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WBF 5th Call for Proposals
List of Recommended Projects

BELGRADE

Name of the Project	Name of the Lead Applicant	Partnership	Overall Impact of the Projects
Regional youth festival "Little Night Music"	Kancelarija za mlade grada Kragujevca	RS, MKD, BiH, MNE	The project contributes to regional cooperation and cohesion in WB6 region through enhancement of regional intercultural dialogue and cultural cooperation through joint participation of young artists from WB6 region at cultural-artistic events and trainings in the field of culture.
Miredita, Dober Dan!	Youth Initiative for Human Rights Serbia	RS, KS, BiH	The project contributes to foster good unneighborly relations and contribute to the regional reconciliation efforts in the Western Balkans, promoting cultural cooperation and supporting youth cross-border mobility.
Intercultural learning for all	Association "Halfway there"	RS, MKD, BiH	The project contributes to enhance good neighborly relations and reconciliation in the region through disability inclusiveness, social and cultural cooperation, promoting their integration and establishing people to people links.
Interaction Teen Doc Workshop 2023 - Towards a Better Region	Independent Film Centre "Filmart"	RS, MNE, BiH, MKD, HR	The project contributes to expanding regional cooperation, reconciliation processes and mutual intercultural dialogue in the Western Balkans through work with young people (especially from smaller towns) in the field of documentary film and media literacy, respecting the principles of gender equality and inclusiveness of sensitive groups in order to improve good neighborly relations.
Open Western Balkan Collaboratory on Online Platform Work: Serbia, Albania and Bosnia & Herzegovina	Public Policy Research Centre	RS, ALB, BiH	The project contributes to enhance cooperation and scientific exchange among educational and research institutions, civil society and public sector in the domain of online platform economy which is increasingly attracting young workforce from Western Balkans, and may potentially contribute to prevention of brain drain; to promote gender equality and equal opportunities.
WB cities creating more opportunities for young people	Local Democracy Agency Subotica	RS, MNE, BiH	The project contributes to foster regional cooperation engaging cities and grass root youth groups in collaborative actions to increase opportunities for youth in sustainable development strategies, to empowering young artists, IT clusters, youth workers to work together and contribute to the promotion of creative industry and entrepreneurship development.



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PODGORICA

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Summer School for Future (STEM) leaders	Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences	MNE, ALB, RS, BiH, MKD	The project contributes to regional cooperation, and strengthen regional cohesion in the WB6 region through training future leaders in STEM with emphasis on mathematics and applications.
Accursed Mountains - Cross border Science Classroom	NGO Green Home	MNE, KS, ALB	The project contributes to enhancement of good neighborly relations in the wider area of Accursed Mountains through building cooperation, exchange and education of students and future researchers on nature protection and related issues.
ARYSE	Juventas	MNE, RS, ALB, KS, MKD	The project contributes to connect regional stakeholders, provide space for discussion and share mutual experiences in education reforms, to the higher access to the quality education of youth at risk and to enhance regional cooperation in this area setting basis for joint advocacy.
Local Communities' Climate Adaptation and Resilience "LOCCAR"	Centre for Climate Change, Natural Resources & Energy of Uni. Donja Gorica	MNE, BiH, RS	The project contributes to accelerate climate change adaptation on the local level in Western Balkans through enhancing Civil Society Organizations' (CSOs) role in transformation towards climate resilience and cross border cooperation.
Bioinforming the Youth	NVO Bioinformatika	MNE, RS, MKD	The project contributes to the education of the next generation of scientists, to stimulate innovation in the Western Balkans, to promote natural and computational sciences in the region and to enhance the modernization of the educational offer.
Research station - International Summer School	Montenegrin Science Promotion Foundation "PRONA"	MNE, RS, MKD	The project contributes to strengthening the capacity of young talents to dedicate to a more active study of natural phenomena and to recognize the perspectives of a scientific career and the requirements of modern science and technology through the reinforcing of regional cooperation.



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PRISHTINA

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Talk with Me!	Center for Global Health	KS, MKD, ALB	The project contributes to awareness raising on mental health issues through psycho-educational videos and webinars, to provide psychological support primarily psychological first aid to young people and adolescents through online chat and exchange of best practices through cross border cooperation.
Improved inclusion at basic education in the Western Balkans through sharing of experiences	EdGuard	KS, MKD, ALB	The project contributes to support regional capacity building and exchange of best practices on inclusive teaching among primary education teachers, increase competencies of beneficiary teachers on inclusive teaching methodologies and practices and to establish sustainable cooperation channels between primary education teachers in the field of inclusive education (Regional Network of Teachers).
Tailoring the Future for Women in WB Region	Shoqata Bardha	KS, MKD, ALB	The project contributes to provide a conducive and inclusive environment for active participation of women in economic and regional development and to empower women in need in the region through intensive trainings in sewing, entrepreneurship & networking.
Folktronika: Re-imagining Balkan Folk Music through Technology	S.M.A.SH	KS, MKD, ALB	The project contributes to promoting and preserving traditional folk music pieces through technology and regional collaboration among musicians, interpreting music impulses that are available from decades old recordings into and through digital age instruments and different music forms and creating a large scale of music information, encapsulating a wide range of archaic music and authentic at times music instruments from different regions of the Western Balkans
Regional empowerment of women – promotion and protection of traditional artisan products	NGO Equality	KS, RS, ALB	The project contributes to establish regional cooperation and exchange in field of promoting and preserving traditional artisanal products including targeted local interventions while promoting economic empowerment of women and inclusiveness to enhance good neighborly relations.
Game Jam Prizren	IPKO Foundation	KS, MKD, ALB	The project contributes to address the regional needs of youth for game development education that links directly into opportunities in the job market, better-equipping youth with the programming, game design, animation and other skills they need to succeed in this emerging market in the WB and beyond.



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SARAJEVO

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Regional cooperation of scientists and young researchers from the WB in mammalian ecology	Ecologa and Research Association	BiH, RS, KS, ALB, MKD, MNE	The project contributes to the improvement of regional cooperation between environmental civil societies (CSOs) in the Western Balkans and Capacity building of environmental organizations and young researchers working on valorization, monitoring and protection of mammalian biodiversity in the Western Balkans.
Western Balkan Ideathon	Foundation 787	BiH, MNE, RS	The project contributes to foster cooperation between civil society organizations in WB on topics of entrepreneurship and innovation which would further lead to the cooperation of beneficiaries supported by these CSOs, as well as to development of joint ventures and economic initiatives in the future.
West Balkan Handball Youth Cup	Rukometni klub Borac mtel	BiH, RS, MNE	The project contributes to enhancing regional cooperation amongst youth players by providing them the opportunity to improve their skills, to learn how to work in multicultural environment through organization of regional sport activities and enhance Intercultural exchange and creating bonds between peers' network amongst youth.
Future4Roots	Agricultural Cluster SRP	BiH, RS, MKD	The project contributes to preserve and create employment and self-employment for rural women and men by generating added value for their products through innovative approach, exchange of best practices to promotion of their products which in turn contributes to generation of incomes and supports rural economies of the Western Balkan region.
"We are creating a better future"	Public Institution Secondary Technical School	BiH, RS, MNE	The project contributes to create a better future for everyone in the Western Balkans through increase the competencies and skills of teachers in the field of peace education and the affirmation of the policies of reconciliation, mutual respect, getting to know the other and the different, and the importance of a healthy environment for the students in the region.
Connecting Makerspaces in the Western Balkans Region	Association "Digital Fabrication Laboratory"	BiH, MKD, RS	The project contributes to ensure connecting established makerspaces in the Western Balkans (WB) to thrive, enabling informal learning institutions to gain from practices in industry. Furthermore, it serves to strengthening the network of maker community in WB and allowing the exchange of their competencies, ideas and services for more efficient use of their resources in their future regional collaborations.



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SKOPJE

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Youth KULT Zone	Youth Alliance	MKD, BiH, RS, KS, MNE, ALB	The project contributes to foster intercultural dialogue, using digital media as a platform for social change and connection, to create and shape inclusive communities, built on solidarity, embrace and always being shaped by the dynamic Western Balkan region. Youth KULT Zone is a series online talks to bring a community of change-makers together through food, music, dance, art and other cultural aspects of society and the goal being to create common visions and mindsets for sustainable peace in the region.
Let's create music together	OOMU "Ordan Mihajloski-Ocka"	MKD, BiH, RS	The project contributes to develop the professionalism of the music schools teaching staff, bring on the table professional teaching methods/tools for educational improvement while exploring different cultures, using musical education, learning technical skills and exploring new instrumental sounds through enabling the participants to exchange experiences.
Kids Classical Music Camp	Association of pianists and music pedagogues	MKD, ALB, RS	The project contributes to promote classical music, to enhance interest, especially among children and young people, foster cooperation and mutual understanding among young musicians and their teachers, through sharing, playing and studying classical and traditional music together.
Reversing the brain drain through the Scientific Diaspora in the Western Balkans	RRGSH	MKD, MNE, KS, ALB	The project contributes to minimize the negative consequences of brain drain in the Western Balkans through the engagement of scientific diasporas in the socio-economic development of the region. Furthermore, enhancing research capacities - by strengthening regional academic capacities in relevant thematic research in the field of scientific diaspora.
Advancing regional cooperation and EU integration through the Think Balkan's initiative	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis"	MKD, RS, ALB	The project contributes to enhance regional cooperation between the Western Balkans Region by sharing scientific knowledge and practical experience on the new EU accession methodology and to further expand the existing people-to-people links in the region, promoting cooperation amongst think tanks and CSOs.
Astrotourism - fostering STEM and SDG!	Center for Education and Innovative Learning-STEMLab	MKD, KS, ALB, BiH	The project contributes to provide an alternative, educational approaches to topics that are important for the education of new generations such as; environmental protection, SDG, STEM, innovation in entrepreneurship, and astronomy. Furthermore, to create a robust Balkan network of new generations and to build a theoretical basis, a framework for the Balkan region for the impact that astrotourism may have on STEM education, SDG, and environmental protection.



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TIRANA

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Enhancing security through energy alliance- A joint Action	Albanian Institute for International Studies	ALB, MKD, KS	The project contributes to create an interactive platform for information, discussions, analysis, academic research, expertise, training, policy recommendations, advocacy and networking on all aspects of energy security in collaboration with all relevant research centers in the Western Balkans and beyond, aiming on regional cooperation and best practices exchange.
"People to People - In Music We Trust"	Social Contract Institute	ALB, MKD, RS	The project contributes to promote inter-ethnic understanding and cooperation in Western Balkan through people-to-people exchange, music, increased cooperation among citizen choirs and promote music products that highlight cultural heritage of the various ethnicities in Western Balkans (WB).
Solar energy for citizens in Western Balkans	"Friends of Korca"	ALB, MKD, RS, MNE	The project contributes to establish a network for cooperation and partnership among CSOs, communities and grass roots organizations in WB, and to create a platform that will serve as a tool, to promote the best practices of self-producers of solar energy, to facilitate the exchange of information and knowledge among diver's stakeholders and to raise awareness on the initiatives and innovative solutions on clean energy that must be adopted by policy and decision makers, aiming to build partnership and common actions in WB for unlocking the great potential of solar energy and advancing the regional agenda of sustainable development.
Girls - the game changers of politics!	Albanian Institute of Public Affairs - AIPA	ALB, MKD, MNE	The project contributes to promote and empower young women in politics, from three cities of the Western Balkans Region, in order to become an active part of politics and to raise their awareness about the important role that they should play in the political and decision-making processes, specifically starting from the local level and the public sphere as well.
Promoting Collaboration Between SMEs and Civil Society in the Fight Against Corruption	Albanian Center for Economic Research (ACER)	ALB, KS, RS	The project contributes to enhance the impact of civil society in improving public awareness and social activism through evidence-based advocacy, watchdog and policy monitoring, and dialogue with the local Governments in the area of good governance and anti-corruption. Furthermore, to strengthen CSOs' capacities for structured civil society dialogue and outreach through networking and regional cooperation.
Say and Do Green!	SEDA	ALB, MNE, MKD	The project contributes to enable free expression of the people's views and commitment for environment and climate change, stimulating open dialogue for the EU integration challenges thus contributing to sustainable development in the Western Balkan Region through encouraging engagement of stakeholders for an open dialogue and regional cooperation.