

Swiss Neighbourhood Partnerships in the Western Balkans

Switzerland has maintained for 30 years a long term commitment in the Western Balkans. The objective is to contribute to good governance, infrastructure and health as well as the prosperity and stability of the region. Swiss cooperation with the region is an act of solidarity with Europe and the international community.



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Cooperation programme 2021-2024
of EUR 60 million



SERBIA

Cooperation programme 2022-2025
of EUR 100 million



KOSOVO

Cooperation programme 2022-2025
of EUR 80 million



MONTENEGRO

Cooperation programme 1991-2006,
now beneficiary of
global programmes



ALBANIA

Cooperation program 2022-2025
of EUR 100 million



NORTH MACEDONIA

Cooperation programme 2021-2024
of EUR 60 million



DIASPORA

A well-integrated diaspora community from the Western Balkans of about 0.5 mio. people has settled in Switzerland making a valuable contribution to Swiss society



MIGRATION

Partnerships with Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo and Serbia.



MILITARY PEACE SUPPORT

Swiss contingents for KFOR (195 soldiers) in Kosovo and EUFOR (22 observers, staff officers and trainers) in Bosnia and Herzegovina and a military attaché in Serbia.



POLICE COOPERATION

Police attaché stationed in Belgrade and Pristina, mandated to fight serious international crime in the Western Balkans.



ECONOMY

Within the framework of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), Switzerland maintains a network of free trade agreements in the Western Balkans with Albania (2010), Bosnia and Herzegovina (2015), North Macedonia (2002), Montenegro (2012) and Serbia (2010). Negotiations for a free trade agreement with Kosovo have been launched in 2022.