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## Programmes in Serbia - Evolution

### CARDS 2004-2006

- CADSES
- Adriatic CBC
- Hungary-Serbia
- Bulgaria-Serbia
- Romania-Serbia

### IPA 2007-2013

- SEE
- Adriatic CBC
- Hungary-Serbia
- Bulgaria-Serbia
- Romania-Serbia
- Croatia-Serbia
- Serbia-BiH

### IPA II 2014-2020

- Danube
- Adriatic-Ionian
- Croatia-Serbia
- Hungary-Serbia
- Bulgaria-Serbia
- Romania-Serbia
- Serbia-BiH
- Serbia-



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# PROGRAMMING 2021-2027

## Interreg programmes

- Most of the programmes well advanced in preparation of programme
- No possibility for meetings in person and dynamic exchange slowed down the process significantly
- Still no info on funds available



### **Covid 19 impact:**

- PO5 challenge slowed down programming because of
  - no possibility for meetings and exchanges
  - Bottom-up approach for developing of territorial strategies
- No significant impact on territorial analysis or on decision on priorities

Year 2020: Covid + elections throughout the region



# **PROGRAMMING 2021-2027**

## **IPA-IPA Programmes**

- Light programming started with online meetings
- Still no instructions from DG NEAR on programming reg. priorities/clusters, no Country Strategy Papers, etc.
- Still no info on funds available
- 26 May 2020 DG NEAR issued the letter for NIPAC on programming focused mainly on main-stream IPA. For CBC:

‘In the case of IPA-IPA Cross-Border Cooperation (CBC) programmes, we invite you to prepare the draft IPA CBC Programmes covering the seven-year period, in cooperation with the EU Delegations and Headquarters as well as relevant CBC structures.’



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# WESTERN BALKANS

Sometimes we are



But, EU integrations can be



... challenging

Interreg is ...



...bringing us  
together

## BECAUSE



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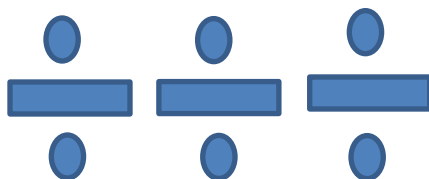
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Since we are working ...

...on things we **SHARE**...

...and not ....



Thank you!