



IPA II Cross-border Cooperation Programme “Greece-the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 2014-2020

QUESTIONNAIRES’ ANALYSIS



Public consultation process

Phase A > Questionnaires

The Managing Authority Managing Authority of European Territorial Cooperation Programmes, on behalf of the Task Force of the IPA Cross Border Programme “Greece - The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 2014-2020”, announced the public consultation process for the drafting of the aforementioned Programme. The first phase consists of gathering information regarding key elements of the new programmes through questionnaires collection.

Questionnaire launch date: 03 / June / 2014

Closing Date: 20 / June / 2014

Announced on web pages:

www.interreg.gr,

www.ipa-cbc-programme.eu

<http://cbc-ipa2.eu/>

Participation

Sent 524 e-mails to stakeholders

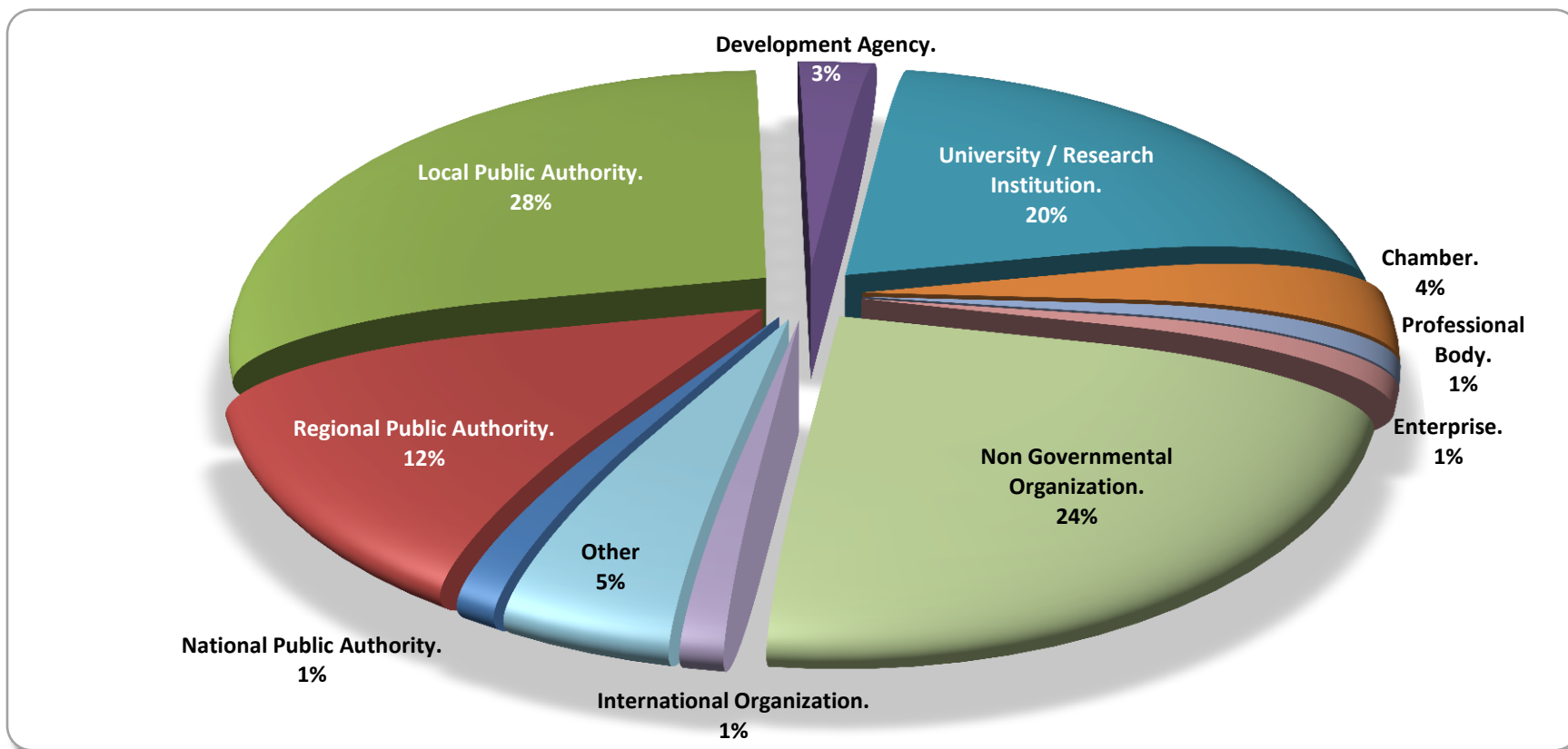
Reminder phone calls to 74 potential beneficiaries

Collected 82 responses till 21/06/2014



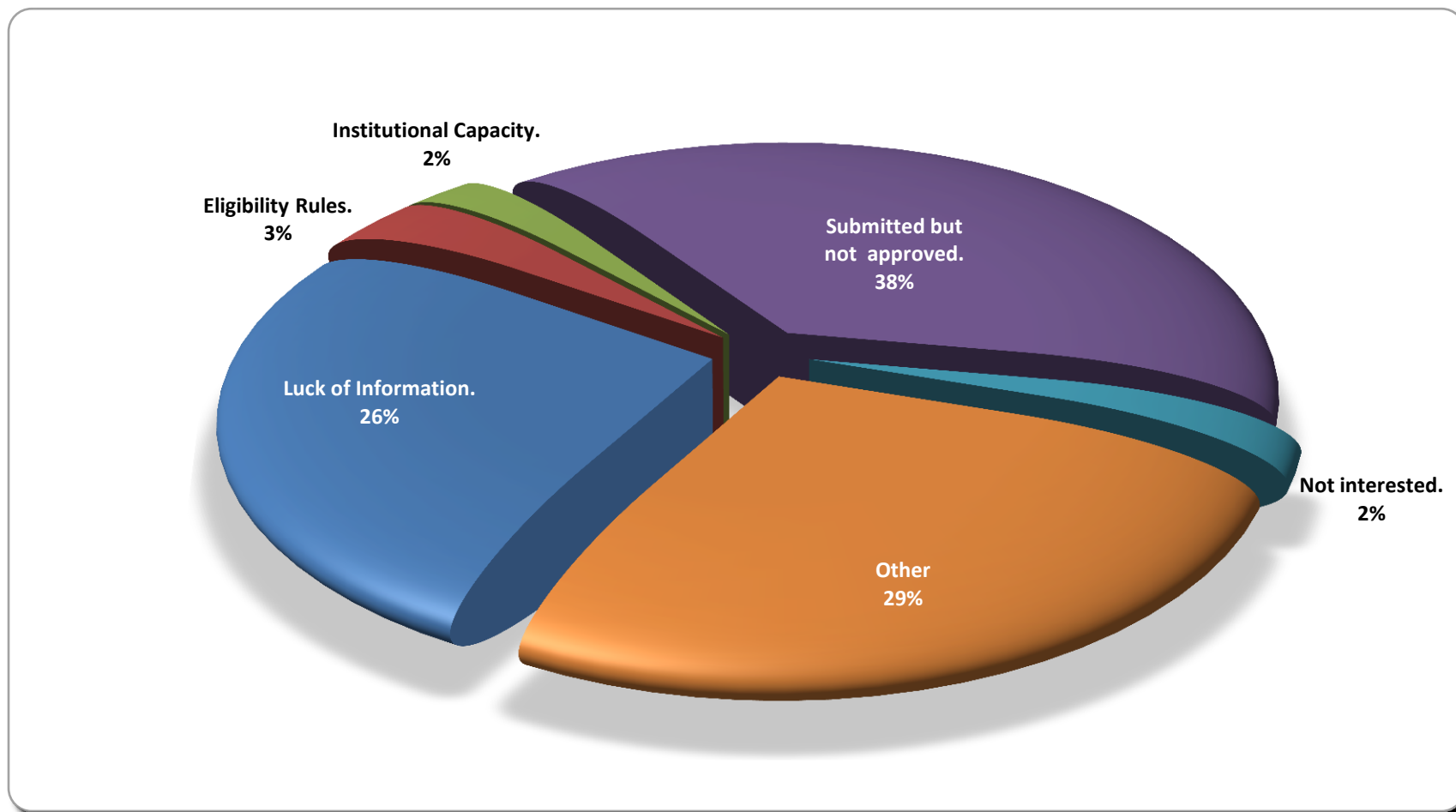
Analysis by Question

Type of entities / responders



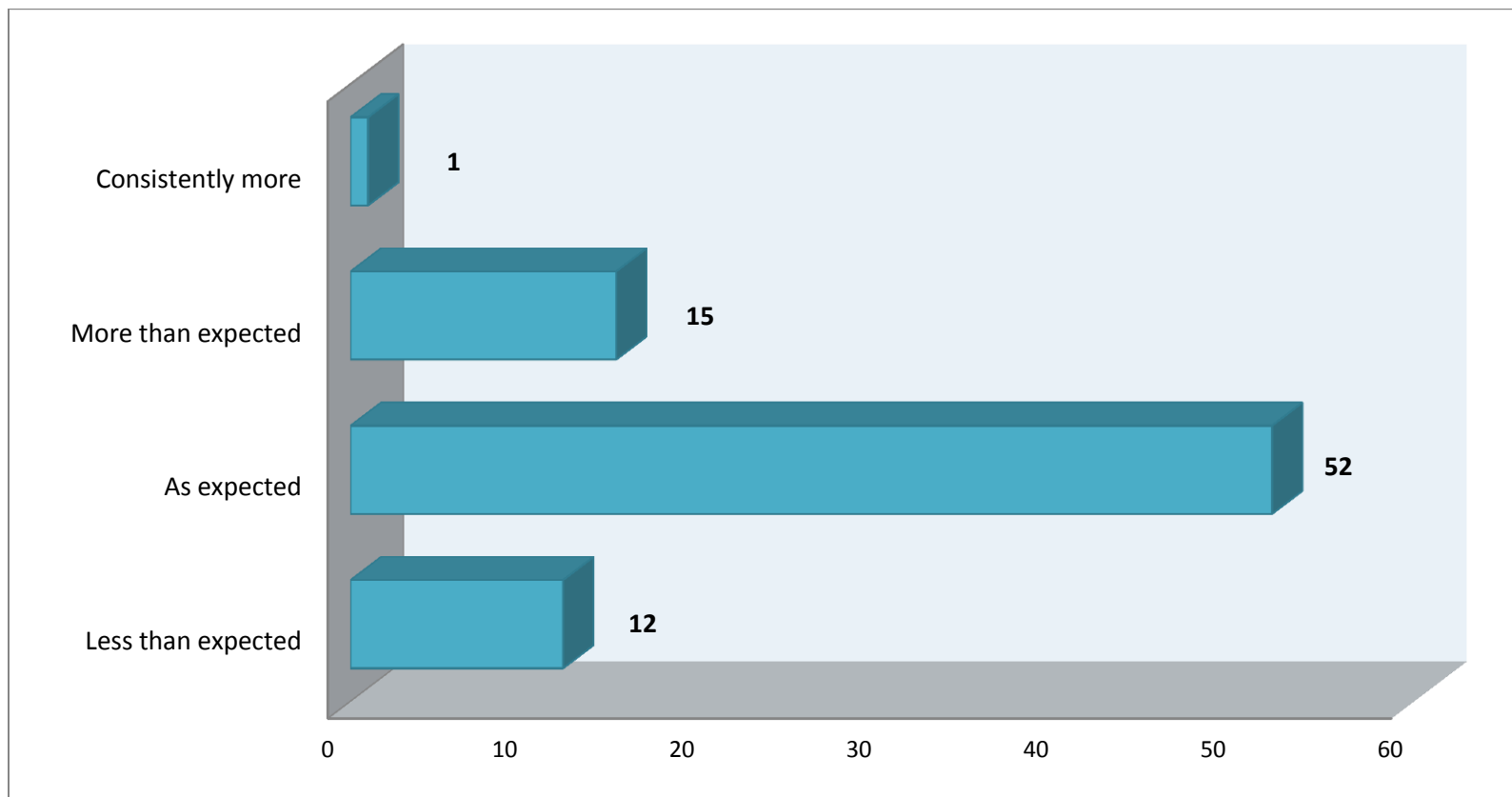


Reasons for not participating in the current programming period 2007-2013



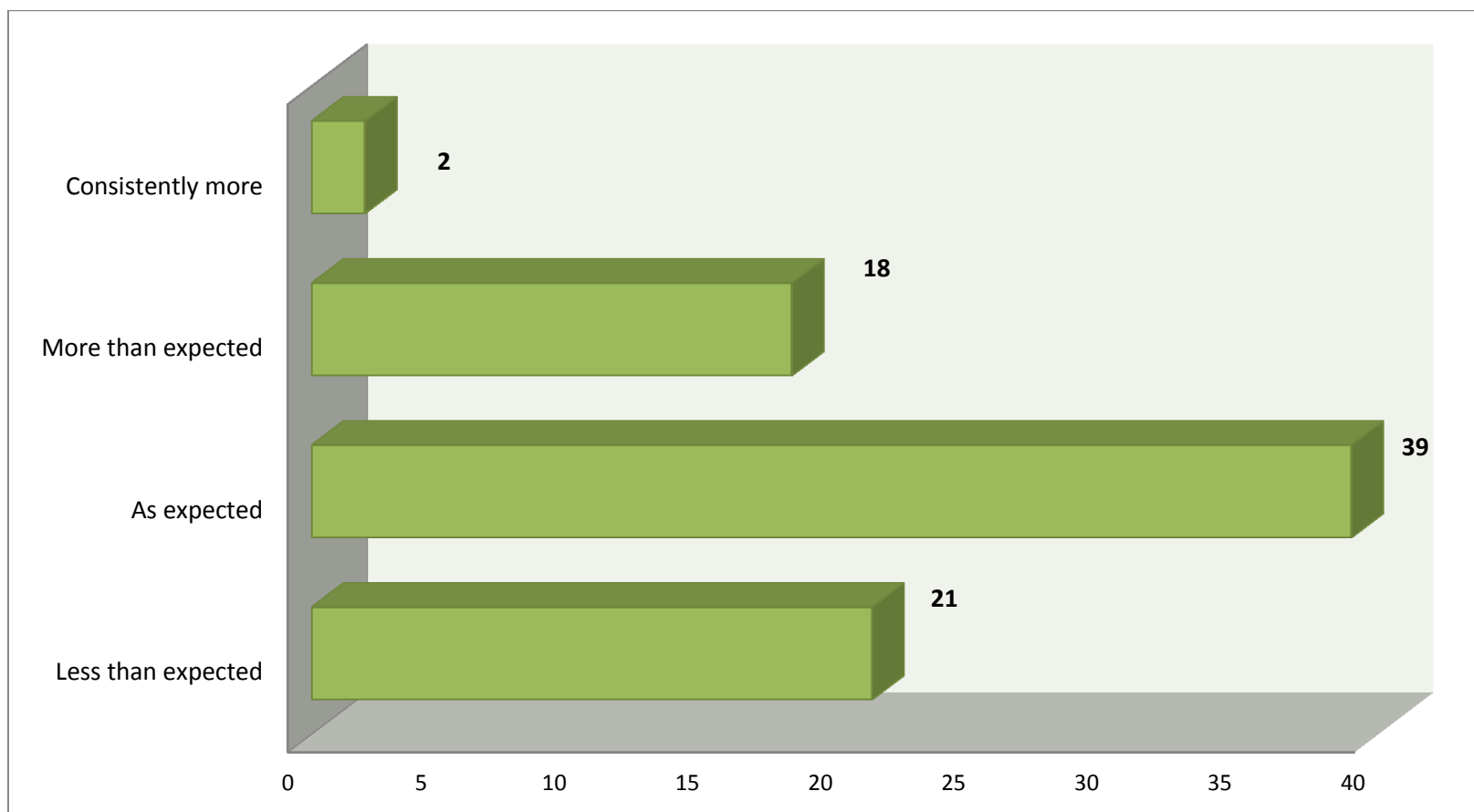


2007-2013 Operational Programme does fit to your needs?



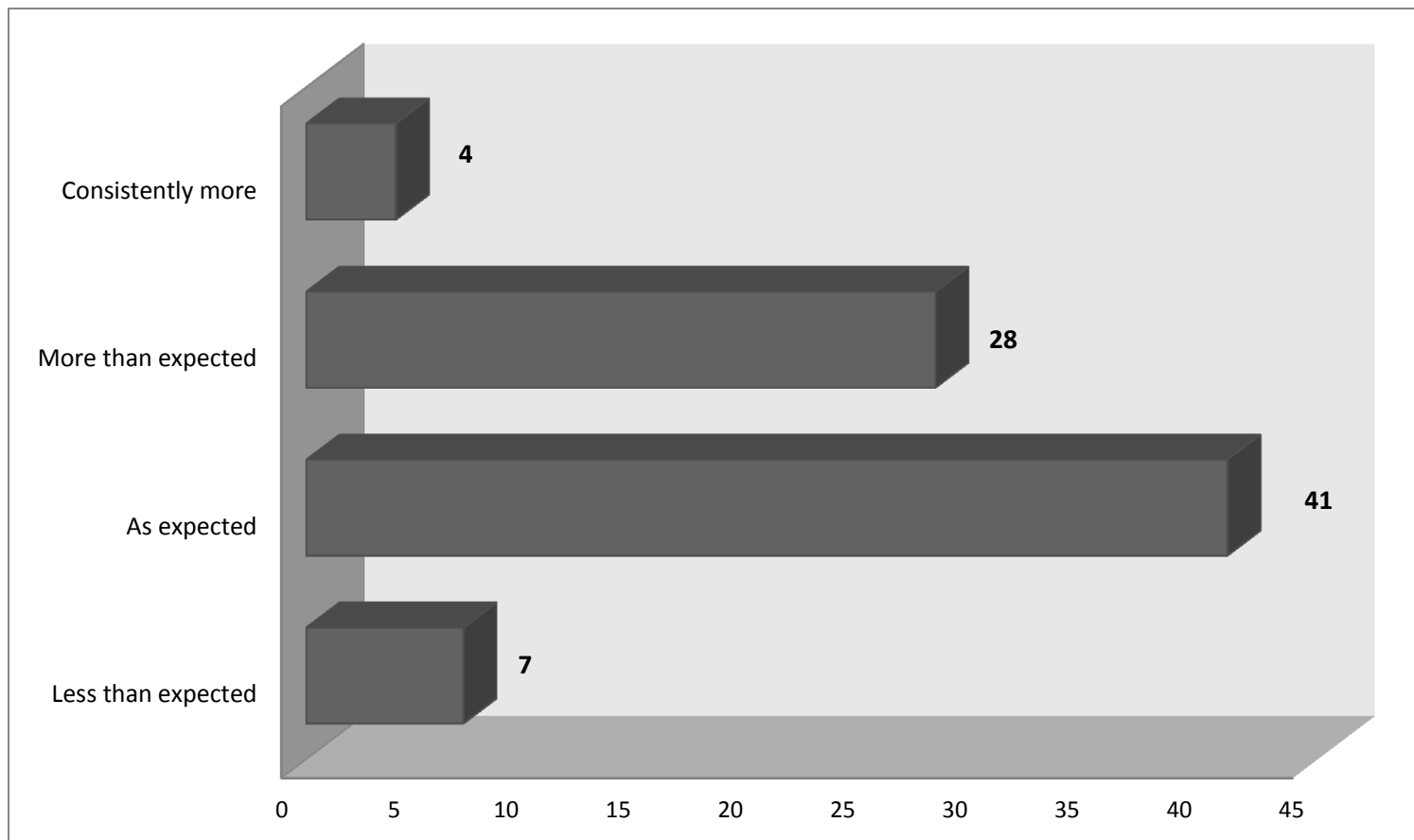


The projects' selection procedure was:



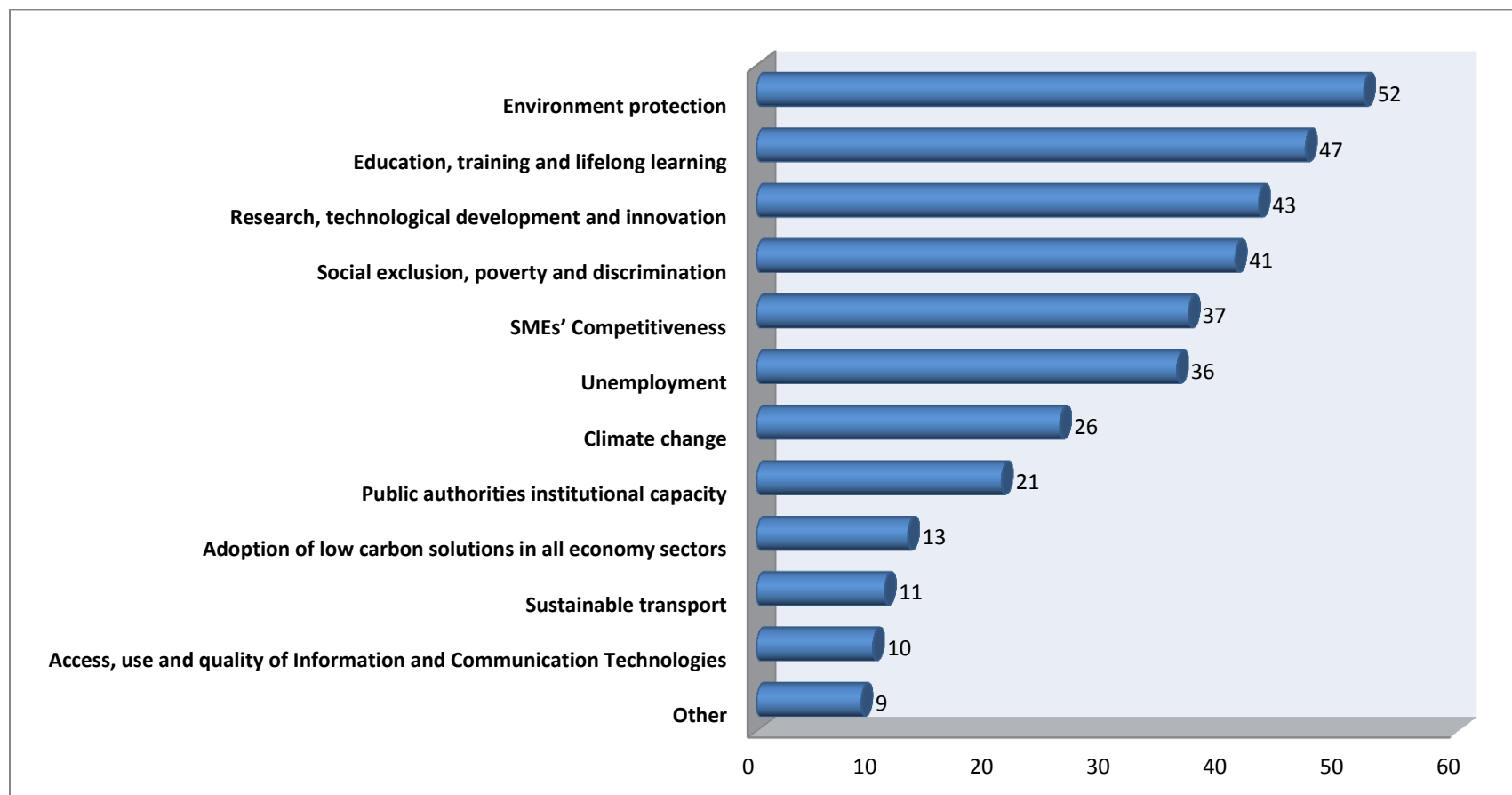


The management and control procedure were:





Major challenges of cross border area:





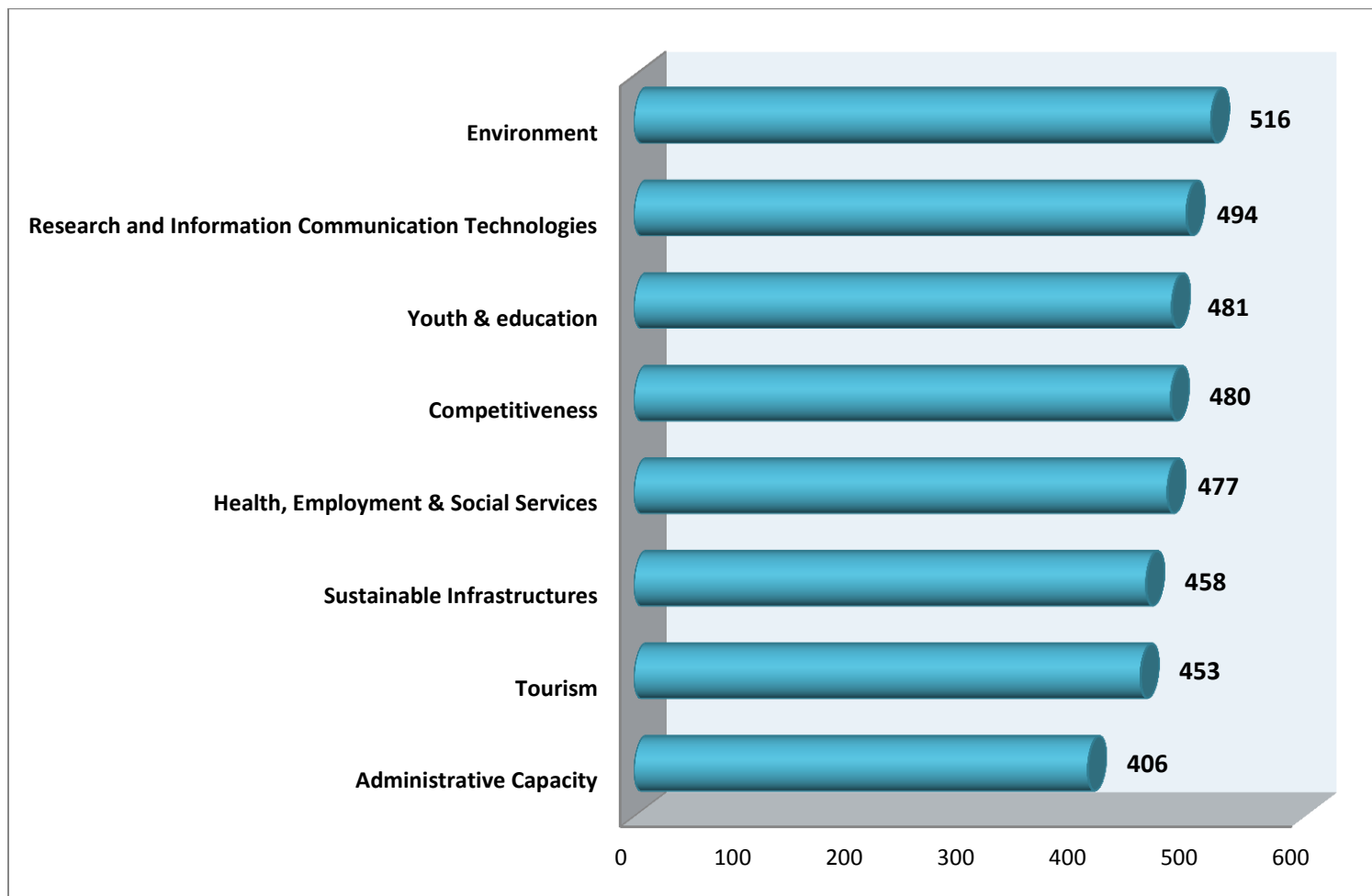
Major challenges of organisations:

According to the responders the main problems and needs of beneficiaries address to:

- ✓ Low administrative capacity
- ✓ Experts' support for the implementation
- ✓ Lack of information
- ✓ Education & training of staff
- ✓ Strengthening the partnerships
- ✓ Increase the know-how exchange



Thematic Axes priority





Suggestions by Axis

- Research, technological development and innovation;**
- Access, use and quality of Information and Communication Technologies;**
- SMEs' Competitiveness;**
- Adoption of low carbon solutions in all economy sectors;**
- Climate change;**
- Environment protection;**
- Sustainable transport;**
- Unemployment;**
- Social exclusion, poverty and discrimination;**
- Education, training and lifelong learning;**
- Public authorities institutional capacity;**



Proposed Changes

- 1. Draw a projects' selection procedure more transparent and less time consuming**
- 2. Design of a better Application Form which contributes to a better description of the proposal and less documents for the implementation**
- 3. Establish an on line platform for seeking partners**



Further Comments

The best way to ameliorate the O.P. is to share best practices by creating a database of successful actions and activities and establish an interaction mechanism within the different projects that are implemented. Format mixed common project teams from various projects should increase significantly the capacity of all stakeholders





Major Findings

Based on multi criteria analysis and weighted functions the key outcomes are as follows:

As Major challenges of the cross-border area are considered to be

- ✓ Environmental Protection,
- ✓ Education _ Training _ Lifelong Learning, and
- ✓ Social Exclusion _ Poverty _ Discrimination

The responders ranked as priority objectives for the new O.P.:

- ✓ Environment
- ✓ R&D and ICT
- ✓ Health and Social Services