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Human capital

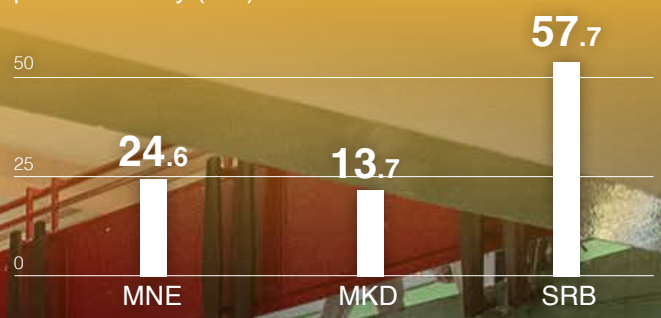
Through the WBIF, the EU invests in people by supporting education, health, research and innovation facilities across the Western Balkans.

These investments strengthen skills and public services, reduce inequalities, foster social inclusion and promote sustainable and inclusive growth.

€96 m
WBIF contribution to investments

€569 m
Total investments value

WBIF contribution
per beneficiary (€m)

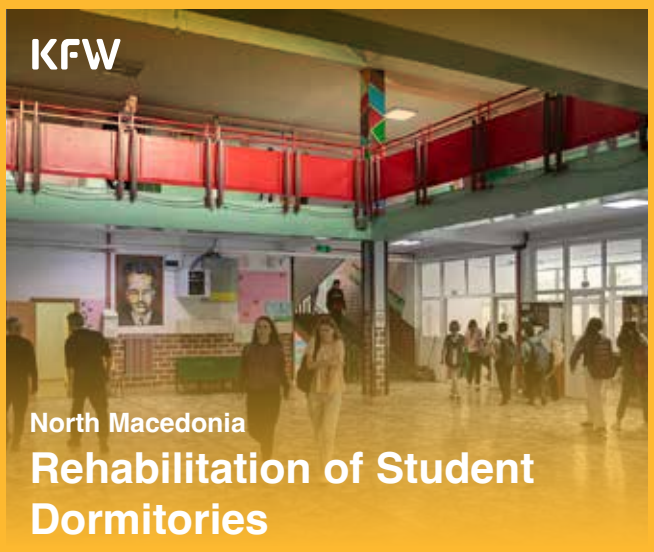


Results | Ongoing projects

	Pre-primary schools	Students enrolled (p.a.)	Primary and secondary schools	Students enrolled (p.a.)	Tertiary education facilities	Students enrolled (p.a.)	Healthcare facilities	Outpatient admissions (p.a.)
Works completed	/	/	41	59,660	/	/	/	/
Under construction	1	120	/	/	/	/	1	6,640
In preparation	6	2,024	3	2,274	6	15,000	/	/

Photo: Schools Rehabilitation Project, North Macedonia

Highlighted projects



North Macedonia

Rehabilitation of Student Dormitories

WBIF contribution	€10.5 m
Total investment value	**€36.7 m**
Expected completion	2029

This project comprehensively renovates six student dormitories, providing more than 26,000 beds across North Macedonia, while improving energy efficiency and structural safety. It transforms outdated buildings into healthy, sustainable and inclusive living spaces and reduces CO_2 emissions by 1,100 tonnes annually.



Montenegro

Education Infrastructure Improvement

WBIF contribution	€11.4 m
Total investment value	**€64.3 m**
Expected completion	2028

This project is building, renovating and equipping schools and kindergartens across Montenegro. It creates around 530 full-time jobs, primarily teaching positions. Students will benefit from modern learning environments, improving educational outcomes and strengthening youth employability.



Serbia

Energy Efficiency and Integrated Management at the Campus of Technical Faculties in Belgrade

WBIF contribution	€21.5 m
Total investment value	**€169.6 m**
Expected completion	2030

The University of Belgrade is creating an energy-efficient campus for its electrical engineering and technical faculties, addressing its shortage of space, safety issues and outdated facilities. The project builds a new university centre and renovates existing buildings, providing a modern, safe and sustainable learning environment for students and staff.



Serbia

University Children's Hospital Tiršova 2 in Belgrade

WBIF contribution	€36.2m
Total investment value	**€190.7 m**
Expected completion	2027

For over 85 years, the University Children's Hospital has provided high-quality care to more than 14,500 children each year. This new hospital building is expanding capacity and introducing modern diagnostic and treatment technologies so healthcare meets European standards.