



Western Balkan
Counter Serious Crime initiative

INTEGRATIVE PLAN OF ACTION

2018-2020

WBCSci Lead Partner:

Secretariat of the Police Cooperation Convention for Southeast Europe

WBCSci Integrative Plan of Action 2018-2020 offers coordinated and concerted support of international community to the WB Countries in response to Serious Crime threats in the Western Balkans and Europe

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List of Country Codes

AT	Austria
BiH	Bosnia and Herzegovina
DE	Germany
MKD	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
NL	Netherlands
SI	Slovenia
UK	United Kingdom

Acronyms and Abbreviations

AIRE Centre	Advice on Individual Rights in Europe
CEPOL	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training
CILC	Center for International Legal Cooperation
CoE	Council of Europe
COSI	Committee of Internal Security
COUNCIL OF EU	Council of the European Union
CT	Counter Terrorism
DCAF	The Geneva Centre for the Democratic Control of Armed Forces
EC	European Commission
EMPIACT	European multidisciplinary platform against criminal threats
EU	European Union
EU MS	European Union Member States
EULEX	European Union Rule of Law
EUROJUST	The European Union's Judicial Cooperation Unit
Europol	European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation
GIZ	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
ICITAP	International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Program
ICMPD	International Centre for Migration Policy Development
ICPO INTERPOL	International Criminal Police Organization
IISG	Integrative Internal Security Governance
IISG SG	Integrative Internal Security Governance Support Group
ILP	Intelligence-led policing
IOM	International Organisation for Migration
iPA	Integrative Plan of Action
IPA	Pre-Accession Assistance
JIT	Joint Investigation Team
KP	Kosovo Police
LE	Law Enforcement
Marshall Center	George C. Marshall Center - European Center for Security Studies
Mol	Ministry of Interior
MS	Member States

NCP	National Contact Point
NI-CO	Northern Ireland Co-operation Overseas Ltd
OSCE	Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe
OSCE SPMU	OSCE Transnational Threats Department's Strategic Police Matters Unit
P/CVE	Prevention and Countering Violent Extremism
PCC SEE	Police Cooperation Convention for Southeast Europe
PCCCs	Police and Customs Cooperation Centres
PPO	Public Prosecutors Office
RAI	Regional Anti-Corruption initiative
RCC	Regional Cooperation Council
SALW	Small Arms and Light Weapons
SC	Serious Crime
SEE	South-Eastern Europe
SEEPAG	Southeast European Prosecutors Advisory Group
SEESAC	South Eastern and Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons
SELEC	Southeast European Law Enforcement Center
SEPCA	Southeast Europe Police Chiefs Association
SIENA	Secure Information Exchange Network Application
THB	Trafficking of Human Beings
UN	United Nations
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
UNODC IEU	UNODC Independent Evaluation Unit
USAid	United States Agency for International Development
WB	Western Balkan(s)
WBBSi	Western Balkan Border Security initiative
WBCSCi	Western Balkan Counter Serious Crime initiative
WBCTi	Western Balkan Counter-Terrorism initiative

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Integrative Plan of Action (WBCSCi iPA) 2018-2020

I. Introduction

The EU Initiative on the Integrative and Complementary Approach to Counter-Terrorism and Violent Extremism in the Western Balkans (WBCTi) was endorsed in the form of Council Conclusions¹ by the Council of the EU at the level of ministers in late 2015, accompanied by a first multi-annual WBCTi Integrative Plan of Action (iPA) for the period 2015-2017. The Council Conclusions invited EU actors (relevant EU institutions, agencies and 28 EU Member States) to coordinate and cooperate planned actions in the area of countering Radicalisation leading to Violent Extremism and Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism in the Western Balkans in order to effectively identify and fill identified gaps by engaging in a more rational use of resources, joining expertise and by creating synergies – as opposed to overlapping of efforts in the region due to a lack of coordination witnessed so far. The WBCTi originated from the Brdo Process regional ministerial framework chaired by Slovenia, where the ministers of interior/security of the Western Balkan countries had demonstrated a strong and clear political demand for a more coordinated action in this policy field. The efforts of partners and donors in regional cooperation in WB (this includes EU agencies, regional organisations, third countries, international organisations, state and non-state donors) have successfully been aligned for a 3-year period with the WBCTi iPA 2015-2017, and the approach turned out to be successful in ensuring coordination, alignment and elimination of duplications, while also being rewarded with high support and wide awareness. On 6th February, the new EU Strategy for the Western Balkans reiterated the importance of the WBCTi in ensuring coherence and synergies of actions². List of actions annexed to the Strategy has been fully integrated into this integrative action plan.

Subsequently, based on the 2015 Brdo Process Ministerial Conference Conclusions, Slovenia proposed to expand the same approach to the area of Internal Security in the Western Balkans. The proposal for the “*Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG)*” was introduced in late 2015 within Council of the EU structures and was endorsed within the Council of the EU in December 2015³ – *as an integrated approach to internal security in the Western Balkans*, again with the strongest implications for all external assistance to regional cooperation efforts and policy reform. The Council Conclusions provided an expansion of the

¹ Council of the EU, “Conclusions of the Council of the EU and of the Member States meeting within the Council on the Integrative and Complementary Approach in the Fight Against Terrorism and Violent Extremism in the Western Balkans”, doc. no. 14986/15, 4 December 2015.

² European Commission COM (2018), *A credible enlargement perspective for and enhanced EU engagement with the Western Balkans*, Strasbourg, 6.2. 2018

³ Council of the EU, “Council conclusions on strengthening the EU internal security's external dimension via the Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG)”, doc. no. 14796/16, 9 December 2016.

approach to two other pillars: Pillar II addressing Serious Crime (Western Balkan Counter Serious Crime initiative) and Pillar III addressing Border Security (Western Balkan Border Security initiative).

IISG aims to strengthen cooperation of the EU with the neighbouring region of the Western Balkans, whose security has had high implications EU's own security. It was also aimed to advance coordination and alignment of actions and assistance on part of the EU as well as the international community, i.e. national actors of the Western Balkan Countries (IISG Beneficiaries), bilateral project managers, actors under whose auspices regional instruments operate, international organisations, EU agencies, EU Member States providing external assistance in all possible frameworks of cooperation, as well as third-state donors. Its objective is to eliminate duplications and overlapping, to identify and fill any gaps in the assistance provided, to enhance synergies and efficient investments and use of resources, and to improve long-term sustainability of assistance and policy solutions. This is to be achieved through the innovative, integrative approach, which builds upon actual needs and priorities identified together with the Western Balkan countries as well as external assistance providers, aiming to achieve the highest possible level of synergy and regional ownership. IISG had been initiated by the EU, but this does not limit its ownership to EU entities; namely a high number of other important international, regional and 3rd state actors (IISG Partners) have recognized the advantage of the approach thus participate on equal terms as co-owners of the IISG policy process.

In September 2017, the ministers of the interior/security of the Brdo Process were convened in the framework of the first, inaugural meeting of the IISG Board, supporting body at the highest level. The "IISG Board Kick-Off Meeting" took place in Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia, on 8th September. The Police Cooperation Convention for Southeast Europe (PCC SEE) Secretariat was appointed by the ministers as the Lead Partner of the WBCSci (Pillar II).

The PCC SEE Secretariat (Lead Partner) entered into preparation of the first multi-annual Integrative Plan of Action (iPA). The final draft was submitted to the members of the IISG Board on 5th March 2018 in view of the discussion and endorsement at the IISG Board Meeting at Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia on 16th March 2018.

II. Methodology

a) Needs Assessment

The European Commission started with the needs identification process in May 2017 at the IPA II 2017 Meeting with IISG Beneficiaries, donors and all relevant implementing partners active in the WB Region (*international organisations, regional mechanisms and other partners*). The dialog with all IISG partners was continued during 2016-2017 and finally agreed at the IPA Board Meeting in July 2017 where the IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action "Support to Integrative Internal Security Governance in the Western Balkans", was endorsed. This action will be implemented through the following four components/strands:

- Countering Serious Crime in WB, where the leading role is entrusted to the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and partners: the Italian Ministry of Interior (as co-delegate as to the grant agreement) and the Centre for International Legal Cooperation (CILC);
- Building Regional Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism Capacity in SEE, entrusted to United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC);
- Pilot project to deploy Europol Liaison Officers in the WB, entrusted to the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol);
- Financial Investigation In-Service Training Programme Western Balkans 2017-2019, entrusted to the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL).

Complementary to the UNODC's strand listed above, implemented in cooperation with CEPOL, the UNODC Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU) was also assigned to conduct independent evaluation of the WBCSci pillar.

The implementing partners in this Action are invited to coordinate their activities with the IISG Support Group. At the Jable meeting, the implementing partners of all four components, supported by the PCC SEE Secretariat and the IISG Support Group, familiarised the Beneficiaries with the framework of the IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action Programme ("Multi-Country Support to the Western Balkan Integrative Internal Security Governance").

The formal consultations with the Beneficiaries were initiated by the Lead Partner and the IISG Support Group in late September 2017, after receiving the formal mandate on 8th September 2017. To conclude the drafting of the initial concept iPA based on a list of priorities, the PCC SEE Secretariat convened a Strategic Preparation Meeting on Priorities and Needs Assessment at Jable, Slovenia, on 9–10 November 2017, convening Beneficiaries' experts, representing ministries of interior/security and police services, and EU and international partners – implementing partners in the IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action Programme. The priorities of the EU Policy Cycle 2018-2021 were presented by Europol and fully considered, so were the different existing national reports on threat assesments executed by the Beneficiaries as well as the Regional SOCTA developed jointly by the interior ministries of Serbia, Montenegro and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia in 2016.

The list of 11 priority needs of the WBCSci iPA 2018-2020 was agreed at the Jable meeting, fully considering also additional, nationally coordinated written contributions received from the Beneficiaries prior to or following the meeting:

- To improve efficiency of Serious Crime investigations
- To improve financial investigations of Serious Crime
- Fight against Cybercrime
- To enable automated exchange of data in the Western Balkans
- To tackle facilitated Illegal Migration and Migrant Smuggling
- Fight against Corruption

- Fight against Money Laundering
- Illicit Drugs, incl. their online sale
- To improve cross-border exchange of information
- To improve Witness Protection
- Illicit Firearms

Beneficiaries also appointed formal IISG Points of Contact as well as Points of Contact specifically for the WBCSCi pillar in writing by end January 2018.

During stage 2 of consultations, the agreed list of regional priorities was used in further preparation of the draft iPA 2018-2020, where the Lead Partner proceeded with a round of consultations with all relevant IISG Partners during November 2017 – February 2018, incl. EU, UN and different actors hosting/supporting regional instruments. On 21st February 2018, the draft WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 was discussed at the Committee of Internal Security (COSI) in the Council of the EU. The Lead Partner received written comments at the level of the COSI Committee following the 5th February submission of the WBCSCi iPA initial concept to the COSI Support Group on part of the Slovenian delegation. On 21st February 2018, the IISG Chair presented the state-of-play in the development of the iPA at the COSI session in the Council of the EU. A high-level consultation meeting with Europol followed on 22nd February 2018, discussing further communication and important topics of possible further alignment related to priorities and actions gathered by the iPA.

The Lead Partner and the IISG Support Group took part in the national Kick-Off Workshops of the project “Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans” (IPA II 2017) led by GIZ, CILC and the Italian Ministry of Interior, taking place in Belgrade (19-20 Feb), Sarajevo (22-23 Feb), Tirana (26-27 Feb), Podgorica (28 Feb-2 Mar), Pristina (5-6 Mar) and Skopje (8-9 Mar). Participants representing police services, public prosecutor’s offices, ministries of interior and justice from each Beneficiary engaged in additional needs assessments and planning for the implementation of this strand of the IPAII2017 Multi-Country Action Programme, which will be based largely on Embedded Country Teams (team of resident PPO adviser and police adviser in each Beneficiary). IISG Support Group familiarised the participants with the IISG and the draft version of the iPA. Participants were able to apply its relevant findings on existing and planned actions in their needs analysis and planning. They also contributed their concrete needs to be addressed by the project as additional feedback to the draft iPA.

On 23rd February 2018, the draft iPA 2018-2020 was submitted to contributing IISG Partners (EU, UN, other international and regional actors, other state donors, supporting countries) for final comments regarding their own contributions. On 5th March 2018, the resulting draft iPA was submitted to the members of the IISG Board in view of the final endorsement at the IISG Board Meeting in Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia on 16th March 2018.

b) Prioritisation

To ensure efficient planning and implementation, the objectives and ensuing actions are to be considered in accordance with the following criteria: (1) those that will offer a result in the short-term and are urgently needed; (2) those that are addressing the root causes of a problem and/or are of strategic importance and are thus expected to bear positive long-term impact; (3) those that offer a response to threats estimated as the most significant to the internal security of the Western Balkan region and to European security as a whole; as well as (4) cross-cutting inter-pillar security threats and horizontal needs.

Prioritisation also takes into account the following two parameters: (1) existing level of interest on part of partners to take the lead in an action addressing an objective; and (2) funding available to conduct a certain action that will avoid the lack of implementation.

The consultations resulted in the following WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 priorities:

- To improve the cooperation between police and prosecution in the investigation phase;
- To increase the capacities of national authorities to conduct financial investigations, incl. national specialized units;
- To identify and address gaps in cross-border operational cooperation in the Western Balkans, incl. based on provisions of existing regional law enforcement cooperation legal bases and in implementing relevant bilateral agreements transferring EU and UN standards;
- To enhance cooperation with Europol and Cepol and further implement operational agreements with EU agencies;
- To improve contribution of Beneficiaries' authorities to Europol's tools and instruments in the framework of relevant Operational Action Plans and better use of Europol tools, including its deployed Liaison Officers to the Western Balkans;
- To support operational meetings in cross-border investigation cases;
- To improve and support the use of Joint Investigation Teams, incl. enhancing cooperation with Eurojust;
- To consolidate efforts transferring standards and good EU practice on intelligence-led policing in the Western Balkans;
- To ensure synergies between the activities of the EU Policy Cycle in the Fight Against Serious Crime 2018-2021 and activities of this integrative plan of action (incl. by considering of inviting WB partners and IISG Support Group representatives, where relevant, to a National EMPACT Coordinators meeting for a specific session);
- To enable automated exchange of data following EU standards (EU Prüm-inspired framework);
- To implement targeted training in various aspects of investigations, incl. considerations on necessary equipment;
- To enhance interagency (and international) cooperation between cybercrime units, financial investigators and financial intelligence units at the domestic level in the search, seizure and confiscation of online crime proceeds;

- To address the lack of interpretation with a regional pool of interpreters for authorities dealing with migrant smuggling/THB and cross-border investigations;
- To strengthen the capacities of national authorities in the fight against corruption;
- To improve regional cross-border information exchange, incl. in the framework of EU information exchange.

c) Cross-cutting inter-pillar security threats identified by the IISG partners:

IISG Partners in the WBCSCi pillar have identified the following cross-cutting IISG (inter-pillar) fields of action to be listed in the WBCSCi iPA, the actions of which, both ongoing and planned, will be subject to IISG inter-pillar coordination (i.e. they may appear in more than one Integrated Plan of Action) within the IISG – to be read together with the WBCTi iPA and WBBSi iPA for the period 2018-2020:

- *Fake and forged travel documents*
- *Organised property crime and money laundering*
- *Facilitated illegal migration*
- *Illicit firearms*

The topic of illicit firearms is both a priority in terms of fighting Serious Crime of this iPA as well as a threat subject to cross-pillar coordination. In relation to the latter, the existing mandate of SEESAC is to be noted here, as it will facilitate coordination of activities related to arms control and combatting illicit trafficking of firearms, based on the “Regional Implementation Plan on Combatting Proliferation of Small Arms and Light Weapons in South East Europe”. SEESAC is invited to conduct a regular exchange information with the IISG Support Group to the benefit of the successful achievement of the objectives of this iPA and IISG.

IISG Partners have identified the following additional horizontal needs:

- To further develop information exchange between WB Countries and between them and relevant EU agencies and relevant international partners, including information of operational nature, taking into account the principle of reciprocity and further development of automated data exchange;
- To set-up a WB pool of CT and P/CVE experts represented also by Beneficiary Countries’ experts, following terms of reference developed in close cooperation with donors who will provide funding.

d) Planning of activities

Some activities have been well defined and/or are ongoing, moving toward reaching their conclusion. Their drivers have inserted clear and final objectives of their actions into the table of the iPA, commenting also on follow-up (if any). Other actions will be further developed later, by seeking the assistance of the IISG Support

The IISG Support Group will, as part of its core business, work to enhance coordination and support to WBCSCi Partners in the implementation of their actions and will reflect the agreed outcomes accordingly in adjustment of the iPA as a living document, whose main aim is to visualise and enhance coordination of actions, either ongoing or planned (with follow-up from concluded efforts), at a certain point in time. The WBCSCi partners will continue to be consulted either by the Lead Partner directly or within the IISG Support Group's wider coordination activities, incl. in available other venues. They are invited to provide regular updates and reports on activities – in line with the *IISG Terms of Reference* adopted on 8th September 2017 at the IISG Kick-Off Conference. The IISG Support Group will regularly adjust and provide updated versions of the WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 on the IISG website (<http://wbcsci.wb-iisg.com/>; <http://www.wb-iisg.com/>). Overall, the facilitation of coordination and cooperation with WBCSCi Partners and also other external donors, executed on behalf of the IISG Support Group, will be done in accordance with the *IISG Terms of Reference*.

e) Funding

The funding of the WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 activities will not be limited to the EU IPA II 2016 Regional Action. The iPA methodology namely integrates the funding already available for activities/processes supported by IISG Partners' funding or external (incl. EU) donors merely investing in iPA objectives. Offering assistance to WBCSCi partners in financial planning of the overall iPA implementation is one of the main tasks of the Lead Partner granted by the *IISG Terms of Reference*. At the same time, all IISG Partners report to their donors independently and in line with any existing formal requirements.

The total budget of the IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action Programme "Support to Western Balkan Integrative Internal Security Governance" (IPA 2017/039-402.09/MC/Security Governance"), launched in late December 2017, is: EUR 21 625 000 (EU Contribution: EUR 20 000 000). It is to be implemented until 31 December 2021.

The total budget of the component Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans is: EUR 14 500 000 (EU Contribution: EUR 13 000 000; German Government: EUR 1 500 00).

Funding for the evaluation of the WBCSCi Pillar within IISG will be provided from the budget of this action and executed by the UNODC Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU).

The total budget of the component Building Regional Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism Capacity in SEE, entrusted to United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), is: EUR 2 612 964 (EU Contribution: EUR 2 500 000).

The EU contribution for the Pilot project to deploy Europol Liaison Officers in the WB, entrusted to the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation (Europol) is EUR 2 000 000.

The EU contribution for the Financial Investigation In-Service Training Programme Western Balkans 2017-2019, entrusted to the European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training is EUR 2 500 000.

The WBCSci iPA represents a reference document to all donors contributing towards the realization of its priorities and actions. All WBCSci iPA partners, who support their actions financially, are considered as financial contributors to the WBCSci iPA.

f) IISG mechanism

The intra-pillar coordination of activities within this iPA is a fundamental task of implementing the IISG Support Group (IISG SG) in the Western Balkan region, formally established by the IISG Board at the IISG Kick-Off Conference at ministerial level hosted by the Brdo Process ministerial framework in Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia on 8th September 2017. The WBCSci Lead Partner as well as all Partners contributing or supporting at least one activity within any of the iPAs (pillars) are considered IISG Partners. They are invited to contribute to thorough intra-pillar coordination, to execute regular mutual communication, to exchange information and to report to the Lead Partner in line with any relevant donor requirements, as is provided by the *IISG Terms of Reference* endorsed by the ministers at the IISG Kick-Off Conference, Brdo at Kranj, 8 September 2018.

Chart 1: IISG mechanism structure as endorsed on 8th September 2017



IISG SUPPORT GROUP

IISG CHAIR / HEAD OF THE IISG SUPPORT GROUP

Lead Partners: SI-AT-DCAF
Ljubljana

Lead Partners: PCC SEE Secretariat –
UNODC (proposal)

Lead Partners: AT-DCAF
Ljubljana



g) Communication with WBCSci Beneficiaries, international partners and donors

Communication with WBCSci Beneficiaries, partners and external donors is ensured by following concept:

- WBCSci Partnership communicates via designated contact points on a regular basis or *ad hoc* basis during the planning, implementation or evaluation phase of their actions. IISG Support Group is available and actively engages, in accordance with its mandate, to enhance coordination and to support all WBCSci partners to avoid duplication and overlapping, to address priorities in accordance with this plan of action, to support them actively when seeking for funding, expertise or partners for joint activities;
- Beneficiaries have designated WBCSci and/or IISG contact point to enhance communication;
- Besides regular communication with the IISG Support Group, the donors meet and discuss priorities, needs and state of play at relevant regional donor coordination events held in/outside the Western Balkan region, where the presence of the Lead Partner will be encouraged.

The modalities and processes of endorsement of the iPA, its further development and implementation is reflected in the IISG *Terms of Reference* adopted on 8th September 2017 in Brdo pri Kranju, Slovenia, at the ministerial IISG Kick-Off Conference.

h) Logical Framework

Impact	To improve the overall security in the Western Balkans and Europe by addressing the challenges of occurring forms of Serious Crime
Outcomes	<p>1 <i>Sustainable capacities developed for efficient tackling occurring forms of Serious Crime in the Western Balkans, incl. enhanced capacities for cooperation between police and prosecution</i></p> <p>2 <i>Increased rate of investigated Serious Crime and Corruption cases in the Western Balkans</i></p> <p>3 <i>Closer alignment with EU and other international mechanisms for cooperation</i></p> <p>4 <i>Sustainable use of necessary equipment, based on relevant needs assessments</i></p> <p>5 <i>Improved governance of regional and international cooperation relevant for Countering Serious Crime and Corruption in the Western Balkans and EU</i></p>
Outputs with indicators	<p>1.1 Local actors increase their skills and knowledge on investigating Serious Crime and Corruption</p> <p>1.1.1 No. of needs assessments with sustainable follow-up achieved</p> <p>1.1.2 No. of legislative/regulatory pieces reviewed</p> <p>1.1.3 No. of fact finding missions on investigative fields based on cases analysed</p> <p>1.1.4 The extent to which sustainable network of contacts is built and mutual trust is built with professional counterparts in the region and wider</p> <p>1.1.5 No. of inter-agency cooperation protocols concluded</p> <p>1.1.6 No. of case analyses conducted</p> <p>1.1.7 The extent to which awareness is raised and good practice delivered to judges</p> <p>1.1.8 The extent to which gender issues are integrated into transferred knowledge on investigating Serious Crime and Corruption</p> <p>1.1.9 The extent to which the role of the civil society is increased in forming policy solutions against relevant forms of Serious Crime and Corruption</p> <p>1.2 Capacities enhanced on investigative techniques</p> <p>1.2.1 No. of needs assessments with sustainable follow-up achieved</p> <p>1.2.2 The extent to which local actors are delivered relevant expertise on strengthening measures against corruption</p> <p>1.2.3 The extent to which interoperability is achieved on part of relevant police units with international databases</p> <p>1.2.4 The extent to which a regional pool/similar mechanism is made operational as to rationalised investment related to human resources with interpretation skills (e.g. a regional interpreters pool for needs of investigations, esp. in dealing with migrant smuggling and THB), and made sustainable</p> <p>1.2.5 No. of experiences exchanged, good practices transferred via regional networking</p> <p>1.2.6 No. of regional networks established related to cross-border investigative fields</p>

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| | <p>1.2.7 The no. of steps taken to improve and enhance exchange of information between police services and PPO at the national level on cases in all phases of investigation in line with EU standards</p> <p>1.3 Based on relevant training needs assessments, local actors improve their skills on specific needs</p> <p>1.3.1. Relevant training needs assessments and their updates</p> <p>1.3.2. Delivered joint trainings and training tools for police and PPO</p> <p>1.3.3. The extent to which national actors support a sustainable training needs assessment</p> <p>1.3.4. No. of transferred e-learning tools, incl. modules into a sustainable e-learning environment of local institutions competent for education and training and on-the-job training</p> <p>1.3.5. No. of updates to e-learning tools, incl. modules into a sustainable e-learning environment of local institutions competent for education and training and on-the-job training</p> <p>1.3.6. No. of executed courses based on Train-the-Trainers with sustainable follow-up/dissemination of knowledge</p> <p>1.3.7. No. of exchanges in relevant exchange programmes</p> <p>1.3.8. No. of instances of supported local actors' participation in external (incl. EU) trainings</p> <p>1.3.9. No. of training strategies produced/reviewed by national actors</p> <p>1.3.9 The extent to which local actors receive relevant knowledge on prevention of corruption, risk management</p> <p>1.3.9 No. of case-focused trainings delivered</p> <p>1.4 Enhanced information sharing and improved intelligence exchange mechanisms</p> <p>1.4.1. The extent to which progress is made by local actors towards improved information sharing/intelligence exchange mechanisms among national stakeholders (inter-agency)</p> <p>1.4.2. The extent to which progress is made by local actors towards improved information sharing/intelligence exchange mechanisms among two or more Beneficiaries (international)</p> <p>1.4.3. The extent to which progress is made by local actors towards improved information sharing/intelligence exchange mechanisms involving EU member states/agencies (WB-EU)</p> <p>1.4.4. No. of relevant assessments with endorsed follow-up, awareness raised</p> <p>1.4.5. No. of relevant guidelines, regulatory proposals endorsed and implemented</p> <p>1.4.6 The extent to which relevant national databases are linked and brought to the level of relevant EU and international standards</p> <p>1.5 Improved intelligence-led policing in the Western Balkan region</p> <p>1.5.1. Situational reports prepared on crime fields with relevance to iPA areas of action</p> <p>1.5.2. No. of strategic threat assessment reports in line with EU standards prepared</p> <p>1.5.3. The extent to which relevant reports are disseminated and applied in the implementation of intelligence-led policing in respective Beneficiaries</p> |
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	<p>1.5.4. The extent to which national gaps in the implementation of intelligence-led policing (full cycle) are identified and addressed</p> <p>1.5.5. The extent to which good EU practice and methodology is transferred to Beneficiaries' authorities</p> <p>2.1 Increased rate of investigated Serious Crime and Corruption Cases in the Western Balkans (to be measured in coordination with monitoring team of the IPAII2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans")</p> <p>2.1.1 No. of JITs initiated based on integrated support offered through the vehicle of WBCSci</p> <p>2.1.2 No. of operational meetings held between Beneficiaries' authorities and between Beneficiaries and EU Member States</p> <p>2.1.3 No. of cross-border investigations supported based on integrated support through the vehicle of WBCSci</p> <p>2.1.4. No. of investigations of SC and corruption leading to prosecution based on integrated support through the vehicle of WBCSci</p> <p>2.1.5 No. of exchanges of information at the international level during all phases of investigation between Beneficiaries and between Beneficiaries and EU Member States</p> <p>2.1.6 No. of assets seizures</p> <p>2.1.7 The extent to which the no. of protected witnesses and collaborators of justice coming onto the witness protection programme is increased</p> <p>3.1 Raised awareness and cooperation established between local actors and relevant EU, UN and other international mechanisms for cooperation</p> <p>3.1.1. The extent to which WB authorities cooperate in the implementation of the relevant EMPACT OAPs operating under the auspices of the EU Policy Cycle 2018-2021</p> <p>3.1.2. No. of exchanges of experience benefited by Beneficiaries, incl. via relevant EU and other networks representing LE/judiciary services</p> <p>3.2 Advanced process of integration into EU frameworks for cooperation</p> <p>3.2.1 The extent to which local actors achieve progress in the conclusion of cooperation agreements with EU and international entities</p> <p>4.1 Sustainable provision of equipment and facilities</p> <p>4.1.1. No. of executed equipment needs assessments in a field of LE/judiciary policy area</p> <p>4.1.2. No. of specialized equipment provisions (incl. software)</p> <p>4.1.3. No. of plans for sustainability of equipment use</p> <p>4.1.4. The extent to which local actors provide support to sustainable equipment pool/repository based on existing legal bases</p> <p>5.1 Efficient policy solutions through regional and international cooperation instruments delivered</p> <p>5.1.1 No. of instances of reported linkages, formal cooperation arrangements, points of alignment as to local actors' contributions to relevant existing international</p>
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	<p>instruments/frameworks for strategic and operational cooperation based on the support provided through the IISG</p> <p>5.1.2 The extent to which membership in existing regional cooperation instruments is consolidated/adapted to occurring needs of local actors in countering Serious Crime and Corruption</p> <p>5.1.3 The extent to which regional ownership in regional cooperation instruments is increased</p> <p>5.1.4 No. of practical gaps in operation of available security cooperation instruments and frameworks identified and addressed based on support provided by IISG and endorsement of local actors</p> <p>5.1.5 No. of relevant analyses, studies and relevant reports issued offering recommendations for development of efficient policies targeting regional and EU-WB cooperation</p> <p>5.1.6 No. of political decisions delivered related to enhancing use of existing cooperation frameworks and instruments</p> <p>5.1.7 The extent to which regional expert pool/similar mechanism intended to enable sustainable knowledge transfer based on EU, UN and other relevant international standards is made functional and used</p> <p>5.1.8 No. of efforts (actions) concluded based on facilitation executed with IISG cross-pillar coordination</p>
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i) Monitoring and Evaluation, including Reporting

The IISG Support Group will run a continuous process of collecting and analysing information throughout to assess and monitor the quality of the implementation of the WBCSCi Integrative Plan of Action 2018-2020. Monitoring will focus on measurable outputs and deliverables. The IISG Board will be regularly informed as well as each stakeholder upon its request of progress and difficulties in achieving results and compared achievements with those expected from the very onset. The IISG Support Group will suggest to the IISG Board to take any necessary corrective measures. The foreseen frequency of monitoring reporting is annual.

The IISG Monitoring and Evaluation Framework, as provided by the *IISG Terms of Reference*, will be based on internationally recognised standards and practices. It will also provide a detailed description of the process of measuring the IISG/WBCSCi results framework provided in the above Logical Framework, including the division of roles and responsibilities in data collection and how the data will be used.

Evaluation

Additionally, independent evaluations will assess the design and efficiency of the WBCSCi, identify which expected results have been achieved and which have not been achieved and provide the reasons why in order to re-direct the actions foreseen. The WBCSCi will undergo a mid-term evaluation and a final independent evaluation, considering also the broader context of the IISG governance structure and mechanism. The mid-term/formative evaluation will enable an analysis in particular of the design and

relevance of the WBCSCi as well as efficiency, effectiveness, sustainability, partnership and coordination as well as human rights and gender equality. The mid-term evaluation is planned to be conducted between June/July 2018 to April 2019. A final independent evaluation is in the planning. Both evaluations will allow lessons to be learned and progress to be built further towards a future WBCSCi Integrative Plan of Action.

The system of evaluation will incorporate the flexibility necessary to take account of the inevitable changes and adaptations that will occur during the 2018-2020 implementation period as the WBCSCi iPA remains a living document, flexibly answering to occurring needs and alignments. These changes may result in more or less significant adjustments to the strategic goals or objectives selected, which will require changes to the actions themselves. The evaluation framework will be based on internationally recognised standards and processes, and will be conducted by the UNODC Independent Evaluation Unit (IEU).

WBCSCi Partners (international partners, regional mechanisms, donors and Beneficiaries) shall appoint contact points for communication with the IISG Support Group and take responsibility to inform the IISG Support Group in the foreseen timeframe for monitoring and evaluation on achieved results and potential obstacles identified as well as active engagement and participation in the independent evaluation processes. The IISG Support Group must provide the IISG Board with timely information and analysis of the issued reports to enable the taking of any decisions necessary.

j) Identified Needs translated into Objectives and Actions

The below clusters of actions are based on the resulting list of needs obtained at the Strategic WBCSCi Preparation meeting in Jable, Slovenia, between 9–10 November 2017, later complemented during regular consultation with all WBCSCi partners and Beneficiaries until 1st February 2018 as well as IISG cross-pillar coordination. They are to be transformed into further and more detailed activities feeding into the objectives identified.

NEED ADDRESSED	ACTION	EXPECTED OUTPUTS	DRIVER (S)	STATUS / TIMELINE	FUNDING
1 To improve efficiency of Serious Crime investigations	1.1 Investigative support and capacity-building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobilising Embedded Country Teams (ECTs) consisting of police and PPO advisor to provide permanent support to ongoing investigations of Serious Crime, incl. the recovery of illegal financial gains obtained through diverse types of cross-border crime and the fight against migrant smuggling - Support and advisory to operational meetings; - Enhanced prerequisites for concluding of implementing cooperation agreements with Eurojust; - Enhancing use of Joint Investigation Teams and joint actions/operations across the region; - Improving cooperation between police and prosecution (including specialised units); - Capacity-building to counter Serious Crime, incl. improve legislation and regulations for cross-border police and judicial cooperation; increase knowledge and skills on specific topics arising on short notice from practical cooperation and joint investigations; - Enhanced framework of information and data exchange with relevant European and regional authorities; - Improved effectiveness and strengthened operational capacities and capabilities of 	GIZ/CLIC, Italy Europol	ongoing 1 Jan 18 – 31 Dec 19	IPA/2017 strand “Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans”, part of EU IPAI/2017 <i>Multi-Country Action “Support to Western Balkan Integrative Internal Security Governance”</i>

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		<p>respective police units on pre-investigations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance operational and judicial cooperation, incl. with EU agencies in the fight against international organised crime, in particular firearms, drug trafficking, migrant smuggling and trafficking in human beings; - Enhance the use of targeted tools such as the freezing of criminal proceeds, third-party confiscation, non-conviction-based confiscation, increased information sharing via SIENA; consider the setting-up of SMART objectives; - Enhancing the use of JITs and joint actions/operations across the region. 	<p>Europol</p>	<p>Ongoing 2018-2019</p>	<p>IPAI12017 strand "Pilot project to deploy Europol Liaison Officers in the WB", part of EU IPAI12017 Multi-Country Action "Support to Western Balkan Integrative Internal Security Governance")</p>
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identifying and addressing gaps (needs in cross-border operational cooperation in WB Contracting Parties, incl. based on PCC SEE provisions and developed capacities and implementing agreements - Transfer of good practice and experience between WB Contracting Parties 	<p>PCC SEE</p>	<p>Initiated</p>	<p>Seeking funding</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practical exercises on cross-border surveillance activities aimed at improving national capacities for execution of CBS activities, identification of legal and practical gaps in the implementation of the PCC SEE provided cross-border police cooperation tools, improvement in exchange of data during CBS activities - PCC SEE SENSEE (Thematic Working Group on Surveillance Expert Network for SEE) meetings - Cooperation with Europol, incl. in ARGOS (Assembly of Regional Groups of Surveillance) - Support and coordination of cross-border operations, incl. follow-up investigative support. - Enhancing Beneficiaries' capacities for countering mobile organized crime groups; establish a sustainable system for exchange of experience and modus operandi 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DCAF PCC SEE, Europol ICPO Interpol DCAF 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreseen 2018-2020 Ongoing Foreseen 2018-2020 (bi-annual regional workshops) Foreseen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking funding available 2018 (2019-2020 seeking funding) Interpol's Strategy for the European Region 2017-2020 Seeking funding 	

NEED ADDRESSED	ACTION	EXPECTED OUTPUTS	DRIVER (S)	STATUS / TIMELINE	FUNDING
	<u>Kosovo*</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to investigate and prosecute war crime cases by applying legal tools of international criminal law - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to plan and interview witnesses and victims of war crime cases (four-day workshop) <p>1.2 Law enforcement and judiciary training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementing Erasmus-inspired exchange program in line with the identified needs between WB countries' and EU MSs' staff of dedicated units - Multilayered training activities such as residential courses, webinars, online courses - Capacity-building training to improve countries' fight against serious crime, incl. fiscal crime, weapons trafficking and immigration crime. - Targetted training 	EULEX <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to investigate and prosecute war crime cases by applying legal tools of international criminal law - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to plan and interview witnesses and victims of war crime cases (four-day workshop) <p>CEPOL (core activities)</p> <p>CEPOL (core activities)</p> <p>UK</p> <p>ICPO Interpol</p>	Ongoing 2017-2018 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to investigate and prosecute war crime cases by applying legal tools of international criminal law - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to plan and interview witnesses and victims of war crime cases (four-day workshop) <p>ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing (2017-2018)</p>	WB participation – funding sought [§] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to investigate and prosecute war crime cases by applying legal tools of international criminal law - Enhancing the capacities of Kosovo* prosecutors to plan and interview witnesses and victims of war crime cases (four-day workshop) <p>WB participation – funding sought</p> <p>Available (UK)</p>	Interpol's Strategy for the European Region 2017-2020

[§] LE officers from WB may attend these courses on the basis of working arrangement with CEPOL. Their participation may be funded by WB partner or CEPOL when appropriate.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addressed need for regional strategic training needs assessment; i.e. coordination of trainings - Develop training for prosecutors on PCC SEE as a legal basis for international legal cooperation; use existing tools on training on PCC SEE - Specialized training on special investigation techniques - Integrated training center for detection/investigation of firearms trafficking on Internet (in deep web/dark net markets) - Establishment of a DarkNet training room - Organize specialized training sessions - Specialized trainings/workshops on covert investigations 	<p>SEPCA (MKD Chairmanship 2018)</p> <p>PCC SEE</p> <p>SELEC</p>	<p>foreseen</p>	<p>Seeking funding</p> <p>Ongoing 2017-2018</p>	<p>Project SIRAS (seeking funding from 2019 onwards)</p>
	<u><i>Albania – PAMECA V Project</i></u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to further improve the capacities of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA), Albanian State Police (ASP), prosecution offices and their supporting structures in meeting their objectives of tackling serious and organised crime and drug trafficking in a proactive manner - to further improve coordinating mechanisms of MIA, ASP, PO and other relevant law enforcement agencies in addressing challenges in the fight against crime, 	<p>Italian Gov't with Austria and France</p>	<p>ongoing (20 Apr 2017 -) 40 months</p>	<p>IPA II 2015 - EU PAMECA V project "Consolidation to Law Enforcement Agencies – Support to the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Albanian State</p>

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		<p>terrortisms, corruption, money laundering and financial crime</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advisory support, technical and strategic, legal assessments, compilations of relevant EU <i>acquis</i>, trainings/workshops, practical simulation exercises at central and local levels, study visits, site visits. <p><u>Kosovo*</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Train-the-Trainers training on interviewing and management of vulnerable victims of Serious Crime to build self-sustaining capacity within the KP, focusing esp. on cognitive interview skills and techniques and human rights 	EULEX	Planned	available
		<p><u>Kosovo*</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training for Kosovo* prosecutors on collecting evidence from Facebook and other social media platforms; investigative techniques – two-day workshop 	EULEX	Planned	available
1.3 Supporting operational meetings, joint operations		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Embedded Country Teams (ECTs) can offer <i>ad hoc</i> advice and logistical support to pre-investigation meetings with the aim to improve the capacity of the relevant institutions to tackle occurring forms of SC, incl. the recovery of illegal financial gains obtained through diverse types of cross-border crime and the fight against migrant smuggling 	GIZ, CILC and Italy	Foreseen	IPA II 2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans"

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Conduct targeted meetings on concrete cases related to trans-border organized crime - Supporting the joint investigations initiated by Western Balkans countries and preparing analytical reports, based on request 	SELEC	Ongoing	SELEC work programme (seeking additional funding)
2	Support operational activities of Beneficiaries in combating various forms of cross-border criminality:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Organising Common action days aimed at countering organized criminal groups ii. Improved capacities in conduct of common operational activities and operational results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional operations, incl. initiating joint operations (part of SELEC work programme) 	DCAF	Foreseen 2018-2020	Seeking funding
2.1	Enhancing use of Joint Investigation Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support provided to cooperation of beneficiaries with relevant European and regional authorities and the use of regional instruments - PCC SEE JIT Network meetings within the PCC SEE format; - Supporting operational meetings based on casework, incl. ad hoc 	GIZ/CLIC, IT	IPB II 2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in WB"	
2.2	Improving digital forensics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further enhancing cooperation with EU Network of National Experts on Joint Investigation Teams and EUROJUST - Training on providing cyber evidence during investigations and in proceedings - Training on gathering and analysis of information from social networks 	PCC SEE, Eurojust	initiated foreseen	Seeking additional funding seeking funding

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2.3 Improving cooperation between police and prosecution (including specialized units)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobilization of EU MS Prosecutors and National Legal Advisors - Mobilization of Embedded Country Teams (EU MS Seconded Prosecutors, Italian Seconded Police Officers and National Legal Officers) - Support to cooperation of beneficiaries with relevant European and regional authorities and the use of regional instruments - Provision of support to the process of concluding Cooperation Agreements between the beneficiaries and Eurojust (in the case of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina and Serbia) or support to implementation (in the case of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Montenegro) - Improved skills and knowledge of police and PPO services on specific topics arising on short-notice from practical cooperation and joint investigations - Further enhance the cooperation between the Police and Customs Liaison Officers posted by at SELEC within the prosecutors of the Southeast European Prosecutors Advisory Group (SEEPAG) functioning under SELEC auspices. - Conducting practical exercises 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GIZ, CLIC, Italy 	Ongoing	IPAI/2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans"	SELEC work programme, additional funding sought

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2.4 Improve intelligence-led policing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Standard Operative Procedures - MIS (Management Information System) - At least two joint analytical products per year on the latest threats affecting the European region, esp. in the area of cyber crime - Situational/analytical strategic reports on criminal phenomena in SEE, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organized Crime Threat Assessment for Southeast Europe (OCTA SEE) is prepared by SELEC on a regular basis – next one to be finalized by July 2018 • Report on Drug Seizures in Southeast Europe • Report of Tobacco Products Smuggling in Southeast Europe • Report on Vehicles Crimes • Container Security Assessment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - SEPCA (MKD chairmanship 2018) - Europol - ICPO Interpol - SELEC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - foreseen - - ongoing - Ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Interpol's Strategy for European Region 2017-2020 business plan - SELEC work programme, additional funding sought (incl. for publishing) 	

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	Kosovo*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assistance to KP in enhancing the implementation of ILP and strategic planning at management level; focusing on improving strategic assessment/evaluation, the knowledge of strategic planning/reporting and more solid implementation at all levels of KP 	EULEX	Ongoing 2017-2018	available
2.5 Technical / equipment dimension		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore possibility to enhance exchange of equipment based on relevant PCC SEE provisions <i>(cross-pillar coordinated – WBBS) to develop a common repository</i> 	PCC SEE, DCAF	Foreseen 2019	Seeking funding
2 To improve financial investigations of Serious Crime	2.1 Increase capacities of national actors to conduct financial investigations and support to investigations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training strategy and roadmap for all jurisdictions (national actors: Financial Intelligence Units analysts, police and other LEAs, prosecutors & judges) - Meeting of national focal points - Training needs assessment (TNA) - Trainings delivered, incl. T-o-T , on financial investigations (LEAs and all jurisdictions) - Establishment of Working Groups of national trainers (WGNTs) in all jurisdictions - Trainings on learning and methodology - Development of national curricula on Financial Investigations 	UNODC and Cepol	Ongoing 1.1.2018-31.12.2019	IPAI/2017 Multi-Country Action “Support to IISG in the Western Balkans” strands
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthened operational capacities and capabilities of respective LE units to conduct cross-border investigations and prosecutions 	GIZ, CILC, Italy	Ongoing 1.1.2018-31.12.2019	IPAI/2017 strand “Countering

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		<p>of SC, esp. to undertake financial investigations and to fight illegal migrant smuggling;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved effectiveness of LE units on investigations and prosecutions through more efficient cooperation with European and regional authorities and the use of regional instruments, esp. Europol, Interpol, PCC SEE and Eurojust; - Increased efforts to improve legislation and regulations for cross-border police and judicial cooperation; - Improved skills and knowledge on specific topics arising on short notice from practical cooperation and joint investigations; - Enhanced prerequisites for concluding or implementing cooperation agreements with Eurojust; - Enhanced framework of information and data exchange between respective police units and relevant European and regional authorities; - Improved effectiveness and strengthened operational capacities on pre-investigations; - Improved skills on special investigation techniques, asset recovery; 			Serious and Organised Crime"

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <u>Kosovo*</u> - Advanced training on criminal asset investigations (improve participants' skills in investigative methods and ability to detect criminal assets through financial analysis.) - <u>Kosovo*</u> - Advanced training on freezing, restraining and confiscating criminal assets (training will pinpoint legal possibilities of freezing, restraining and confiscating criminal assets within the Kosovo * legislation) - Regional Two-and-a-half day training seminar for high- and middle-level law enforcement managers and managers within national law enforcement training institutions on ILP and its implementation. Based on the OSCE Guidebook on Intelligence-Led Policing. Training schedule already developed. Delivery planned in Q2-3 2018. (Guidebook published in 2017 in ENG, ALB, B/C/S, MAC, RUS languages). - follow up (to above): This regional training seminar can be followed in 2019 by national training courses for law enforcement managers on ILP and its national implementation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - OMik April 2018 available - OMik Sep 2018 available - OSCE Strategic Police Matters Unit foreseen - OSCE Strategic Police Matters Unit foreseen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seeking - seeking 		

* This designation is without prejudice to the position on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/99 and the ICJ opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sharing suspicious transaction reports (STRS) with AP SUSTRANS at Europol and referring asset recovery cases to the Europol Criminal Assets Bureau (ECAB) Targeted financial investigation training Establish or strengthen national agencies responsible for asset recovery (Asset Recovery Offices and Asset Management Offices) and for preventing and fighting corruption, money laundering and organised crime(Anti-Corruption Agencies, Financial Intelligence Units, dedicated units for investigating money laundering and organised crime) 	Europol	Ongoing 2018-2019	IPA 2017 strand "Pilot project to deploy Europol Liaison Officers in the WB" and strand "Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans"
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two-day needs assessment workshop in Belgrade (tbc.) on capacity-building support in the area of financial investigations and criminal assets recovery in countering OC. Organized and held in co-operation with OSCE field missions in SEE. Capacity-building activities developed on basis of the needs assessment to be delivered in 2019-2020. <p>(CEPOL Financial Investigation project)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Identification of training needs - Implementing training in line with the identified needs for staff of FIUs, AMLUs, AROs, SOC units of WB countries 	OSCE, Strategic Police Matters Unit with OSCE field missions in SEE	Needs assessment foreseen in June 2018	IPAI 2017 strand "Financial Investigation"

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementing international (regional) workshops in line with the identified needs staff of FIUs, AMLUs, AROS, SOC units of WB countries and EU MS - Implementing exchange program in line with the identified needs between WB countries' and EU MSS' staff of dedicated units - Multilayered training activities such as residential courses, webinars, online courses, exchange program. Law enforcement officers from WB may attend these courses on the basis of working arrangement with the CEPOL. The participation may be funded by WB partner or CEPOL if appropriate - Implementing Erasmus-inspired exchange program in line with the identified needs between WB countries' and EU MSS' staff of dedicated units - Training on detection of new forms of financial crime, money laundering by bitcoins, crypto-currencies - Training on the latest technology, special techniques and special investigative methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CEPOL (core activities) - CEPOL (core activities) - CEPOL - MKD SEPCA Chairmanship 2018 - SELEC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In-Service Training Programme Western Balkans 2017-2019" - <i>WB participation – funding sought</i> - <i>FAIT Project (2018-2019)</i> 		

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		for better results in the fight against smuggling of goods	RAI initiative; AIRE Centre	Ongoing 1.9. 2017 – 1.4. 2018	Funding sought starting 2020 Available (OSCE, UK F.C.O.)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scoping project on strengthening capacities in the field of Asset Recovery (scope: SEE); comparative analysis and action plan for WB6 - Strengthening capacities in the field of Asset Recovery – transfer of EU standards and UNCAC requirements; - T-o-T training for 30 trainers with various supporting actions 	RAI initiative; AIRE Centre	Foreseen; 2 years duration; tentative start 1.4. 2018	Funding being negotiated	
2.2 Increase capacities to cooperate at interagency and international level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establish a regional platform of LEAs for regular exchange of strategic and operational information on illicit financial flows - Regional Conference on financial investigations - Regional Head of Financial Intelligence Units (LEAs) meeting in cooperation with the Government of Bosnia and Herzegovina back to back with a one day UNODC/Moneyval training on new trends and typologies in the Anti-Money Laundering /Countering Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) area 	UNODC, CEPOL UNODC, CEPOL and OSCE	Ongoing 1.1.2018- 31.12.2019 Ongoing 1.1.2018- 31.12.2019	IPAI/2017 strand “Building Regional Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism Capacity in SEE”	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Improved effectiveness of respective law enforcement units on investigations and prosecutions through more efficient cooperation with relevant European and regional authorities and the use of regional instruments, particularly EUROPOL, Interpol, PCC SEE and Eurojust - Increased efforts to improve legislation and regulations for cross border police and judicial cooperation 	GIZ, CLIC, Italy	IPAI 2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in WB"	
3 Fight against cybercrime	3.1 Capacity-building and support to investigations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Renewed political dialogue on the matter of cybercrime - regional scope <p><u>Action 1) High-Level Regional Meeting organized by Ministry of the Interior, Republic of Serbia with follow-up actions. Outputs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - raised awareness and outlined resolute steps, incl. boosting public-private partnership - Acknowledgment of the raising threat of cybercrime to the region and Europe, and the fact that concrete actions need to be taken by relevant police authorities to tackle that threat; -Increased and continuous regional police cooperation in cybercrime fighting capacity building and operational cooperation; -Seeking avenues for fostering public-private partnerships against cybercrime 	Initiated by MoI Serbia; DCAF, partners	Planned (June 2018)	Funding being negotiated

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	Action 2) Follow-up planned (table-top exercises, consultation with other IISG Partners dealing with cybercrime to seek state-of-play and gaps)	<p><u>Kosovo*</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Workshop on the 3rd annual review and amendment of the Kosovo* Cyber Security Strategy and Action Plan 2016-2019 (a two-day multi-agency workshop in order to review the current progress and to identify any issues at an early stage so that they can be addressed, and if necessary, the action plan to be amended accordingly.) - Specialized and advanced training on tracking and analyzing digital currencies (ten-day specialized training for KP, Prosecution and Kosovo* Academy for Public Safety, with an aim to present the business profile and global ecosystem of crypto currencies including Bitcoin and Ethereum to the participants) • Provision of permanent support to ongoing investigations of occurring forms of SC, inc. the recovery of illegal financial gains obtained through diverse types of cross-border crime and the fight against migrant smuggling 	(assistance will be offered by IISG Support Group) OMiK OMiK	Foreseen 2019 Nov 2018 June 2018	Seeking funding available available

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase support to capacity-building in the area of cybersecurity and the fight against cybercrime, including cooperation with the European Cybercrime Training and Education Group - Capacity Building Effort for Criminal Justice Practitioners Combating Cybercrime and Cyber-enabled Crime in South-Eastern Europe: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Aims to develop and enhance the responsiveness, professional knowledge and skills of the selected groups of specialized law enforcement officers; ii. Aims to build training capacities of respective beneficiaries to ensure sustainability and continuity of the achieved results and established processes by employing a Training of Trainers component as its core element 	<p>Europol</p> <p>initiated</p>	<p>May 2017 – April 2019</p>	<p>the IPA II/2017 Multi-Country Action “Support to Western Balkan IISG”</p> <p>Europol IPA/2017 strand “Pilot project to deploy Europol Liaison Officers in the WB”</p> <p>OSCE/TNTD Strategic Police Matters Unit</p>

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3.2 Improved/establish public reporting systems (with preventive functions) on online fraud and other cybercrime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analysis of existing reporting mechanisms. - Regional workshops for sharing of good practices. - Advice and domestic workshops for the setting up or improvement of reporting mechanisms. - Training in the management and use of the mechanisms. - Workshops to promote the preparation and dissemination of annual reports. - Workshop to review performance of the mechanisms 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015-14.6.2019-	IPA II 2014	
3.3 Strengthen legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analysis of legislation against EU, FATF and Council of Europe (MONEYVAL) standards and recommendations and regional workshop. - Advice to public authorities and law reform working groups, including domestic workshops. - Regional workshops to review effectiveness of legislation. Online platform for legislation and court rulings 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015-14.6.2019	IPA II 2014	
3.4 Enhance interagency cooperation between cybercrime units, financial investigators and financial intelligence units at the domestic level in the search, seizure and confiscation of online crime proceeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Study and regional workshop to prepare/review/improve training strategies on cybercrime, electronic evidence and financial investigations. - Develop guidelines for obtaining and using electronic evidence in criminal proceedings under the respective domestic legislation. - Develop and deliver an introductory training module on cybercrime and financial 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015-14.6.2019	IPA II 2014	

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		<p>investigations for cybercrime, financial investigation units, FIUs and specialized prosecutors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint workshops and training (regional and domestic) for cybercrime units, economic crime units, financial investigators, FIUs and specialized prosecutors on specific issues (e.g. virtual currencies). - Design and implement domestic and regional case simulation exercises on cybercrime and financial investigations (e.g. on cases of smuggling of persons). - Follow up to lessons learnt from case simulation exercises. - Advice on the preparation of interagency cooperation protocols. 			
3.5 Establish or enhance public/private information sharing and intelligence exchange mechanisms on cybercrime at domestic and regional levels		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assess the functioning of current mechanisms for information sharing and intelligence exchange between financial sector institutions (including processing centers), cybercrime units and other stakeholders. - Organize a regional meeting exchange between financial sector institutions, cybercrime units and other stakeholders to share experience and good practices on such mechanisms. - Develop guidelines for information and intelligence sharing at national, regional and international levels. 	CoE (IPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015- 14.6.2019	IPA II 2014

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advice and meetings to support existing initiatives or establish such mechanisms at domestic and regional levels. - Establish an online resource in support of such mechanisms as well as on law enforcement / Internet service provider cooperation. 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015- 14.6.2019	IPA II 2014
3.6 Provision of training on cybercrime and electronic evidence and related financial investigations and anti-money laundering measures by judicial training academies		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional workshop for representatives of judicial training academies to review the current state of judicial training and agree on project approach. - Training of trainers. - Preparation of updates of introductory and advanced training modules in cooperation with judicial training institutions and trained trainers. - Delivery of pilot introductory and advanced training courses in judicial academies in each beneficiary. 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015- 14.6.2019	IPA II 2014
3.7 Strengthen international cooperation and information sharing between cybercrime units, financial investigation units and financial intelligence units (FIUs) as well as between competent authorities for judicial cooperation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Analysis of issues regarding international cooperation. - Regional sharing of experience including with mechanisms such the Egmont Group (for Financial Intelligence Units), the Camden Asset Recovery Interagency Network (CARIN) and the Budapest Convention network of 24/7 points of contact. - Elaboration and promotion of domestic protocols for international sharing of intelligence and evidence. 	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015- 14.6.2019	IPA II 2014

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint workshops at domestic and regional levels on international cooperation and information sharing for cybercrime units, financial investigation units, FIUs and prosecutors. - Online platform for international cooperation, including on conditions for obtaining data. - Workshops to review effectiveness of international cooperation. 			
3.8 Further, targeted support to Beneficiaries' authorities		<p><i>Follow-up action of iPROCEEDS</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening skills in view of increasing the no. of cybercrime and parallel financial investigations to search , seize and confiscate proceeds from online crime - addressing gaps and providing tailor-made solutions to particular Beneficiaries 	CoE	Foreseen (June 2019 – end 2020)	negotiated
3.9 Regional networking		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bring together experts from law enforcement and judicial community from Southeast Europe to share the latest threats and types of cybercrime, including the movement of traditional crime in virtual environment, as well as to initiate joint investigations 	SELEC; SEEPAG operating under the auspices of SELEC	Foreseen	Seeking funding
3.10 Targeted training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Targeted training based on capacity-building needs assessment - Kosovo* - Specialized training to enhance the skills of the KP cybercrime first responders (targeting the first responders to a crime scene and focus on how to properly respond 	NI-CO (BiH, Kosovo*) – bilateral OMiK	Ongoing Mar 2018	Available available

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3.11 Provision of equipment		and handle the crime scene involving computers and other technological items)	OMiK	June 2018	available
4 To enable automated exchange of data	4.1 Establish an EU WB Prüm-like instrument for SEE – legal dimension (PCC SEE Contracting Parties)	- Supplying the KP with hardware equipment and software on investigating cybercrimes (In order to ensure effective investigation of cybercrime cases, the Mission will provide the KP with some information technology (IT) equipment items (both hardware and software).) - Signed agreement among 5 EU and 6 non-WB countries (PCC SEE Contracting Parties)	PCC SEE	Ongoing 2018	IPA II 2017
	4.2 Capacity-building	- Fact finding missions to the beneficiary countries (needs assessment for capacity building) - Regulatory framework - Planning Tailor-made capacity building projects on national/regional scale - Facilitating EU-WB operational dimension	PCC SEE	Planned 2018-2020	IPA II 2017
	4.3 Increased information sharing with EU and other international cooperation mechanisms	- Increased information sharing via SIENA; consider setting up SMART objectives	Europol	Ongoing	available
5 To fight against facilitation of	5.1 Capacity-building and investigative support	- Provided permanent advisory to ongoing investigations of SC, corruption and financial flows as well as fighting migrant smuggling	GIZ/CILC, Italy	Ongoing (1.1.17-30.9.19)	IPA II 2017 strand "Countering

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illegal migration, THB and migrant smuggling		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthened operational capacities and capabilities of respective law enforcement units to conduct cross-border investigations and prosecutions on SOC, especially to undertake financial investigations and to fight migrant smuggling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance operational cooperation and information exchange - Explore possibilities of enhanced involvement in the implementation of the EU Policy cycle 2018-2021 crime priority 'Fight against facilitated Illegal Immigration', using existing Europol operational agreements, participation in EU MS-led Joint investigation units, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhance operational cooperation and information exchange with the exchange of officers based on the PCC SEE (based on the experience gained during 2015-2016) - Explore possibilities of enhanced involvement in the implementation of the EU Policy Cycle 2018-2021 crime priority on THB - Promote cooperation with EU mechanisms 	<p>Serious Crime in the WB"</p> <p>IPA II 2017 strand</p> <p>Ongoing 2018-2019</p> <p>ongoing</p> <p>Europol, Cepol</p> <p>UNODC, Europol, Cepol, EBCGA</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reinforcing the international cooperative mechanisms and enhancing the national services capacity to counter migrants smuggling and human trafficking; achieving an enhanced cooperation and national services institutional capacity to counter and prevent migrants smuggling and human trafficking <u>Kosovo*</u> - Workshop on organized crime networks that smuggle migrants through the Western Balkans Route – trends and modus operandi (enhance capacities on Western Balkans Route as the main smuggling route for migrants into the European Union countries; trends in smuggling of migrants; organized crime networks for smuggling migrants; money transfer and concealing criminal gains; case management for conducting investigations, and other.) - Multi-disciplinary workshop on practical implementation of the “List of Indicators for identification of Victims of Trafficking (VoT)” (strengthen the capacities of respective institutions in the practical application of indicators for early identification of victims of trafficking, improve gender sensitivity approach and contribute to various areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IOM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ongoing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> available 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 2018

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - such as 'Protection of rights of VoT in accordance with international conventions' 			
5.2 Address the need for an interpreters pool for authorities dealing with migrant smuggling/THB		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Workshop on the 2nd annual review and amendment of the Strategy and Action Plan against Trafficking in Human Beings (THB) 	OMiK	Feb 2018 available	
5.3 Targeted training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Signing and implementation of Protocol for Regional pool of interpreters among MARRI Participant Countries - Forming and administering the pool of interpreters, esp. for exotic languages (delivered to police investigative services + border police services - Provision of sustainable equipment for distance interpretation based on assessment - Training on travel documents (<i>cross-pillar coordination – activities foreseen in WBSi</i>) - National trainings on countering THB 	MARRI, support by SEPCA IISG Support Group, DCAF (cross-pillar action!), CEPOL Foreseen Seeking Foreseen Seeking funding IOM	Ongoing Available Seeking Seeking funding Seeking funding Seeking funding	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - National trainings on countering the smuggling of migrants - Kosovo* - THB training of trainers for women police officers (a training of trainers on THB for 27 police women that successfully completed the basic and advanced modules held during 2016 and 2017. This ToT training module will prepare the police women to deliver the THB training within eight regional police training units.) - Kosovo * - Training on contemporary trends and best practices on cases of child pornography and internet recruiting (Participants will acquire skills to successfully conduct investigations into cases of THB on child pornography, recruiting victims through networks on the internet for sexual and labour exploitation purposes, false marriages and other forms of exploitation.) - Kosovo* - Specialized training on covert measures for investigating THB (Ten police officers from the KP THB Directorate will be provided with training to enhance their skills in performing static and dynamic surveillance on suspects being engaged in THB, victims 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IOM OMiK OMiK OMiK 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreseen Mar 2018 Oct 2018 Oct 2018 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking funding Available Available Available 	

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		- and other people involved in investigations of THB) - Regional/SEE Training of trainers on Combating Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants for First Responders: An OSCE focus on SEE	OSCE SPMU	Foreseen for 2018-2019	Seeking funding
5.4 Provision of equipment for first/second line control – for detection of fake and forged documents		(cross-pillar coordination – activities foreseen in WBBSi iPA)		Requested by Albania	Seeking funding
5.5 Regional networking		- Workshops - offer the platform for connecting law enforcement and judicial community from Southeast Europe in order to share the latest threats, including the new routes and <i>modi operandi</i> , as well as to initiate joint investigations and regional operations - IOM-UNODC Platform on Counter Migrants Smuggling - International platform providing for additional mechanism for cooperation in the area of countering human smuggling	SELEC; SEEPAg operating under the auspices of SELEC IOM, UNODC	Ongoing ongoing	SELEC Budget for 2018; seeking funding for 2019-2020
5.6 Support the work of law enforcement with relevant analytical reports or research		- Situation reports on trafficking in human beings and illegal migration - Provide an overview to stakeholders and practitioners	SELEC		Seeking funding for publishing

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mapping of smuggling of migrants and trafficking in human beings in the Western Balkan region – - Consolidated report on smuggling of migrants and trafficking in human beings in the Western Balkan region - Research on ‘children on the move’ – victims of trafficking (VoT) (identify the current situation of children on the move and children at risk, who are subject to trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation, labour exploitation through forced begging and coerced to carry out thefts in Pristina, Skopje and Tirana) 	IOM OMiK	<p>ongoing</p> <p>2018</p>	<p>available</p>
	5.7 Addressing the challenge of undocumented migrants / assistance in establishing identity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Crosschecks of fingerprints from migrants reaching the borders of Serbia, Albania, FYROM and Montenegro against INTERPOL databases (Needs analysis ongoing) 	INTERPOL	initiated	<p>Seeking additional funding</p>
6 Fight against corruption	6.1 Support to investigations and prevention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing capacities of specialized bodies in charge of fighting and preventing corruption <p><i>Kosovo*</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhancing capacities and capabilities local partners in investigating and prosecuting 	GIZ/CILC, Italy EULEX	<p>Ongoing 1.1.2018-31.12.2019</p> <p>ongoing</p>	<p>IPA II 2017</p> <p>available</p>

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	6.2 Strengthen the capacity of rule of law, good governance and security institutions to build stability and resilience in the region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - corruption and related crimes (Criminal Justice Service Partners in the Basic Prosecution Office, Kosovo Police Specialist Units, Tax Administration, Customs, Anti-Corruption Agency and the Municipalities of Vushtrri/Vučitrn and Mitrovica) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support to local NGO community - Strengthen the capacity, integrity and efficiency of the Prosecutor's Office and the High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council in combatting corruption - Promote the rule of law through EULEX and justice sector interventions - Reducing conflict risks by tackling state capture and building accountability - Improve transparency and corruption prevention in the management of public funds, esp. in public procurements - Enhance the effective protection of whistleblowers and improve reporting channels - Ensure a sustained track record in tackling corruption 	<p>NI-CO; civil society actors in Kosovo*; UNDP, IOM, OSCE</p> <p>Ongoing (2017-2018)</p>	<p>available</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addressing common regional needs and assisting LE services in implementing 5th round of GRECO recommendations 	RAI initiative and partners	foreseen 2018-2020	Seeking funding
6.3 Targeted training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training on trends of corruption in public procurements - Targeted training on dealing and preventing corruption - Strengthening investigative capacities or LE agencies – specialized training (summer school) on investigation of corruption 	SEPCA (MKD Chairmanship 2018) NI-CO RAI and partners	ongoing Planned 2018	Seeking funding Available
6.4 Western Balkan Programme on Transparency, Accountability and Integrity			ICMPD	Being planned	Seeking funding
7 Fight against money laundering	7.1 Investigative support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthened operational capacities and capabilities of respective law enforcement units to conduct cross-border investigations and prosecutions on SOC, especially to undertake financial investigations and to fight migrant smuggling 	GIZ/CILC, Italy, UNODC, Europol, Cepol	Ongoing 31.12.17 – 31.12.19	IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action “Support to WB IISG”

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7.2 Targeted training	(CEPOL Financial Investigation project) - Identification of training needs - Implementing training in line with the identified needs for staff of FIUs, AMLUs, AROs, SOC units of WB countries	UNODC,CEPOL	Ongoing 1.1.2018-31.12.2019	Strand of the IPA II 2017 Multi-Country Action	Cepol core activities
7.3 Capacity-building – prevention and control of online fraud, criminal money flows	- Implementing international (regional) workshops in line with the identified needs staff of FIUs, AMLUs, AROs, SOC units of WB countries and EU MS - Implementing exchange program in line with the identified needs between WB countries' and EU MSs' staff of dedicated units - Training on investigations for corruption in public procurements	SEPCA (MKD Chairmanship 2018)	CoE (iPROCEEDS, Cybercrime Programme Office)	Ongoing 15.12.2015 – 14.6.2019	IPA II 2014

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dissemination of the guidelines and training in their application; workshop to review their practical application. 			
8 Illicit drugs, incl. their online sale	8.1 Targeted training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serbia: Training course for police, customs and justice officials on production and trade in synthetic drugs, incl. provision of missing training equipment - Targeted training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training course for police, customs and justice officials on production and trade 	NL, Europol, Serbian MoI Training Centre Cepol, Europol, EMCDDA	Ongoing available	Project SIRAS 2017-2018; funding sought for 2019-2020
	8.2 Cross-border networking and cooperation	- Regional interdisciplinary workshops for law enforcement and judicial representatives from Southeast Europe with the purpose to share the latest threats, with focus on trafficking firearms and drug trafficking, as well as to initiate joint investigations	SELEC		

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8.3 Enhanced cooperation with EU mechanisms	- Explore possibilities of enhanced involvement in the implementation of the EU Policy Cycle 2018-2021 crime priority on drugs trafficking	NL & Europol			
9 To improve cross-border exchange of information	<p>9.1 Provide support in pre-investigation phase</p> <p>9.2 Support improved mechanisms for data and information exchange between respective police units and relevant European and regional authorities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mobilize Italian Police Officers and National Assistants in support of the information exchange aspect in the pre-investigation phase - INTERPOL Specialist Operational Network (ISON) – information exchange and training in INTERPOL policing capabilities - Increased information sharing via SIENA, consider the setting up of SMART objectives 	GIZ, CILC, Italy INTERPOL GIZ/CILC, Italy, Europol	IPB II 2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in WB" Ongoing Ongoing	available available IPB II 2017 strand "Countering Serious Crime in the Western Balkans"
		<u>BiH</u> Establishment and strengthening of the capacities for BiH Europol NCP	EUROPOL, TBC	ongoing	

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	<i>Kosovo*</i>	- Assistance in building capacity of KP ILECU in terms of cooperation with Interpol and Europol, and adoption of good European practices	EULEX	ongoing	available
9.3 Improve IT capacities	-	Improve PCCCs IT capacities to the level compatible with EU standards (<i>coordinated with WBBSi pillar</i>)	OSCE	foreseen	seeking
9.4 Improve regional cooperation and regional exchange of information among judicial, custom and police services	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further improved of Common Contact Centres for police and customs cooperation - Improved real time information exchange via the network of the PCCCs in the region - Develop regional plan of action on Police and Customs Cooperation Centres (PCCCs) functioning and sustainable development - Raised awareness on better use of PCCCs in cross-border cooperation (<i>coordinated with WBBSi pillar</i>) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SEPCA (MKD Chairmanship 2018) IOM OSCE 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> foreseen foreseen foreseen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seeking funding Seeking funding Seeking funding
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further improving an adequate Data Protection legal framework for cross-border exchange of information in SEE (PCC SEE 11 Contracting Parties) - Assistance to the Kosovo* Police (KP) in integrating into regional strategic partnerships and improving its operational 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCC SEE EULEX 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing planned 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCC SEE core funding (seeking additional funding) available

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		<p>activities, with a focus on information sharing on migration, counter-terrorism, and organised crime</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Study visit to SELEC Center - Study visit to Italian Carabinieri aiming to strengthen the capacity of ILECU <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consolidate the role of NCBs within the security architecture - Ensuring the active and effective use of Interpol's global databases and notices/diffusions - Facilitating exchange of operational information through Liaison officers posted in SELEC Headquarters via the National Focal Points (NFP) 	<p>ICPO Interpol</p> <p>ICPO Interpol</p> <p>SELEC</p>	<p>ongoing</p> <p>ongoing</p> <p>ongoing</p>	<p>Interpol's Strategy for the European Region 2017-2020</p> <p>Interpol's Strategy for the European Region 2017-2020</p> <p>SELEC budget; Funding sought for improvement (2018-2020)</p>
9.5 Targeted training		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training courses for data protection officers (at NCB level) 	ICPO Interpol	foreseen	Interpol's Strategy for European Region 2017-2020
9.6 Mapping regional and EU-WB information exchange in view of		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mapping exercise and develop recommendations in cooperation with relevant EU and international agencies 	PCC SEE	Foreseen	Seeking additional funding

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	consolidation and greater efficiency				
10 To improve witness Protection	<p>10.1. Continue fostering international cooperation between relevant agencies and addressing sustainability issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Annual Europol Expert Conference on Witness Protection Shadowing programme - Cepol/Europol Advanced Witness Protection Course - WB Network on WP Meetings (semi-annual) - Maintain active engagement with the General Witness Protection Network after the end of the WINPRO project in December 2018 <p>10.2. Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multilayered training activities such as residential courses, webinars, online courses, exchange programme 	NI-CO, Europol, Cepol	NI-CO, Europol, Cepol	WINPRO III (2016-Dec 2018) <i>More funding sought</i>	
11 Illicit firearms incl. their online sale	11.1. implementation of the "Roadmap for the Western Balkans"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of the "Roadmap for the Western Balkans", endorsed with the Joint Statement of the Deputy Ministers of Interior and Deputy Ministers of Foreign Affairs (Podgorica, February 2018). Components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Cross-border control (2) Legislative and regulatory frameworks (3) Management of data and information and their exchange – evidence-based risk assessments (4) Awareness, advocacy and outreach (5) SALW collection (6) Systematic destruction 	SEESAC, DE	Ongoing	

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		(7) Stockpile management – advancing the regulations and monitoring of due compliance		ongoing	SIRAS project (2017-2019)
11.2. Capacity-building	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coordination of efforts in SALW Control in SEE - three training sessions on investigation of firearms trafficking in deep web/dark web markets; raised awareness of the phenomenon <p><u>Kosovo*</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Training for prosecutors on investigation of crimes related to illicit drugs, weapons or other crime proceeds traded on dark web markets – two-day workshop 	<p>SEESAC</p> <p>SELEC</p> <p>EULEX</p>	Ongoing	planned	available
11.3. Enhancing cooperation with EU and regional mechanisms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Explore possibilities of enhanced involvement in the implementation of the EU Policy Cycle 2018-2021 crime priority on firearms - coherent framework for cooperation between the European Union and the Western Balkans by ensuring permanent and comprehensive inclusion of the initiatives to fight against firearms trafficking as defined in the 2015-2019 EU-WB Action Plan on illicit trafficking in firearms - Enhance operational cooperation in effectively addressing the supply of illicit firearms and the large stockpile of weapons in the Western Balkans 	<p>EUROPOL</p>	Ongoing		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enhanced networking, incl. EU-WB networking, on firearms through consolidated use of national points-of-contact, incl. those embedded in existing regional networks (incl. SEEFFEN), in line with good EMPIACT's Good Practice Guidance on Firearms and the European Firearms Expert Group (EFE) 		Foreseen	
	1.1.4 Support the work of law enforcement with relevant analytical reports or research	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mapping project on the collection of minimum standard data for seized firearms by providing comprehensive data on weapons seizures 	UNODC	foreseen	
IISG processes					
WBCSCI Needs analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IISG Strategic Preparation Meeting on Priorities and Needs Assessment within the WBCSCI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - List of regional priority needs 	IISG Support Group and PCC SEE Secretariat (WBCSCI Lead Partner)	Done (9-10 Nov 2017)	PCC SEE, IISG Support Group, Beneficiaries
WBCSCI Coordination	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - iPA implementation 2018-2020 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Synergies - Cost-efficiency - Reporting - IISG-level cross-pillar coordination - Accommodating new contributions - Alignment - IISG M&E framework 	IISG Support Group and PCC SEE Secretariat (WBCSCI Lead Partner); UNODC IEU (evaluation)	Ongoing (8.9.17 – 31.12.19)	PCC SEE, IISG Support Group
				May 2018	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Evaluation Field Missions - Draft independent mid-term evaluation report 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sep-Oct 2018 Dec 2018 	UNODC IEU, IISG Support Group UNODC IEU, IISG Support Group UNODC IEU, IISG Support Group
Accommodating crosscutting crime threats/horizontal needs and issues for IISG-level inter-pillar coordination					
a) Fake and forged travel documents	Facilitating cross-border exchange of information in the field of fake and forged travel documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exchange of alerts among LE services - Application of the PCC SEE-developed form in SEE countries to aid cross-border verification of identity and verification of travel documents; currently ongoing development of methodology and ToR) 	PCC SEE	ongoing	available
b) Organized property crime	Provision of support for investigations	EU OPC priority (operational action 4.1- cooperation with Balkan countries)	Europol	available	
	Targeted training	EU OPC priority (operational action 4.1- cooperation with Balkan countries)	Europol	available	
c) To create synergy with the EU Policy	Discussion at the LEWP (Council of the EU) on enhancing the cooperation between the relevant EU networks and the region, using the cooperation	Synergies between EU Policy cycle and WG IISG actions plans (WB internal security policy cycle) Efficient and coordinated response to security threats to the WB & EU	Presidency of the Council of the EU (LEWP)	2018	available

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cycle 2018-2021	<p>platform provided by the IISG</p> <p>Attendance of WB partners and IISG SG representatives to a National EMPIACT Coordinators meeting (NEC) for a specific session on WB</p> <p>Workshop of Drivers and Action Leaders of priorities relevant for WB in order to identify and report back to COSI on possible synergies, challenges and ideas</p> <p>Regular monitoring and support to the actions in the WB Region directed towards priorities of the EU Policy cycle relevant for WB</p> <p>Support to the full implementation of relevant EU Policy cycle priorities at the national level in Beneficiaries, incl. via their national action plans supported by the Police Chiefs from the region WB</p>	<p>Transferring of the EU standards on EU Policy cycle</p> <p>Full implementation of the EU Policy cycle in Beneficiaries</p> <p>Support operational actions and intensified contacts in EU-WB cooperation on implementing the EU Policy Cycle, also in the context of meetings of national coordinators of the EMPIACT5 and through Joint Operational Office in Vienna</p> <p></p>	<p>Presidency of the Council of the EU (COSI) IISG Support Group</p> <p>IISG Support Group Europol</p> <p>IISG Support Group</p> <p>SEPCA</p>	<p>2018</p> <p>IPA II 2017</p> <p>2018</p> <p>IPA II 2017</p>	<p></p> <p></p> <p>available</p> <p>ongoing</p> <p>available</p>

k) Regional scopes of engagement

Similarly to the WBCTi iPA 2015-2017, the WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 actions involve all the IISG Beneficiaries. The WBCSCi iPA 2018-2020 implementation will, however, accommodate differing geographical scopes and frameworks covered by existing instruments, initiatives and projects by seeking *ad hoc* arrangements where necessary, which enables all members of particular instruments to benefit from the WBCSCi processes of coordination, alignment and visibility. For example, it takes into consideration the geographical scopes of the Police Cooperation Convention for Southeast Europe (PCC SEE), the Southeast European Law enforcement Centre (SELEC), and the South Eastern and Eastern Europe Clearinghouse for the Control of Small Arms and Light Weapons (SEESAC). As another example, the participation of Turkey, which is also not the member of several regional mechanisms of security cooperation, can be considered on a case-by-case basis in the alignment processes as well as in relevant WBCSCi iPA actions.