	Social Housing Strategy 2016-2025
D.6	Building a More Inclusive Society	SDG 8 + 10	
D.7	Ensuring Gender Equality	SDG 5	
D.8	A Greater Focus on Arts and Culture	SDG 4 + 11	
D.9	Strengthening the Role of Sports		
E	<b>12.0 Pillar 4: Growth Through Sustainable Use of Resources</b>		
E.1	Energy / Utilities	SDG7	"National Energy Strategy 2015 - 2030
E.2	Transport Infrastructure	SDG9	
E.3	Agriculture and Rural Development	SDG 2	
E.4	Regional Development	Partially SDG 11 + 17	
E.5	Environment	SDG 13 + 14 + 15	Strategic Biodiversity Policy Paper covering the period post 2020
E.6	Mining	SDG 12	Mining Strategy 2010-2025
E.7	Tourism Development	SDG 8 + 11 + 12	Albania Tourism Development Strategy 2019-2023 and Action Plan
E.8	Water Supply and Sanitation/Sewage	SDG 6	Integrated Water Resources Management Strategy 2018-2027
E.9	Integrated Waste Management	SDG 11 + 12 + 17 (PPPs)	National Waste Management Strategy 2010-2025
E.10	Spatial Planning and Urban Development	SDG 11	General National Territory Plan 2030/PINS_Tirane_Durres_



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