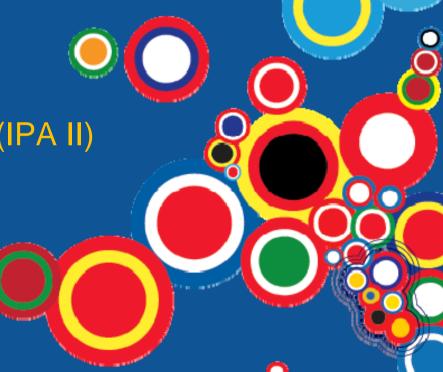




EU ENLARGEMENT PROCESS:

THE INSTRUMENT for PRE-ACCESSION ASSISTANCE – 2014-2020 (IPA II)

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Outline

- Enlargement process
- Current Situation
- The new Instrument for Pre-Accession: IPA II
- Financing opportunities



The EU Enlargement Process

- 3 Conditions for Membership
- 3 Criteria to be fulfilled: political, economic and legislative alignment
- Fourth criteria for the Western Balkans concerning regional cooperation and good neighbourly relations
- 35 chapters, reflecting the whole EU Acquis, to be negotiated



How does the EU support this process?

Instrument for pre-Accession II (IPA II)



Who are the EU Enlargement countries?

- Five candidate countries: <u>Turkey</u>,
 <u>the former Yugoslav Republic of</u>
 <u>Macedonia</u>, <u>Montenegro and Serbia</u>
- Two potential candidate countries:
 Bosnia and Herzegovina and Kosovo*
- •<u>Iceland</u>: candidate country but the negotiation process is frozen.

^{*} This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence



Enlargement Strategy 2013-2014: fundamentals first

Lessons learned from previous enlargement's waves.

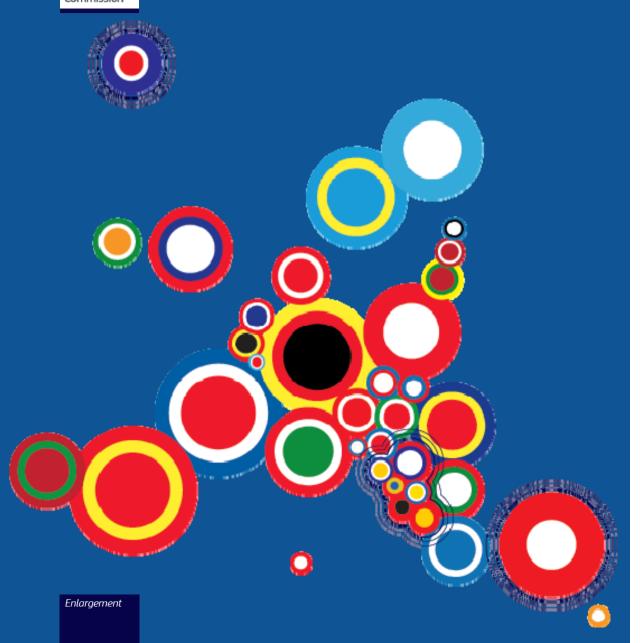
Five areas:

- Rule of Law
- Economic Governance
- Functioning of institution guaranteeing democracy
- Fundamental Rights
- Regional cooperation and good neighbourly relations



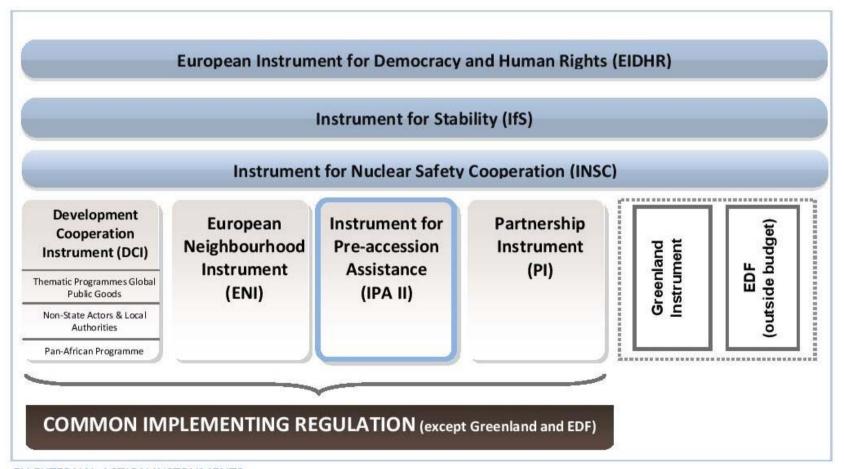
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Regulatory architecture





Common implementing regulation (cont.)

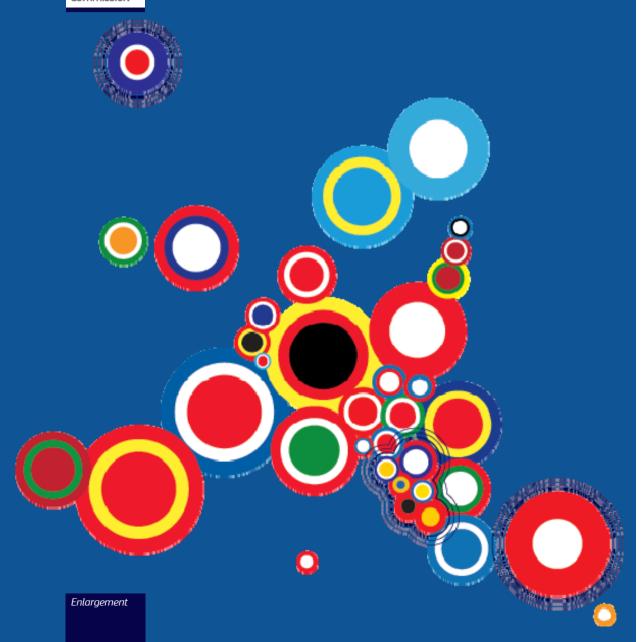


EU EXTERNAL ACTION INSTRUMENTS



IPA II 2014-2020

Scope of assistance



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Financial envelope

IPA II 2014-2020 (EUR millions) MFF data, Sept.2013

2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1573.8	1605.2	1637.4	1670.1	1703.5	1737.6	1771.1

Total amount for IPA II 11698.7

IPA 2007–2013 (EUR millions)

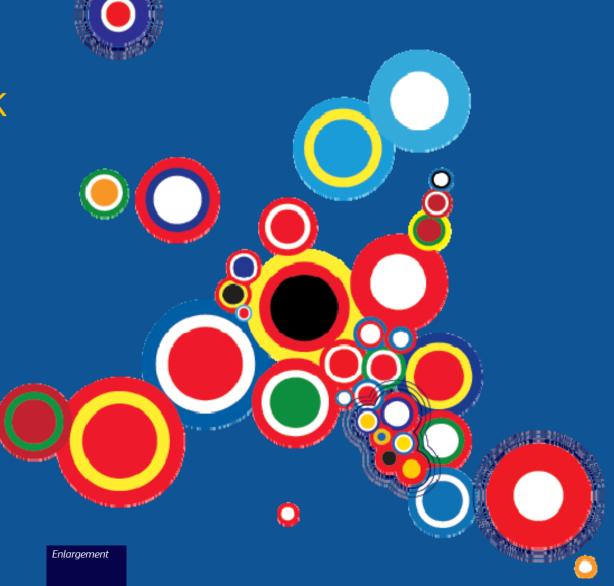
2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
1263.2	1501.4	1541.6	1591.3	1796.8	1876.0	1956.3
Total amount for IPA 11526.7						

Enlargement





Key principles & novelties





Strategy Papers – what's in them?

AMONG OTHERS:

- the **political priorities** for each beneficiary in the context of EU accession process;
- •the strategic **priorities** per sector to be addressed which are relevant for the accession process;
- •appropriate **sequencing** of the assistance per sector throughout the years;
- •annual allocations per policy area and sector for the full 2014 2020 period;
- •context and sector indicators with relevant baselines, milestones and targets for 2020.



Primary sectors to be addressed by IPA II (1)

Democracy and Rule of Law

- Democracy and governance
- Rule of Law and fundamental rights





Primary sectors to be addressed by IPA II (2)

Competitiveness and growth

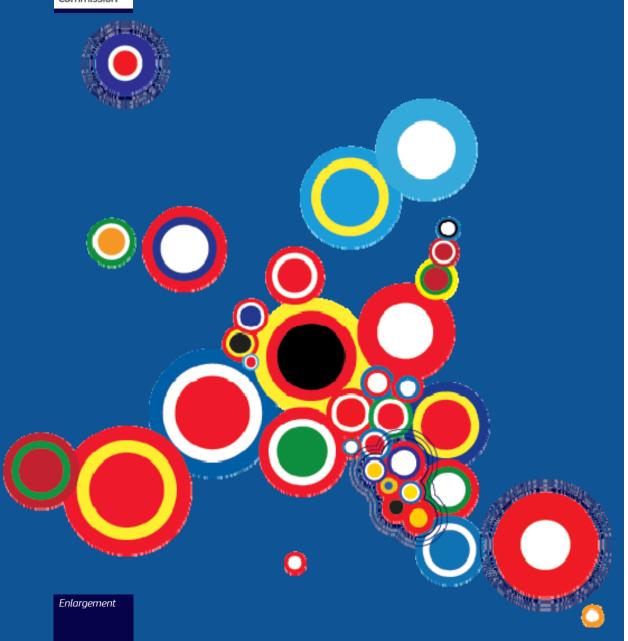
- Environment and climate action
- Transport
- Energy
- Competitiveness and innovation
- Education, employment and social policies
- Agriculture and rural development
- Regional cooperation and territorial cooperation





IPA II 2014-2020

Types of financing





How to participate

 Call for proposals and calls for tenders published on Europeaid website

http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/funding/index_en.htm

 Inclusion of partners from the Western Balkans and Turkey in consortia applying to EU Programmes (Horizon 2020, CoSME, etc.)



You can find additional information on:

DG Enlargement:

http://ec.europa.eu/enlargement/index_en.htm

DG DEVCO:

http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/index_en.htm

DG Regional Policies:

http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/index_en.cfm



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