

#ReLOaD

KEY RESULTS



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Over 4 years of implementation, more than 100,000 people benefited from various projects

Albania
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Kosovo*
North Macedonia
Montenegro
Serbia

ReLOaD focused on strengthening cooperation between local authorities and civil society.

Local authorities have taken into consideration the needs of citizens in order to improve living conditions in local communities.



New services for people with disabilities were introduced.



From culture and education to environmental protection and social inclusion, ReLOaD aimed to bridge the existing gap in service delivery to citizens.



The programme provided workshops in various skills for youth, women and Roma people that prepared them for the job market of today.



Children were actively involved in cultural, educational and sports activities.



Local production and female entrepreneurship have been identified as key elements of local development.



ReLOaD empowered civil society to participate actively in decision-making.



Old people were given attention and much needed care.

The programme supported

493 PROJECTS

led by civil society organizations

116 Social inclusion

59 COVID19 support

41 Education

90 Youth

48 Poverty reduction

12 Gender

78 Environment

44 Culture

5 Volunteerism

KEY RESULTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS



National Assessments of CSO funding mechanisms (national) conducted

Selection of partner local governments

155 local governments expressed interest to participate in the EU-funded ReLOaD programme (31.5% out of 490 local governments in six beneficiaries of the WB)



53 local governments (municipalities and cities) selected



82
Albania



217
Bosnia and Herzegovina



52
Kosovo



55
Montenegro



43
North Macedonia



44
Serbia

493

civil society projects implemented across the Western Balkan

Capacity development - local governments (LGs)

Assessments of existing (budget) mechanisms for public funds disbursement to CSOs each partner LG

Training needs assessments performed in each locality to tailored approach to cap. development

210 LG officials increased capacities in:

Transparent CSO funding and LOD methodology (LOD Methodology for Allocation of Funds to Civil Society Organizations)

PCM through training and on job capacity building + on-the-job coaching;



51

LGs adopted (municipal/city councils) transparent funding mechanism (one in Serbia in progress)

40

LGs utilized its own funds using newly introduced funding mechanism

ReLOaD team still provides support to partner LGs.

Public calls for CSOs



128 public calls organized across the WB region in total

2 rounds of CfP

493 CSO projects awarded

1,548 monitoring visits executed

Capacity development – civil society organisations

1,451 CSO increased capacities - PCM and project proposal trainings

545 CSO participated in joint mentoring sessions for CSOs – successful measure

Visibility and promotion

More than **4,000**

media appearances – ReLOaD one of the most visible UNDP projects



Knowledge sharing

Regional knowledge platform developed www.eulocaldemocracy4wb.org

2 regional conferences organized – almost 200 participants in total

