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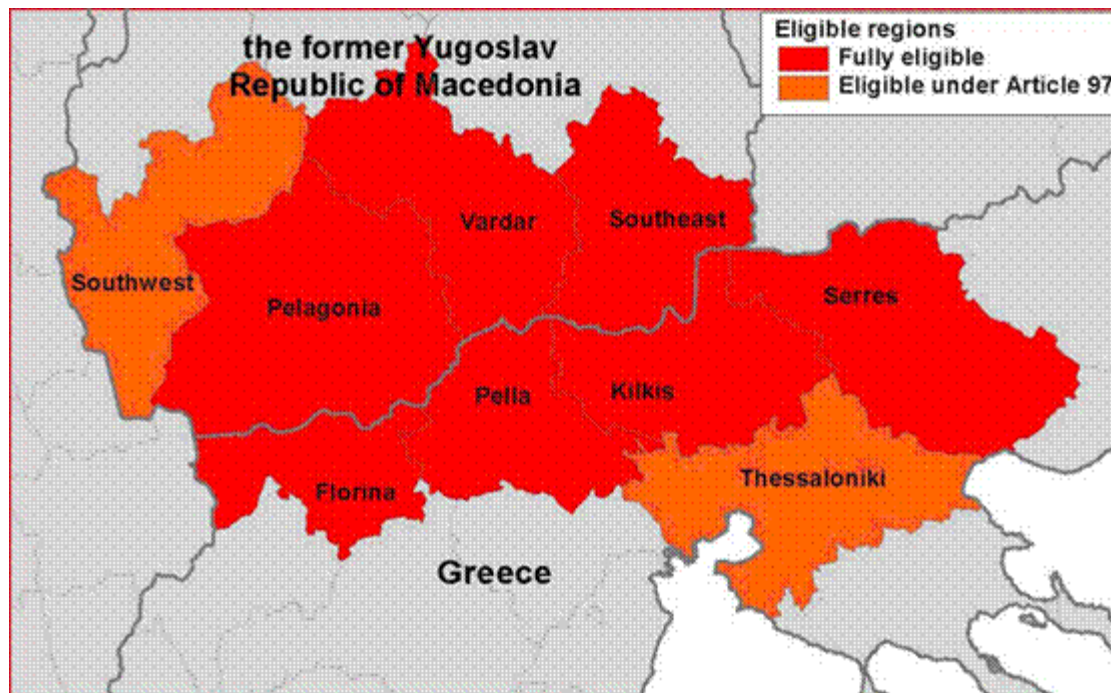
Four (04) Calls

	Call's Publication Date	Project's Proposal Results
1 st Call	16/07/2010	26/09/2011
2 nd Call	15/02/2012	03/10/2012
3 rd Call	23/05/2013	09/04/2014
4 th Call	Technical Assistance	

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Eligible Region





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Eligible Regions

Greece

Region of Western Macedonia (Prefecture of Florina)

Region of Central Macedonia (Prefectures of Pella, Kilkis, Serres and Thessaloniki)

the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

Planning Regions of Pelagonia, Vardar, Southeast and Southwest



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Budget

The total budget of the Programme is 31,549,723 €

Greece 20,072,594 €

**Total financing consists of 15,054,445 € - 75% EU funding – ERDF
and 5,018,149 € - 25% national contribution.**

the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 11,477,129 €.

**Total financing consists of 9,755,560 € - 85% EU funding - IPA and
1,721,569 € - 15% national contribution.**



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Global Objective – Strategic objectives

The global objective of the Programme is

“to enhance convergence in the Programme area by promoting sustainable local development”

This global objective will be achieved through the following strategic priorities:

Strategic Priority 1: Enhancement of cross-border economic development

Strategic Priority 2: Enhancement of environmental resources and the cultural heritage of the Programme area



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Priority Axis 1: “Enhancement of cross-border economic development”

Measure 1.1: Economic Development

Measure 1.2: Enhancement of Human Resources

Measure 1.3: Promotion of sustainable tourism

Measure 1.4: Protection of human life

Priority Axis 2: Enhancement of the environmental resources and cultural heritage of the eligible border area

Measure 2.1: Promotion and protection of the environmental resources of the area

Measure 2.2: Promotion and protection of the natural and cultural heritage of the area

Priority Axis 3: “Technical Assistance”



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Quantitative elements

- 38 projects were implemented during programming period 2007 – 2013
- 86 unique project partners
- Most of the projects are implemented between two (02) partners, one for each country
- Legal entity of most beneficiaries are mainly NGO's and Local Public Authorities
- Project partners did well regarding their compliance with EU and INTERREG specific procedures, according to Lead Partners testimonials.



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Significant added value at CBC area: (1/2)

- New infrastructure, tools and modules for development of CBC economic development;
- Human resources by implementation of various capacity strengthening programmes ;
- Sustainable CB tourism initiatives ;
- Safeguard human life and upgrade the level of public health through upgrading hospital infrastructure and capacities.



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Significant added value at CBC area: (2/2)

- The quality of services for protection of natural and cultural resources in the area;
- The institutional capacity and infrastructure of public bodies responsible for protection of natural and cultural resources in the area;
- The cooperation among CB partners is strengthening, both in current projects, and by establishing new partnerships;
- Project partners increase their awareness about functioning of EU funding and EU rules;
- The stimulated communication and cooperation fosters common aspects and mitigates differences of the population in cross-border regions