

WBAA Project Application

The Western Balkans Alumni Association (WBAA) Projects scheme aims to encourage collaboration across the WBAA member countries and their members and advance the mission of WBAA.

Key dates

- Launch of application call: May 2nd, 2019
- Application deadline: May 27, 2019 (22:00 CEST)
- Plan to implement all activities of your project no earlier than mid of June 2019 and no later than October 2019.

Eligible applicants and criteria

- Applicants must be registered members of the Western Balkans Alumni Association (WBAA).
- Projects must be realized within the Western Balkans, namely Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo*, North Macedonia, Montenegro and Serbia

More information

- Please send an email to the Community Manager Michael Goulao: info@western-balkans-alumni.eu

** This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.*

Title of the project
CREATING SUSTAINABLE TRANSFER OF KNOWLEDGE FOR BUILDING NOVEL IDEAS FOR CRITICAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES OF THE WESTERN BALKAN COUNTRIES
1) Provide a brief description of your project
<i>This project summary might be used by WBAA when promoting the project on social media, websites, etc.</i>
<p>Max. 150 words</p> <p>The project involve networking of students and scientific researchers from Western Balkan countries for creating dataset base of the latest chemo-metric approaches for environmental pollution/protection and ecological effects as well. Even the environmental pollution is a global problem, the latest research indicate that the Western Balkan countries are significantly affect with the environmental pollution. Furthermore, the Western Balkan countries still deals with the problem of poor population awareness for environmental protection. Therefore, this project idea is to unite the knowledge from Western Balkan countries and share with youth from this region, increasing the environmental protection awareness within students. Therefore, the students will have the main role in lunching the environmental friendly aspects for creating novel chemo-metric models in environmental sciences. The beneficiary effect for the Western Balkan students will be creating long-term valuable and sustainable correlations.</p> <p>The main project activities will be coordinated by Kiril Jordanov, BEc, Team Member of Western Balkans Alumni Association and advisor of public procurement, , Štip, Republic of North Macedonia, including additional coordination members: Sanja Stefanova, MSc, Board Member of Western Balkans Alumni Association and International Relations Officer at Goce Delčev University, Štip, Republic of North</p>

Macedonia and **Biljana Balabanova**, assist. professor at Faculty of Agriculture, Goce Delčev University, Štip, Republic of North Macedonia.

2) Does your project have any other partners, apart from WBAA Member Organisation?

If yes, please list them and briefly describe how they contribute to the project

“Partners” refer to other institution that help you organise the project or that contribute to it in some other way. This could e.g. be Universities, NGOs, Local/National Authorities, Companies, etc.

Max. 150 words

“Goce Delcev” University will be involved with main capacity and technical role in this project (www.ugd.edu.mk). Five Universities from Albania, Kosovo, Serbia, Bosnia and Hercegovina and Montenegro shall contribute to this project. Two national universities (“St. Kiril and Metodius” University in Skopje and State University in Tetovo) will participate as well. Ministry of education and science, Ministry of environment and physical planning, Centre for development of East planning region and Academy of science and art of North Macedonia, will contribute to this project as well. Gathering this project “partners” will create sustainable and valuable transfer of knowledge for building novel ideas for critical environmental issues.

3) Does your project have a regional focus or is it planned on national or local level?

WBAA is a regional organisation, so please mention the involved countries if you plan to do a regional project

Max. 150 words

The proposed project will have regional focus, networking six universities from the Western Balkan countries (students and scientific experts-University professors). Furthermore, this project will have a national focus for the students from three state Universities from North Macedonia (students from “Goce Delcev” University-Shtip, “St. Kiril and Metodius” University in Skopje and State University in Tetovo). Even the environmental pollution is a global problem, the latest research indicate that the Western Balkan countries are significantly affected with the pollution, pointing strongly on heavy metal industry, uncontrolled xenobiotic introduction in the different parts of the environment, electronic waste disposal etc. Furthermore, the Western Balkan countries still deals with the problem of poor population awareness for environmental protection. Therefore, this project will involve regional and national students and scientific researches in order to provide novel chemo-metric methodology and beneficial environmental protection methods.

4) What is the expected number of beneficiaries – within and beyond the WBAA Member Organisation?

Make sure you specify how the project will have an impact on and/or benefit members of the Organisation, as well as on others (non-members)

Max. 150 words

The project intends to involve three national and five regional universities (WBAA members). Each regional university will participate with one scientific expert (university professor) and two students (WBAA member). Two national universities (“St. Kiril and Metodius” University in Skopje and State University in Tetovo) will participate with one scientific expert and three students. “Goce Delcev University will participate with 10 scientific experts and 15 students. Four representatives from Non-members institutions (Ministry of education and science, Ministry of environment and physical planning, Centre for development of East planning region and Academy of science and art of North Macedonia) will be invited as well. In total, **52 participants** from North Macedonia, Albania, Kosovo, Serbia, Bosnia and Hercegovina and Montenegro shall collaborate for the benefit of the whole region for several critical environmental issues.

5) What are the overall and specific objectives of your project?

Make sure to use [SMART goalsetting](#) when describing your project’s objectives