Implementing the Western Balkans Agenda



Education

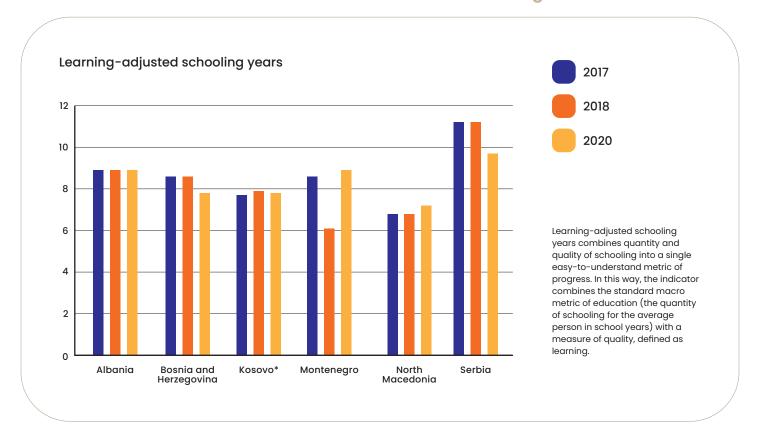
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The Western Balkans Agenda on Innovation, Research, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport is a long-term strategy from the EU and the Western Balkans (WB) for cooperation with the region. It will contribute to the region's economic and societal development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



