



# START 1st Call: Selected Projects

| No. | Project title in English  | Acronym               | Priority Area (PA) addressed                            | Name of Lead Partner   | Country                | Total project budget | START amount | % of START | Co-Financing | Summary of the overall project | Summary of the START project  | Expected results  | Projects Start  | Projects End |            |
|-----|---|-----------------------|---|--|------------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--------------|------------|
| 1   | Danube ports in the light of numbers - introducing the new level of Port Performance Indicator System for the inland waterway ports               | POPEI                 | PA 01A Mobility - Waterways                             | Hungarian Federation of Danube Ports (HDFP)                                | Hungary                | 40.303,60            | 35.400,00    | 87,81%     | 4.903,60     | n.a.                           | The aim of the project is to increase competitiveness and efficient operation of inland waterway ports by: 1. adjusting the KPIs to the port's needs and specifications in order that they could use them in practice and provide their market with real information on their services and performance; 2. transforming the KPIs to a performance indicator system applicable for (self-) measurement for the ports and qualifications of staff services. Target groups are all ports along the Danube river, but the focus will be on the 3 partner countries (Hungary, Romania and Croatia).  | Results: A new level of operation and cooperation is to be expected for the Danube ports to step up with the application of the performance indicator system. A set of qualified and classified ports can be set on a map guiding the port operators to find their ways on how to integrate themselves more efficiently to the inland waterway transport logistics chain in the Danube region.  | 01.09.2015  | 31.01.2016   |            |
| 2   | Building Competency-based Training for Port Sector Labour Force in a supportive environment   | TRAININGPORTS         | PA 01A Mobility - Waterways                             | UNION OF ROMANIAN INLAND PORTS   | Romania                | 48.197,28            | 39.200,00    | 81,16%     | 9.097,28     | n.a.                           | Road crashes are the Region's most serious transport problem. Crashes cost more than 2% of Regional GDP. The overall aim of RADAR is to save lives cost-effectively throughout the Region and bring benefits for targeted road user groups. RADAR will be the largest trans-national assessment undertaken to identify key risk factors. It will identify practical, affordable actions towards the common road safety areas proposed by the EC so it can become uniformly safe to travel in the region.  | New technologies, new jobs and almost an entire reengineering of the technological processes ask to put the labour force competence of ports in line with labour market demands. A survey of the existing competences of the labour force, the available qualification and training resources, the institutional frameworks and last but not least the labour force expectations has to be made. To cope market demands with labour force offer in terms of competence, a competency based training has to be set up in a supportive environment.   | This project will bring a deep analysis of ports labour market from three Danube countries and lay the foundation for a new project to elaborate a common model of a competency-based training system which can contribute to increase the quality of port services and to improve the perception upon and the accessibility of jobs in ports in order to facilitate labour availability and mobility in the Danube macroregion.  | 01.03.2015   | 29.02.2016 |
| 3   | Risk Assessment on Danube Area Roads  | RADAR                 | PA 01B Mobility - Road - Air                            | European Road Assessment Association                                       | Slovenia               | 44.000,00            | 39.000,00    | 88,64%     | 5.000,00     | n.a.                           | Within the framework of the development of the TEN-T network and Danube Strategy, there is a high need to intensify connections between the Baltic-Adriatic and the Mediterranean routes. The overall project objective is to create a Trans-European Logistic Centre "Vuk" in order to improve the geo-strategic position of Vukovar area.   | The purpose of the START project is to prepare the project concept, to define the budget, to prepare and submit an application for funding of the overall RADAR project.  | The START project will establish a compelling proposal for the application of the RADAR project for the Danube Region. It will enable several potential partners to contribute to the planning of RADAR and enable them to enlist the support of partner governments and any other relevant stakeholders.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 4   | TRANSPORT LOGISTIC CENTRE "VUKA"  | TLC_VUKA              | PA 01B Mobility - Road - Air                            | VUKOVAR-RIJEKA COUNTY  | Croatia                | 47.590,00            | 39.600,00    | 83,21%     | 7.990,00     | n.a.                           | As data access and data policy of the overall DanubeGeoEcom project is a key factor in the successful performance, information on data delivery and acquisition will be examined in details in the START project. The evaluation of the results will make it possible to elaborate the overall project's exact database policy, whether it will go in the direction of a "centralized" database and related web-map services, or an INPDEI compliant decentralized approach from national databases based on unified standards (metadata catalogue, WMS, WFS), or some hybrid solution.   | The following workpackages are predicted within the framework of the START project: 1. Conducting a feasibility study 2. Establishing a conceptual design of the TLC VUKA 3. Promotion of the overall project and search for project partners   | This project shall contribute to a significant development of the logistics sector in the region. This shall start new related entrepreneurial activities, and finally attract investments and increase the competitiveness of the economy and of the area in general. The most significant result of the activities within the START project is to establish concrete guidelines towards the implementation of the Transport Logistic Centre Vuk.  | 01.05.2015   | 29.02.2016 |
| 5   | Data support for the enhanced use of deep geothermal energy in the Danube Region  | DanubeGeoEcom-DATA    | PA 02 Energy  | Geological and geophysical Institute of Hungary                            | Hungary                | 43.800,00            | 39.400,00    | 89,95%     | 4.400,00     | n.a.                           | The main aim of the overall DanubeGeoEcom project is to provide scientifically based information on the deep geothermal potential of the Danube Region, in order to establish the sustainable use of the untapped resources.  | The START project will look into the current state of the implementation of ISO 50001 (only several Czech and Austrian municipalities implement ISO standard, other lack) and energy management in municipalities across the Danube region. The project builds on an idea of bringing together European institutions (mainly from Eastern Europe), stakeholders and cities to address challenges and opportunities for the transition into an environmentally sustainable, cost-effective and energy efficient management of municipal property on the current situation is insufficient and leads to energy wastage and high emissions of greenhouse gases (GHG).  | By addressing in details the database concept of the overall DanubeGeoEcom project and getting a clear picture on data availability and competences of the project partners, a major step is made forward in the successful completion of the overall project.  | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 6   | Sustainable municipal energy policy   | SMEP                  | PA 02 Energy  | FORSNNA NGO  | Czech Republic         | 38.322,00            | 31.600,00    | 82,46%     | 6.722,00     | n.a.                           | The aim of the overall project is to support a sustainable municipal energy policy and stabilize municipal energy costs in Eastern Europe with a software application and methodological support. The software will serve to facilitate and automate the fulfillment of increasing responsibilities for municipalities (MG) in the area of energy management (EM) and energy planning (EP), in the context of the implementation of common policies (IE Directive, 2012/27/EU).   | The project activities are focused on creating and empowering national and regional networks of stakeholders along the route, establishment of recommendations for improvement of a national policy framework or strategy that sets out the legal and regulatory instruments for safe and efficient bicycle use, and designing high quality action plans (projects) aimed at developing and promoting cycling projects along the route.   | It is expected that the conducted survey and Assessment report will lead to a better understanding of municipal policies on ESG, EM and EP across the countries and will help in future development of software application and methodological support in implementation of ISO 50001 and EP in the "overall project". The following workshops will serve to establish a consortium of eastern energy agencies, municipalities and Universities and will help in writing the project proposal at the same time.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 7   | Middle and Lower Danube Cycling Routes  | Danube Cycling        | PA 03 Culture & Tourism                                 | Danube Competence Center   | Serbia                 | 43.160,00            | 38.500,00    | 89,20%     | 4.660,00     | n.a.                           | Key issues are related to strengthening the competitiveness of micro, small and medium tourism service providers by enhancing their access to global markets by means of improved business opportunities through the certification scheme, its continuous improvement focus, education, training and consulting services.   | The pilot project will focus on the development and testing of a certification scheme for small hospitality sector representatives and for services with special focus on hotels. It will undertake research and use customer feedback to educate managers on new trends in tourism development and will help establish a network of certified partners to raise awareness of the Authentic Danube Quality Mark across the region and amongst selected international markets.   | Undoubtedly, amongst other things, this project will: - generate more activities and opportunities through the promotion of cycling tourism; - save the way for follow-up projects through the introduction of guidelines and involvement of suitable stakeholders; - ensure exchange of know-how and the possibility for all partners to get more value for money and an opportunity for growth.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 8   | Authentic Danube - delivering tourism excellence for visitors and industry  | AUTHENTIC DANUBE      | PA 03 Culture & Tourism                                 | Authentic Bulgaria Association   | Bulgaria               | 44.127,00            | 38.000,00    | 86,12%     | 6.127,00     | n.a.                           | The Save River flows through SI, HR, BA and RS. The Save River Basin represents an important part of the Danube River basin due to its natural heterogeneity and biodiversity. Although collection of data on environmental status is performed through the national monitoring programmes, most of the activities are limited to certain river sections, and particularly to chemical and biological parameters. No common database and data exchange mechanism has been established. So the main objective of this project is to propose a platform for efficient exchange of monitoring data and information in SRB.   | The overall aim of the project is to revitalise water affected by eutrophication in the Danube Region. The high content of nutrients and undesirable elements in the water (mainly nitrogen and phosphorus) causes excessive growth of microorganisms, mainly algae and cyanobacteria that causes the loss of oxygen in the water and limiting of higher forms of aquatic life, especially fishes in the throughout the food chain. The project will therefore serve to verify laboratory proven technology in the external conditions for the wastewater lakes, dams and manures for different polluted water and water bodies of different sizes. These issues were consulted with several institutions of the Danube region in Germany, Austria, Hungary and Serbia, where there were substantial high interests in this unconventional solution. Project methodology is based on scientific research of the project participants. | On the one hand, the project is expected to bring about indirect cooperation between stakeholders which, in turn, is bound to improve professionalism towards considerably delivering the best to visitors. The improved quality of service will result in enhanced experiences and greater satisfaction. In the meantime, this pilot phase will strengthen cooperation between partners from the "Middle and Lower" Danube and the upper stream of the river, which will inevitably play a crucial role in balancing the overall tourism development on a region wide level.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 9   | Towards the assessment of ecological status of water bodies in the Sava River Basin   | STAWA                 | PA 04 Water Quality                                     | University of Belgrade, Institute for Biological Research Siniša Stanković | Serbia                 | 39.690,32            | 34.800,00    | 87,68%     | 4.890,32     | n.a.                           | The project FLOODS was finished in March 2014. (H20K 1001/2.1.2/2009). The aim was to support the Crisis management Authorities (CMA) by providing them a concept for flood modeling and supporting their related logistic activities.  | The Save River flows through SI, HR, BA and RS. The Save River Basin represents an important part of the Danube River basin due to its natural heterogeneity and biodiversity. Although collection of data on environmental status is performed through the national monitoring programmes, most of the activities are limited to certain river sections, and particularly to chemical and biological parameters. No common database and data exchange mechanism has been established. So the main objective of this project is to propose a platform for efficient exchange of monitoring data and information in SRB.   | The outcomes of the project will provide supplementary information for the development of future water management plans and flood protection plans dealing with different use of natural resources on local, national and transnational level (SRB Management Plans, Sediment Management Plans, Plans for the development of navigation, Protocols to the FAPRI, Flood Risk Management Plan).   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 10  | Revitalization of Eutrophic Waters for Different Degrees of Pollution and the Size of Water Areas   | REWATER               | PA 04 Water Quality                                     | Technical University of Kosice, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering          | Slovakia               | 23.222,00            | 20.000,00    | 90,00%     | 2.222,00     | n.a.                           | The project FLOODS was finished in March 2014. (H20K 1001/2.1.2/2009). The aim was to support the Crisis management Authorities (CMA) by providing them a concept for flood modeling and supporting their related logistic activities.  | The overall aim of the project is to extend and modify patented technology through cooperation, through verification of its effectiveness of the new technology with the aim to disseminate results into practice.  | 1. common procedure for solving common environmental problems 2. improving the water quality 3. improved parameters to tackle water pollution   | 01.05.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 11  | Decision support tool for logistic operations of flood management   | DELOG-FLOOD           | PA 05 Environmental Risks                               | Ray Zoltan Nonprofit Ltd. for Applied Research                             | Hungary                | 43.417,30            | 38.900,00    | 89,60%     | 4.517,30     | n.a.                           | Due to the reorganization of the Ministry of Civil Protection of Ukraine in 2013, Rescue and Civil protection services fall into the governance of State administrations within each region of Ukraine. The main objective of the overall Project will be to purchase the equipment needed for volunteer rescue organizations and build bases for volunteer rescuers with a training centre in Transcarpathian Region, Ukraine.   | In the context of the START phase, the 2 partners want to assess current management processes and decision support systems and develop an international consortium.   | Complete the preparatory phase of the overall project "DELOG-FLOOD" Expected results: 1. Status quo report on the project related logistics, information systems, i.e. database, availability, activity, etc. 2. Identification of gaps in Hungary and in the neighbouring Danube countries. 3. Active project Consortium for an effective covering of the proposed DELOG-FLOOD project aims. 4. Completed DELOG-FLOOD project proposal fully fitting the Danube Strategy call and targeted aims within this preparatory phase. 5. DELOG-FLOOD project proposal submission for Danube Strategy call (or any other suitable call).   | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 12  | HelpTeamUkraine - capacity building and improved cooperation of volunteer rescue teams for better flood and emergency protection                  | HTU                   | PA 05 Environmental Risks                               | NGO "Comprehensive Rescue Center"  | Ukraine                | 43.664,00            | 38.700,00    | 88,61%     | 4.964,00     | n.a.                           | Main objectives: - Establish the necessary knowledge base - Mobilise stakeholders - Develop a roadmap for actions Target groups: - local entrepreneurs and authorities - governmental and non-governmental decision makers - scientific and technical networks  | The main objective of the START project is to transfer volunteer rescue service knowledge and practice from Czech Republic, Hungary and Slovakia to Transcarpathian Region, Ukraine.  | 1) The implementation of the START project will result in the overall improvement of capacity of Ukrainian volunteer rescue service organization 2) implementation of START project will create a strong network on LP and PPs, including other volunteer and professional rescue organizations in Czech republic, Hungary, Slovakia and Ukraine. 3) 12 Ukrainians, 1 Hungarian and 1 Slovakian trainer will be trained in Czech Republic in order to perform the training of rescue volunteers in Ukraine. 4) Ukrainians staff members of two NGOs will raise the level of knowledge in the sphere of rescue service organization and capacity building 5) Full implementation project application package will be prepared for EU-fundings.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 13  | Ex-situ survey to preserve sturgeon genetic diversity in the Middle and Lower Danube  | STURGINE              | PA 06 Biodiversity, landscapes, quality of air and soil | International Association for Danube Research                              | Austria                | 43.198,00            | 39.300,00    | 90,81%     | 4.898,00     | n.a.                           | The sturgeon population in the Danube has been declining in the last century and fell to a level that makes the species now critically endangered. Hence, there is an urgent need to preserve the populations in ex-situ facilities (outside the natural habitats). The aim of this is to support their conservation by restoring and reintroducing sturgeons into natural habitats. Total estimated value: approximately EUR 4.000.000   | The project addresses the pollution crisis (scientific term is Colony Collapse Disorder - CCD), which directly threatens the biodiversity. The START project intends to raise public awareness by presenting collected facts to the public and relevant decision makers in the EU member states in the Danube - Serbia, Montenegro and Bosnia & Herzegovina.  | The Start project will create new contacts with the relevant fishery stakeholders, thus creating an inventory of existing expertise. Facilities and sturgeon stocks in captivity in the Middle and Lower Danube River Basin will contribute to enlarging the DST network and prepare the ground for future joint measures. The dissemination activities, addressed to local stakeholders and policy makers, aim at increasing public and political support for sturgeon conservation, which will contribute also to the implementation of other activities and targets of FLOOD.  | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 14  | Bee-Biodiversity  | B-B                   | PA 06 Biodiversity, landscapes, quality of air and soil | VELEJ VISION   | Serbia                 | 36.150,00            | 32.000,00    | 88,52%     | 4.150,00     | n.a.                           | The overall aim is to develop and implement a surgical technique for orthopedic revision surgeries, which compared to usual techniques doesn't damage human tissue and has limited traumatic effect. This technique is based on pulsed water jet (PWJ).   | The main objective of the START project is to create an international working team, prepare a feasibility study and organize workshops for project preparation with the aim to apply for H2020 funding and to orientate future activities.  | To improve the protection of the bees, a coordinated action among states is necessary. One important step in this process is thus, to raise awareness among the population - with the long term goal of banning the pesticides completely. The START project gives all involved parties an opportunity to show the most eminent dangers for bees and, therefore, for the biodiversity in the involved countries.  | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 15  | Pulsating water jet as an orthopaedic technique without thermal and mechanical damage of large joints with minimal traumatizing impact on patient | WORTH                 | PA 07 Knowledge Society                                 | Institute of Geonics AS CR, v.v.i.   | Czech Republic         | 37.394,54            | 28.000,00    | 74,88%     | 9.394,54     | n.a.                           | The overall aim is to develop and implement a surgical technique for orthopedic revision surgeries, which compared to usual techniques doesn't damage human tissue and has limited traumatic effect. This technique is based on pulsed water jet (PWJ).   | The aim within START is to create an international working team, prepare a feasibility study and organize workshops for project preparation with the aim to apply for H2020 funding and to orientate future activities.   | The project will enable the acquisition of essential information for the preparation of a detailed study to introduce the new technique in medical practice. This document will be used as a basis of the future project preparation in the framework of HORIZON 2020. In addition, the acquired information will significantly improve the project concept and budget activities. Teamwork strategy will integrate individual disciplines in the field of medicine, nursing and engineering in order to facilitate the knowledge transfer among team members.  | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 16  | Bioethics Standards in Transnational research   | BEST-NETWORK          | PA 07 Knowledge Society                                 | University of Agricultural Sciences and Veterinary Medicine (UASVM)        | Romania                | 43.485,80            | 39.000,00    | 89,68%     | 4.485,80     | n.a.                           | The project objectives aim to develop, through specific & adequate activities, a competitive network of research institutions & bioethics centres in the region, having a great interest to develop their own qualified staff at the junction of Bioethics with TR domain. A Center of Education & Research in Bioethics will be developed within the Life Science Institute from IASVM Cluj Napoca. Danube BEST-NETWORK will offer an independent body in the region to advise policy makers & to stimulate the debates on bioethics & TR.   | The project addresses the pollution crisis (scientific term is Colony Collapse Disorder - CCD), which directly threatens the biodiversity. The START project intends to raise public awareness by presenting collected facts to the public and relevant decision makers in the EU member states in the Danube - Serbia, Montenegro and Bosnia & Herzegovina.  | The project will improve the quality of education and of the teaching curriculum in various fields of Bioethics. By its complex activities and programs, the BEST-NETWORK project will contribute to the public awareness on some current debates concerning the application of bioethics standards in transnational research (e.g. transnational research in biotechnology and related bioethics), as well as on the challenges raised by the development of knowledge based society. Cooperation and collaboration with similar networks (IATRS in Europe, NH in USA) is targeted.  | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 17  | Smart Furniture Remanufacturing   | Furni-RE              | PA 08 Competitiveness                                   | Bulgarian Furniture Cluster  | Bulgaria               | 49.187,12            | 38.800,00    | 78,88%     | 10.387,12    | n.a.                           | Remanufacturing is a form of recycling by manufacturing, where used durable goods are refurbished to a condition comparable to new products, with reduced energy and resource consumption. Remanufactured goods are produced at a fraction of the original cost and with lower emissions of pollution. Furni-RE is also addressing the lack of skilled workforce, low attractiveness for young people and the low level of innovation in enterprises - problems relevant for most of the countries in the Danube region.  | The following workpackages are conducted within the framework of the START project: 1. establishing a successful project team (partnership) incl. management structure which can be transferred into larger project 2. defining the status quo of the environmental aspects of the Furniture Sector & Furniture Remanufacturing 3. Key instrument for environmental sustainability and business growth (produce an extensive research study) 4. Funding for the larger project (develop a Project Funding Opportunities Research and Action Plan) and develop an application incl. project budget) 5. strengthening the cluster cooperation (strategic meetings and events) 6. making the project visible (set up project publicity measures - Kick-off event)  | Achieving the project objectives will result in: - Joint Project Team formation between the Project partners, leading to sustainable development of their future partnerships. - Gaining up-to-date information about Environmental aspects of the Furniture Remanufacturing and its future sustainability. - Clear and detailed funding opportunities plan 2014-2020. - Six Strategic partnership and networking meetings conducted between each project partner and its national Target group, leading to identification of possible issues and opportunities. - Detailed project concept & budget development at least one application submitted. - Wide publicity measures implemented, leading to dissemination of the Furniture Remanufacturing idea and the START project results.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 18  | Smart and Innovative Rural Areas - Connect Centres of Competences   | SIRA DANUBE connected | PA 08 Competitiveness                                   | University of Hohenheim  | Germany                | 54.665,00            | 39.200,00    | 71,97%     | 15.265,00    | n.a.                           | The overall project "SIRA DANUBE - Connect Centres of Competences" aims to foster the competitiveness of Danube rural areas by enhancing the institutional set-up and appropriate means to capitalise knowledge and innovation by SMEs. For this, innovation hubs and knowledge brokerage, respectively Centres of Competences (CC) for Smart and Innovative Rural Areas in the Danube region and their transnational network structure shall be established.   | The main objective of the START project is to develop the complete project plan and proposal for funding within the Danube Transnational Programme 2014-2020 for the overall project. Together with already existing partners the draft concept needs to be specified, incl. legal and financial set-up, stakeholder involvement and national co-financing and sustainability of the CC.  | Main result will be a participative developed project proposal for the Danube Transnational Programme, based on the information gathered in the preparatory phase. The proposal will include a detailed description of the process of proposal elaboration, high quality concepts for the CC and the overall project are developed.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.12.2015 |
| 19  | Danube Competence Centres for Creativity and Entrepreneurship   | Danube ENTRE          | PA 09 People & Skills - EDUCATION                       | Business Support Centre for Small and Medium Enterprises Ruse              | Bulgaria               | 37.305,00            | 33.200,00    | 89,00%     | 4.105,00     | n.a.                           | The overall goal is to build up a discussion about fostering creativity and entrepreneurship within the dedicated Working Group under PA09 "Creativity and entrepreneurship" and setting up Competence Centres for Creativity and Entrepreneurship.   | In order to implement the overall project "Competence Centres for Creativity" with EU funding, a detailed project preparation is necessary, which is to be conducted as a START project. The START goal is to prepare the project idea to a fundable project concept, incl. implementing a feasibility study, preparing the project concept and adaptation plan, researching available funding possibilities (e.g. Danube programme) and thus a complete application for an EU-funding programme.   | The implementation of the START project activities should lead to the following results/outcomes: 1. A detailed project concept and budget plan for the establishment of Danube Competence Centres for Creativity and Entrepreneurship and linking into a viable Network 2. Having established a network of at least 15 stakeholders per participating country from the target groups in the preparation process through consultation workshops to discuss their roles within the concept of operation of the Competence Centres. 3. As a follow-up, after the START completion, the project proposal for the implementation of Competence centres (including the documents that have been developed with the help of the START fund) should be submitted for funding.  | 01.04.2015   | 30.09.2015 |
| 20  | "Milestones of Learning Development" - Strategic improvement and development of life-long learning programs within Danube region                  | MLD                   | PA 09 People & Skills - EDUCATION                       | South East European Youth Network  | Bosnia and Herzegovina | 39.619,12            | 35.000,00    | 88,34%     | 4.619,12     | n.a.                           | The LP is playing a relevant role in capacity building and non-formal education programs for young people and workers. As the involvement of young people after these trainings is not fostered and supported enough, the programs do not have long term impacts. Therefore specific agenda depicting the outcomes on a long term basis is needed in order to enhance and extend the young people's learning experience. This valuable investment in skills should contribute to fighting unemployment and, thus, to creating a democratic, stable, tolerant and prosper society. The specific project goal is to intensify improve and enhance the content of our work regarding life-long learning activities by identifying needs and requirements of users, establishing relevant partnership and, developing an action plan and specific projects. | The LP is playing a relevant role in capacity building and non-formal education programs for young people and workers. As the involvement of young people after these trainings is not fostered and supported enough, the programs do not have long term impacts. Therefore specific agenda depicting the outcomes on a long term basis is needed in order to enhance and extend the young people's learning experience. This valuable investment in skills should contribute to fighting unemployment and, thus, to creating a democratic, stable, tolerant and prosper society. The specific project goal is to intensify improve and enhance the content of our work regarding life-long learning activities by identifying needs and requirements of users, establishing relevant partnership and, developing an action plan and specific projects.   | The final product will serve as a baseline for other organizations working in a similar field. Young people will benefit from this project as an innovative agency for filling gaps after their participation in LLL programmes is developed. In the long run, this should increase employability and decrease youth unemployment. Plus, it will enhance their personality development and increase their active participation in society. As a follow-up, the results of this project will be used to develop further projects to improve the job situations of young workers, to improve the non-formal LLL activities and its impact on young people, and towards their personal development and employability. Ideally, 6 applications for other funding sources will be submitted throughout the course of this START project. | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 21  | Danube Social Service & Education Cluster   | DSEEC                 | PA 09 People & Skills - LABOUR                          | FEDERATION OF SOCIAL NGOs IN BULGARIA                                      | Bulgaria               | 43.657,89            | 38.600,00    | 88,41%     | 5.057,89     | n.a.                           | Enhance the quality of vocational education and training in BG and RD in order to integrate it better into the general educational structures. The access to lifelong learning, to general education of disadvantaged groups, in particular Roma children as well as the access to social services for children and older people have to be improved. Preparations for future funding (e.g. ERASMUS)  | START aims: in order to strengthen administrative capacities of DR public authorities, the following activities are necessary: 1. Developing a process model for a roll-out of a transnational vocational training approach for PA in the DR 2. Systematic elaboration of a development approach along the value-added chain 3. Forming a transnational institutional network of 3 different levels 4. Preparing a business plan for a territorial roll-out of a transnational administrative capacity building   | On social policy level: - creation of a transnational cluster of social NGOs; - common position paper (incl. national case studies) Activity 2.4 - cluster should open perspectives to cooperation with other partner countries / Activity 3.5 On organisational level: - benchmarking education and training practices by developing benchmark lists / Activity 1.2 - improve key competences of stakeholders / Activity 2   | 01.03.2015   | 29.02.2016 |
| 22  | START Danube Network of Training Experts for Public Administration  | START-DANTEPA         | PA 10 Institutional Capacity and Cooperation            | Euro-Institute   | Germany                | 49.395,00            | 39.200,00    | 79,36%     | 10.195,00    | n.a.                           | Overall objective: is to strengthen administrative capacities on the local & regional level in the Danube Region by implementing a sustainable transnational capacity building approach on a Danube Region (DR) wide basis. The aim is to install a three level transnational network between Vocational Education & Training Systems, Civil Services and Governments. Estimated value for a DR wide roll-out - 3 M €. €  | START aims: in order to strengthen administrative capacities of DR public authorities, the following activities are necessary: 1. Developing a process model for a roll-out of a transnational vocational training approach for PA in the DR 2. Systematic elaboration of a development approach along the value-added chain 3. Forming a transnational institutional network of 3 different levels 4. Preparing a business plan for a territorial roll-out of a transnational administrative capacity building   | The main deliverable of the project is a fully detailed concept which enables the partners to apply for INTERREG Vb Danube or other identified sources, which are appropriate for the roll-out of the capacity building concept. Without the support from START such an application would lack completeness, verification (proof of concept) and likely also sufficient partners.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 23  | BUILDING CAPACITIES IN THE DANUBE REGION  | B-CAP                 | PA 10 Institutional Capacity and Cooperation            | L&R Social Research  | Austria                | 42.756,00            | 33.700,00    | 78,82%     | 9.056,00     | n.a.                           | To provide unemployed youth and elderly workers with vocational qualification in the construction and restoration sector. The project is based on the experiences of a model project in Mölbling to renovate historical buildings in Saale-Holzland and prepare young people for touristic purposes. To develop strategies for further touristic use of these renovated historical buildings and centres.   | START objectives: 1. develop a concept and financing structure for developing a center for youth and elderly qualification and restoration 2. develop a concept and financing structure for a tourism strategy in Baile 3. develop a concept and financing structure for an EU funds capacity building strategy (training courses)  | All relevant actors are identified and involved in the development of the project concept. The needs of potential participants are evaluated (questionnaire). And this is the base for the development of a capacity building training course. A common project concept including a budget plan is developed on a sound base.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 24  | Cybersecurity in Danube Region  | CDanube               | PA 11 Security  | CZ.NC.Association  | Czech Republic         | 45.770,00            | 38.500,00    | 84,12%     | 7.270,00     | n.a.                           | The project is based on the fact that so far there has been no activity linking the individual national CSIRT teams (Computer Security Incident Response Teams) in the Danube Region, while there are many common issues including the need to safeguard critical infrastructure or protect against a possible attack coming from outside the EU/Danube region. The individual project activities, especially education and sharing of the tools for solving/eliminating cyber attacks, are planned in such a manner that other CSIRTs from the Danube Region can participate in those activities.  | Considering that cyber crime knows no boundaries and some types of attacks are regularly targeted, the project will establish an information flow among the individual teams. The aim is that the information exchange works also after its completion on the basis of ongoing needs (attacks). Thanks to the participation of a multidisciplinary partner, the project will target also the area of transformation cooperation. The above mentioned activities together with the training will strengthen the expert capacities.   | The project will establish a platform of stakeholders and will add an response to a serious crime threat in the Danube region. It will also play a role of suggestions on how to improve the operation between the criminal police, prosecutors and border services in the Danube Region.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
| 25  | Black Trafficking of Remains in the Danube Region   | ITF                   | PA 11 Security  | Foundation - Centre for European Perspectives                              | Slovenia               | 37.565,28            | 32.400,00    | 86,25%     | 5.165,28     | n.a.                           | Main objective of this START project is to improve the fight against illicit trafficking of firearms in the Danube Region through strengthened cooperation between practitioners (law enforcement and judicial authorities) and researchers. International networking among practitioners from criminal law enforcement and judicial authorities as well as researchers and Europe need to be improved. This project will enhance law enforcement activities and security in the Danube Region.   | The project will establish a platform of stakeholders and will add an response to a serious crime threat in the Danube region. It will also play a role of suggestions on how to improve the operation between the criminal police, prosecutors and border services in the Danube Region.   | The project will establish a platform of stakeholders and will add an response to a serious crime threat in the Danube region. It will also play a role of suggestions on how to improve the operation between the criminal police, prosecutors and border services in the Danube Region.   | 01.04.2015   | 31.03.2016 |
|     |   |                       |   |  |                        | € 1.059.103,15       | € 900.000,00 | 85,30%     | 159.103,15   |                                |   |   |   |              |            |