



The European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI)

Overview



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- Financial instrument of the **European Neighbourhood Policy**
- Beneficiaries: **16 partner countries**
- ENI budget for 2014-2020: **€15.4 billion**
- Bilateral and regional dimensions
- **More for-more** → umbrella programme, incentive-based
- **Multiannual programming documents:**
 - ✓ period covered: 2, 3 or 4 years
 - ✓ 3 priority sectors per country,
 - ✓ support for capacity development and civil society
- Tailor-made **Annual Action Programmes** (AAPs) per country



European Neighbourhood Instrument (ENI) – Novelties vs ENPI

- **OBJECTIVE**

Give support to the implementation of the political initiatives shaping the ENP, including the Eastern Partnership and the Union for the Mediterranean.

- **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

- ✓ Giving incentives and rewarding best performers
- ✓ Offering funds in a faster and more flexible manner
- ✓ Be increasingly policy driven based on fewer key sectors for each country
- ✓ Greater differentiation
- ✓ Mutual accountability

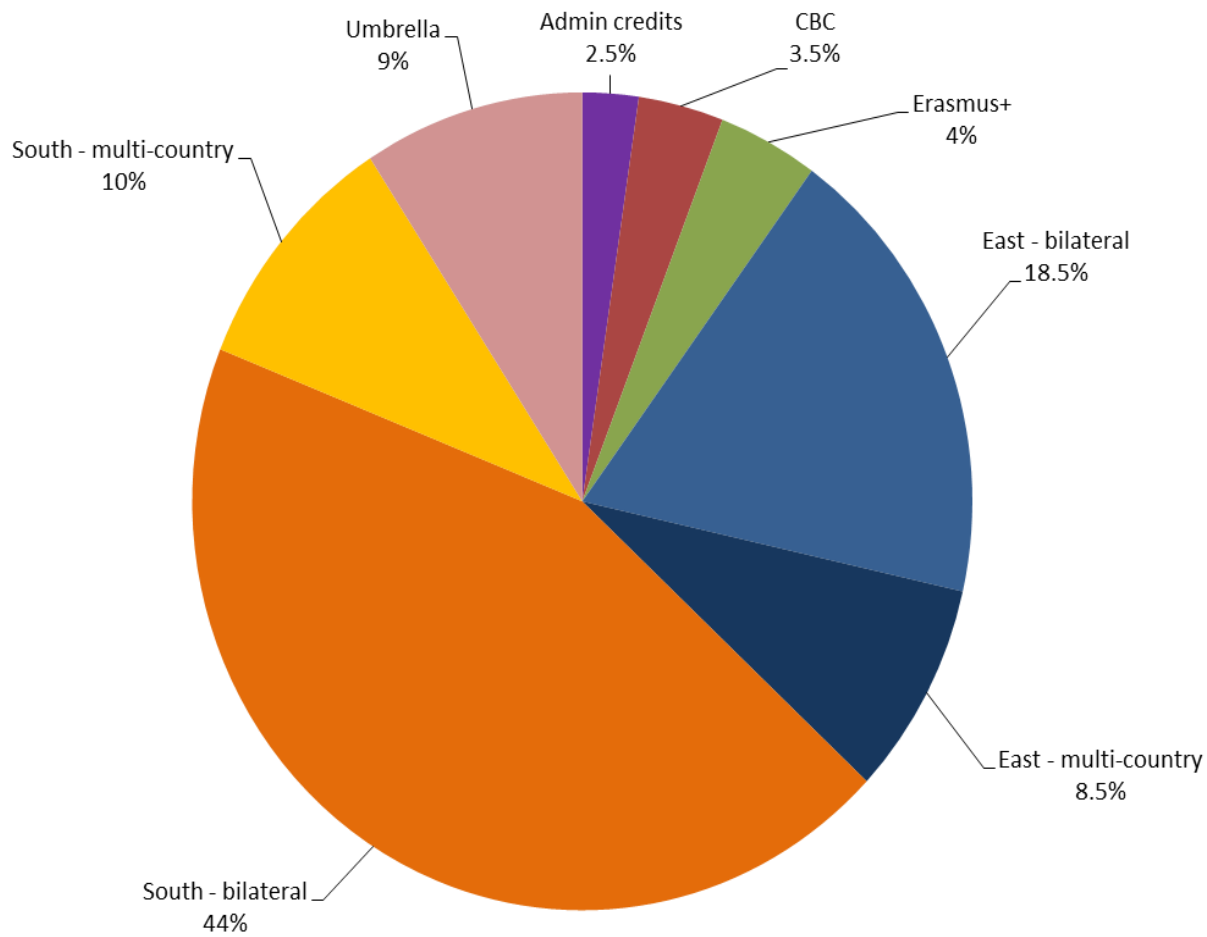


ENI targets

- (1) Human rights and fundamental freedoms, RoL, democracy good governance***
- (2) Integration into the EU internal market***
- (3) Mobility of people***
- (4) Development, poverty reduction, internal economic, social and territorial cohesion, rural development, climate action and disaster resilience.***
- (5) Confidence building measures and conflict resolution***
- (6) Enhancing sub-regional, regional and Neighbourhood wide collaboration.***

EU Budget: ENI 2014-2020 indicative breakdown (EUR 15,433 million*)

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- **Umbrella:** up to 10% of the ENI
- **CBC:** up to 5% of the ENI
- **Erasmus+:** max. contribution from ENI 641M€
- **East/South:** 1/3 East vs. 2/3 South of ENI budget
- **Bilateral/Multi-country:** up to 20% of the East/South allocations

* excluding reinforcements and/or budget transfers from other instruments

Bilateral Overview by subregion

<u>Country</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Neighbourhood East	359 Million €	700 Million € *
Neighbourhood South	1,2 Billion €	1,5 Billion €

* Linked to the exceptional situation in Ukraine

EU bilateral support on Regional development

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- A common approach in EaP countries since 2007 through **the Pilot Regional Development Programmes (PRDP)**.
- **The focus** of the PRDP programmes was to learn from the lessons of the enlargement countries, which showed that they could not effectively process larger scale regional development funding without the appropriate regional development institutional structures in place.

A successful example : Georgia(1)

- **First programme** (concluded - 19 M€) aimed at setting up the basis for a regional development policy

- **Second programme** (ongoing - 30 M€) support the Government in the establishment of a modern bottom up process and a robust monitoring system.

- **Results**
 - Adoption of the Government's Regional Development Programme (2014)
 - Adoption of a new law on Local Self Governance (2014) supporting the Decentralisation process

A successful example : Georgia(2)

➤ Next steps

- Continued EU support to the ongoing process
- Importance of support to local authorities to build their capacity to enable them to play a role in regional development and in the identification of local needs

EU territorial cooperation with Georgia

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➤ **Two programmes :**

- With Armenia
- With Azerbaijan

➤ **Overall objective**

- to strengthen cross border relations between local authorities, communities and civil society organisations to develop joint solutions to common social and economic development challenges in the participating border regions.

➤ **Duration and amount**

- Launched in 2014 until 2018.
- The EU contribution to each programme amounts to EUR 1.35 million.