Implementing the Western Balkans Agenda



Education

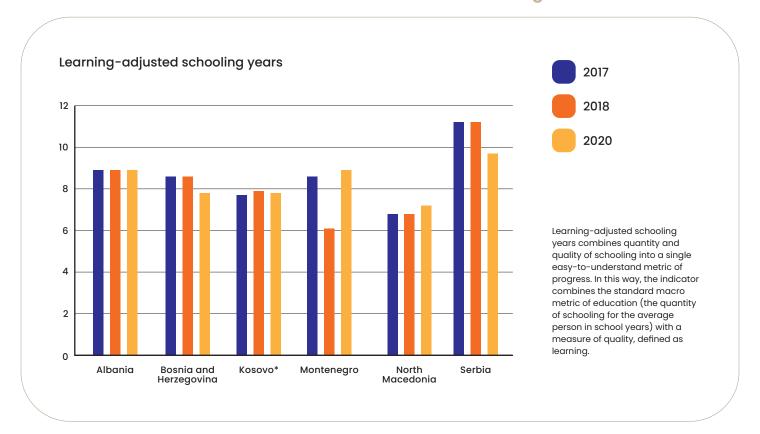
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The Western Balkans Agenda on Innovation, Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport is a long-term strategy from the EU and the Western Balkans (WB) for cooperation with the region. It will contribute to the region's economic and societal development and builds on three main pillars: Political, Thematic, and Regional.

The implementation of the Western Balkans Agenda is monitored by the project POLICY ANSWERS, and the wider context, progress and achievements are summarised in regular reports. In this brief report card, you find the results of the second round of data collection during 2023 and the first months of 2024 and a comparison with the baseline data collected in the previous round.

In terms of Education, the monitoring focuses on the context indicator "Learning-adjusted schooling years" and on a variety of achievements outlined in the WB Agenda (see next page).

Achievements in a wider context of the Western Balkans Agenda



Note

Data for 2019 not available

Source

World Bank https://tinyurl.com/sourceindicator (accessed 29 March 2024). More information on the indicator: https://tinyurl.com/moreaboutind

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Supporting innovative practices in education and training



Regional Indicator

Western Balkans Steering Platform meetings on Education and Training



Western Balkans Economy Indicators

Integration & stronger participation in EU programmes and initiatives					Fostered capacity building for R&I, education and VET	
	Supporting the implementation of acquis	Stronger participation in VET processes	Promoted WB participation under MSCA	WB Participation in Erasmus+ European University alliances	Encouraging non-research based innovation	Capacity building in POLICY ANSWERS
Albania	No projects & missions	No meetings organised No commitments reported	Increased number of promotion & info meetings Increased number of research mobility	Participation in 1 University alliance	No awareness /capacity building events reported	Capacity building activities organised
Bosnia and Herzegovina	No projects & missions	Increased number of commitments Information not provided	Increased number of promotion & info meetings No new mobility	Participation in 1 University alliance	Several awareness /capacity building events with considerable number of participants	Capacity building activities organised
Kosovo*	One bilateral TA project No missions	Information not provided	No new meetings or mobility	No participation	Increased number of awareness/ capacity building events; number of participants not specified	Capacity building activities organised
Montenegro	No projects & missions	Information not provided	Information not provided	Participation in 1 University alliance	No new events	Capacity building activities organised
North Macedonia	No new projects & no missions	Increased number of meetings and commitments	Increased number of promotion & info meetings Increased number of research mobility	Participation in 1 University alliance	One event with considerable number of participants	Planned capacity building activities organised
Serbia	No projects & missions	Increased number of commitments Information on number of meetings not provided	No new meetings or mobility	Participation in 3 University alliances	Increased number of awareness/ capacity building events with considerable number of participants	Capacity building activities organised
Legend: On track or maintaining achievement		Moderately improving, Challenges remain Stagnar		ting, ant challenges	Decreasing, Major challenges	Information not available

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Highlights

Successful participation of Western Balkans universities in the European University alliances
POLICY ANSWERS supports the Western Balkans eco-system through dedicated capacity building measures



