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The contribution of cross-border cooperation programs to
growth up today: results and new directions for the next
programming period

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For the Programming period 2007-2013,
cohesion policy focused on three main
objectives:

1. Convergence – solidarity among regions
2. Regional Competitiveness and Employment
3. European Territorial Cooperation



In general, Objective 3, through ERDF aims at the following:

1. development of economic and social cross-border activities;
2. establishment and development of transnational cooperation, including bilateral cooperation between maritime regions;
3. increasing the efficiency of regional policy through interregional promotion and cooperation, the networking and exchange of experiences between regional and local authorities.



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The case of the ETCP “Greece-Bulgaria 2007-2013”



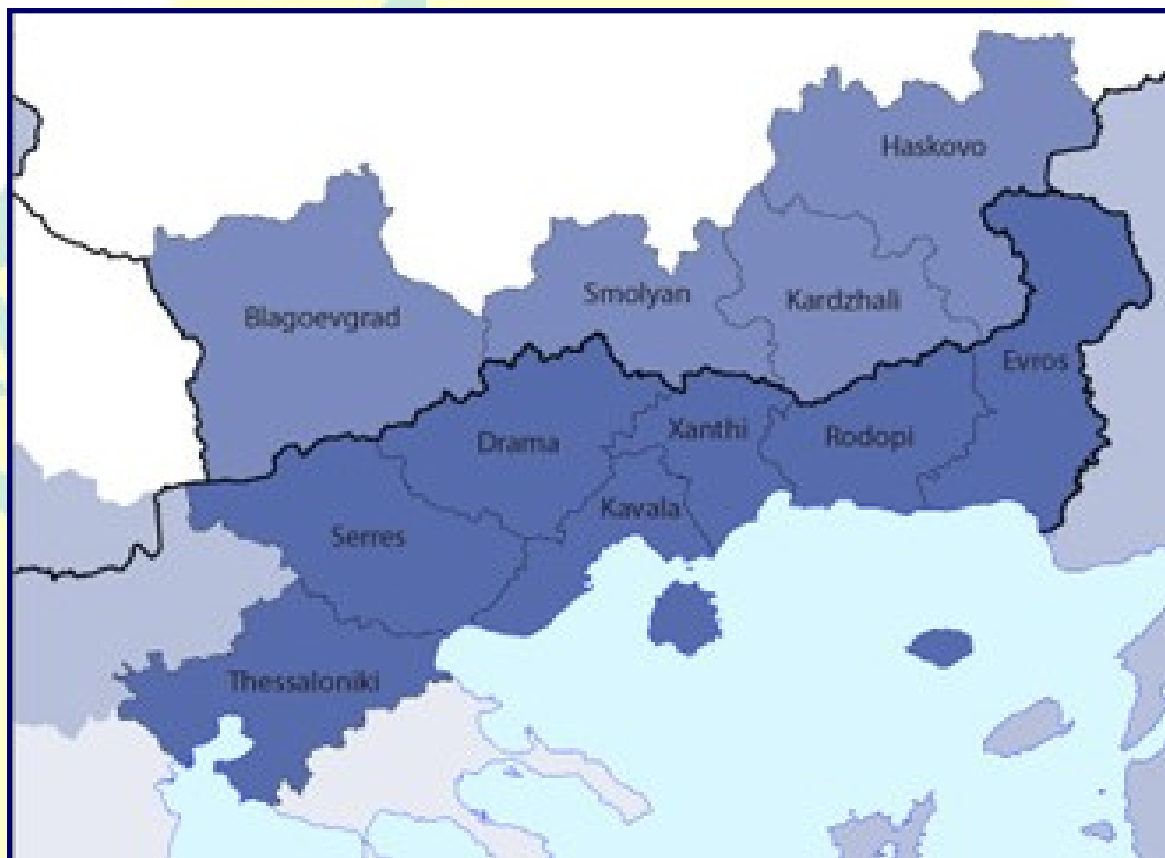
Brief Presentation of the Programme ETCP Greece-Bulgaria 2007-2013

- Approval by the EC on 28-03-2008 with the decision C(2008)1129/28-03-2008 as well as with its amendment C(2012)3099/15-05-2012.
- Total Budget: €138.691.303,00
- Eligible Areas (NUTS III)

Eligible Areas (NUTS III)	NUTS II (GREECE)	NUTS III (BULGARIA)	NUTS II (BULGARIA)
EVROS	REGION OF EASTERN MACEDONIA – THRACE	KARDZHALI	SOUTH-CENTRAL PLANNING REGION
RHODOPE		KHASKOVO	
XANTHI		SMOLYAN	
DRAMA			
KAVALA			
SERRES	REGION OF CENTRAL MACEDONIA	BLAGOEVGRAD	SOUTH-WEST PLANNING REGION
THESSALONIKI			



MAP OF THE ELIGIBLE AREA





Overall Strategic Outline of ETC Programme Greece-Bulgaria 2007-2013

Strategic Goal:
**To Promote the Cross-Border Area
by Ensuring Regional Cohesion
and Enhancing Competitiveness**

Specific Objective A:
**Strengthening the Attractiveness
of the Area
By Upgrading the Quality of Life
& Improving Accessibility Structures**

Specific Objective B:
**Enhancing Competitiveness
via Entrepreneurship,
Networks of Cooperation
and Human Resources**



Priority Axes

Priority Axis 1: Quality of Life

Upgrading and Management of Environmental & Cultural Assets, Health & Social Issues for the improvement of Quality of Life in the cross-border area and the welfare of its residents.

Priority Axis 2: Accessibility

Improving the transport and communication networks and ensuring an easy and safe circulation of goods, services and people in the cross-border area.

Priority Axis 3: Competitiveness & Human Resources

Stimulating entrepreneurship, investing in human capital and promoting research and innovation so as to increase competitiveness and boost the economic and social development of the cross-border area.

Priority Axis 4: Technical Assistance

Aiming at supporting the overall management and smooth implementation of the programme.



Potential Beneficiaries

1. Ministries
2. Regional Authorities
3. Local Authorities (Communities, Municipalities, Prefectures)
4. Enterprises and Development Agencies of Local Authorities
5. Local / regional NGOs and NPOs
6. Business Unions
7. Academic and Research Institutes
8. Employment Agencies
9. Tourism Organizations
10. Hospitals and Clinics / Local Health Centers
11. State Cultural Organizations
12. Other Public Entities
13. Public Equivalent Bodies

Eligibility will be based on specific criteria that have been set



Current Implementation Situation of the Programme

- 4 calls have been launched with a total budget of 120 MEURO
- 90 Projects are being implemented
- 8 Strategic projects have been approved
- 6 projects from the Reserve List have been approved



Indicative activities promoted through the Area of Intervention 1

- **Preservation of Biodiversity and Natural Resources**
- **Green Tourism**
- **Preserving Cultural and Historical Heritage**
- **Energy management**
- **Flood Management**
- **Environmental Risk Management**
- **River Management**
- **Encouragement of Cultural Collaboration**
- **Development of Spa Tourism**
- **Promoting Safe Driving**
- **Protection of the Roma Population**
- **Health issues**



Indicative activities promoted through the Area of Intervention 2

- Road Construction
- Transport Studies
- Strategies for sustainable development of transport infrastructure
- Urban rehabilitation
- Strengthening networks and border security



Indicative activities promoted through the Area of Intervention 3

- Training for Professionals and the Local Population
- Supporting Local Employment
- Increase of Competitiveness
- Upgrading of Professional's qualifications
- Improvement of labor Mobility
- Establishment and promotion of a Human Resources Management Model
- Business Incubators
- Diversifying the Tourism Product
- Information and Communication Technologies in Regional Business development
- Promotion of Organic Products
- Network of reference labs for Environmental Quality for water use
- Improving Links between Academic and Business Organizations
- Promotion of Hydrogen economy
- Product Standardization – Product Certification
- Web based language courses
- Agrigenomics transfer between Greece and Bulgaria



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The new programming period 2014-2020



INDICATIVE TIMETABLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE NEW PROGRAMMING PERIOD 2014-2020 CBC PROGRAMME

During the first quarter of 2013, sessions are to be organized of CBC task force in order for

- (a) to prioritize common thematic priorities;
- (b) define relevant eligible areas;
- (c) to elaborate the terms of references in order to

support the drafting of the programme (delegated to the expert);

Up until April 2013 external experts to be awarded (SEA, ex-ante Evaluation, Programme document) in order to support the MA and task-force for the public consultation with National Authorities, Regions and Relevant Stakeholders;

- **Up until October 2013 to complete the drafting of the programming document** by the task force. MC will be informed by the MA accordingly on the CBC Programme, including the 4 thematic priorities, definition of eligible areas, proposed budget and contents as foreseen by regulation;



INDICATIVE TIMETABLE FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE NEW PROGRAMMING PERIOD 2014-2020 CBC PROGRAMME

- **Autumn 2013 the National Agreement with EU to be signed**, including general objectives of the two countries;
- **December 2013 CBC Programme** to be submitted to **E. U Commission**;
- **February 2014 Congress on Best Practices of CBC 2007-2013 Programme** to be held, Focusing on building up strong partnerships and joint beneficial networks in thematic sectors of entrepreneurship, innovation, social cohesion, environment and sustainable development.



For the next Programming period:

- Expected increase in funding European Territorial Cooperation 2014-2020
- Cohesion Policy aims to be simpler, more flexible, clearer.
- Especially for ETC Programmes it is proposed to have more harmonised eligibility rules, fusion of the functions of the Managing and the certifying authority and the possibility to cover 15 % of staff costs with a flat rate payment
- Harmonisation of rules with other Common Strategic Framework (CSF) Funds: ERDF, ESF, CF, EAFRD, EMFF



Main Targets of EUROPE 2020

- ❖ 3% of expenditure on R&D;
- ❖ 75% of population aged 20-64 to be **employed**;
- ❖ **Early school leavers** percentage should be under 10%;
- ❖ At least 40% of 30 - 34 years old should have completed a **tertiary or equivalent education**;
- ❖ Reducing the number of people at **risk of poverty or exclusion** by 20 million within the EU;
- ❖ 20% increase in **Energy Efficiency**;
- ❖ 20% of energy supplies to come from **renewables resources**;
- ❖ 20% **Green House Gas (GHG) emissions** reduction compared to 1990.



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- Greece - Italy: Presentations of the Info Day on the Call for Strategic Project Proposals
- Greece - Italy: Info Day for the Call for Strategic Project Proposals
- Greece - Italy: Official website launched

The team...

Our officers are responsible for the management of five bilateral cross-border Programmes and the national coordination of the seven multilateral Programmes, Greece is participating in

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Calls for Proposals

- From 22/03/2013 - 07/05/2013 (open)
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- From 27/08/2012 - 14/12/2012 (closed)
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