



TRENTINO *com* BALCANI
ATB-Grupa
ACTIVITY REPORT

2018



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About us

Associazione Trentino con i Balcani Onlus (ATB) is an Italian organisation working on the promotion of local sustainable development and active citizenship in a European Citizenship perspective.

Over the last 20 years, ATB has been responding to the needs and the emerging challenges stemming from the relations between Trentino and the Balkan peninsula through actions of development cooperation. Institutional **relations, exchange of good practices** and **innovation** are the key points of ATB intervention, whose goal is that of **strengthening local resources and competences** from a **sustainable self-development perspective**.

ATB promotes initiatives of **territorial partnership** between **Trentino and the Balkans**, in compliance with the provincial directives (Guidelines), the Italian national law (L125/2014), and international institutions (Eu, UN). These relations benefit from a solid and broad network encompassing economic actors, associations and institutions of Trentino and the Balkans.

ATB has adopted the local partnership approach, in order to foster the pro-active presence of local institutions, public administrations and civil societies in the territories involved and to guarantee an ongoing developing process. Since 2014, following the approval of the Italian Law on International Cooperation (L125/2014) and in order to respond to a strong request of innovation coming from the Balkan territories, the intervention has been focused on the **activation of new partnerships** in the **profit sector**, involving also **leading research actors** from Trentino. ATB aims at supporting the sustainability of local development, through the enhancement of the economic potential of the areas involved, by reducing inequalities and focusing on the following values: human rights, human dignity, democracy, gender equality, conflict prevention, and support to the reconciliation process.

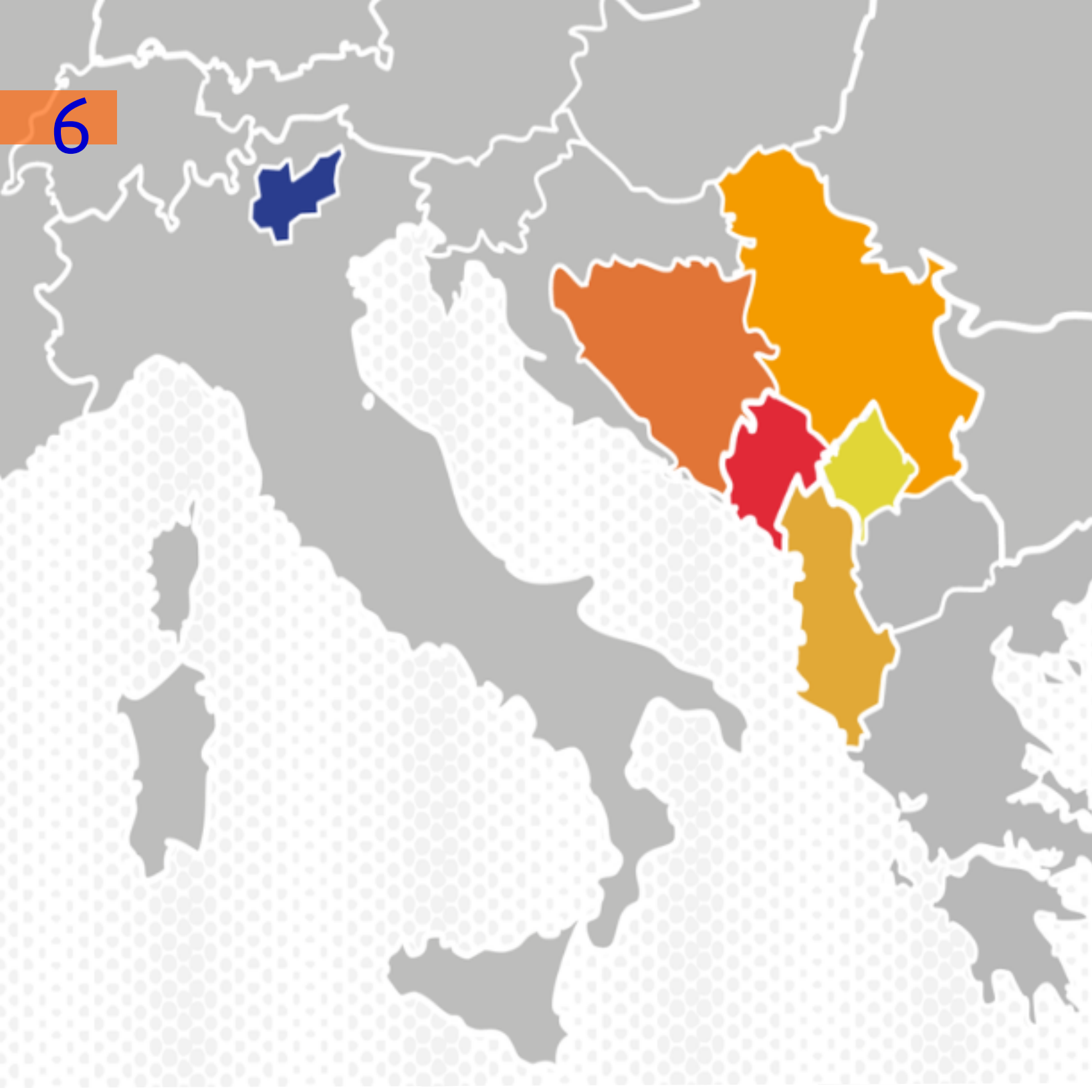
ATB has promoted initiatives funded by the Autonomous Province of Trento, within the Programme of cooperation and development Trentino – Balkans, projects funded by European institutions and other private donors.

During 2018, ATB has fostered initiatives at local, national and South East Europe level, with a focus on the following territories: Kosovo (Peja and Pristina), Serbia (Kragujevac, Knjaževac and Belgrado), Montenegro (Plav and Rožaje) and Albania (Tirana and Rrëshen).

The activities have been focused on four main sectors:

- Local development and promotion of a sustainable economic cooperation
- Health promotion in the fields of psychiatry in the community, healthy lifestyles and cancer prevention
- Global citizenship education
- Environmental promotion and protection

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Where we work

6 countries in which ATB is present:

Italy, Serbia, Kosovo, Montenegro, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina

5 offices (in Trento, Kragujevac, Pristina, Peja, Tirana)

Member of
Carta di Trento

19 years of activity

Leading partner of **2** Local Democracy Agencies

Member of
ALDA Europe

Accredited to
AICS

Creator and cofounder of **Platform 125**

1.500.000
people indirectly impacted

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European Citizenship

The activities of ATB in this sector have focused on cooperation among local authorities and civil society, meetings among institutions and organisations from Trentino, Europe and South East Europe in the perspective of a peaceful and positive European integration.



NUMBERS

300 participants to trips to/from the Balkans

40 organizations and institutions from Trentino actively involved

100 organisations and institutions from the Balkans actively involved

13 partnership agreements signed

6 European institutions involved

10 new projects written and submitted to Italian, international and European donors

43 exchange and meeting trips organised

ACTIVITIES

- study visits and **exchange of good practices** between civil society and Italian and Western Balkans institutions
- raising awareness activities in Trentino
- **strengthening** of partnerships between Trentino and the Balkans
- **improvement** of management and fundraising skills of local partners
- activation of **new partnerships** with Italian and international organisations
- support to specific initiatives aimed at **promoting** European citizenship
- project writing





Welfare and Rights

With the aim of supporting the welfare improvement of the people of Serbia and Kosovo, focusing specifically on the cities of Kragujevac and Peja, during 2018 ATB has worked on the following projects:

- promotion of a **community based approach to mental health** in Kragujevac (Serbia). Project: Trento-Kragujevac Partners for human rights in Mental Health
- **socio-economic integration of people with special needs** in Kosovo. Project: Support of the Center for Independent Life.
- **raising awareness activities** on the Right to Education.
- **support to anti cancer action in Kosovo.** Project: Promotion of healthy lifestyles in Kosovo.

NUMBERS

450 direct beneficiaries and their families

20 local institutions actively involved

100 students involved

1 internship with University

13 raising awareness campaigns organised

650 people involved in awareness campaigns

8 study visits in Trentino organised

ACTIVITIES

- promotion of a community based approach to mental health in Serbia
- empowerment of association LUNA2015
- opening of the Centre of prevention and information for the fight against Cancer in Kosovo
- oncological training for medical staff from Serbia and Kosovo
- raising awareness campaigns on the promotion of healthy lifestyles in Kosovo through the Kosovo League against Cancer
- support to Center for Independent Life in Kosovo
- raising awareness activities on human rights





Local development

With the purpose of promoting a fair and sustainable development of the territories involved (Trentino, Kosovo, Serbia, Montenegro and Albania) ATB has focused on three main pillars:

- promotion of a sustainable economic cooperation: **Platform 125**
- **youth empowerment:**
 - Vocational Education and Training,
 - BalcAnimazioni,
 - Stand Hub!,
 - academic cooperation
 - cooperation with Anibar Animation Festival
- **promotion of sustainable tourism** in Kosovo



NUMBERS

20 members of P125

50 international and European institutions involved

10 analyses and dossiers drafted

75 round tables and public events promoted

18 technical, institutional and training trips organised

2 internship programmes and university thesis @UNITN facilitated

500 active participants involved

9800 people impacted

ACTIVITIES

- Creation and management of the Platform 125 - private companies and non-profit organisations, research centers and local institutions from Trentino - to promote sustainable and environmental development projects in the Balkans
- drafting of dossiers on Balkan economies, meetings with local, national and international institutions
- strengthening of the business incubator Stand Hub
- cooperation activities between University of Trento and Western Balkan Universities
- organisation of activities for the youth activism and youth empowerment

Local development



IdroTK - 1st year -

IdroTK - *Cooperation between Trentino and Kosovo for a sustainable development* is a two-year project focused on the sustainable water resource management in Peja region, through the increased efficiency of existing hydro-electrical infrastructure and the pilot implementation of quantitative methods of calculation of ecological flow.

2018 has been the first year of the implementation of the project.





ACTIVITIES

- consultation with local stakeholders for a detailed sharing of project aims and progresses
- training and info session for local institution on renewable energy production and related technology
- implementation of a research on hydro-electric potential of the area
- implementation of a sustainability study on environmental impact of hydro-electric energy production in Rugova Valley
- feasibility study for the installation of a mini hydro-electrical plant
- raising awareness activities on the lower environmental impact of the renewable energy production

NUMBERS

13 members of the scientific committee

9 project partners

14 students and teachers from the Universities of Trento, Pristina and Peja involved

27 events of presentation and management of the project

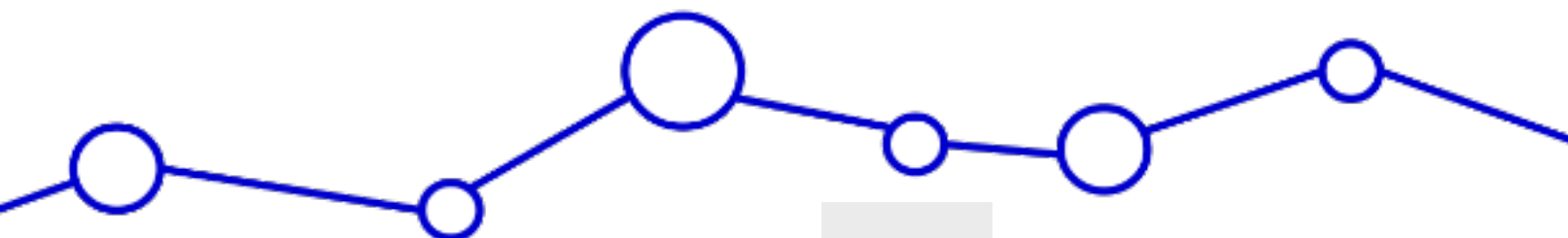
2 trainings on hydro-electric production and on MesoHABSIM and Idrahim methodologies

10 inspections to examine the hydro-electrical potential of Rugova Valley



Global Citizenship Education

The aim of the actions promoted during 2018 within this area has been to share and disseminate cultures and history of the Balkans.



**COOPERAZIONE
INTERNAZIONALE**



FUMETTO



NUMBERS

120 students involved

31 public events and trainings organised

3 study visits in **2** Countries organised

500 people involved

82 articles published on the website

trentinobalcani.eu (with **22.000** views
and **5400** users)

230 posts on Facebook

@TrentinoBalcani (with **1560** likes and

94000 interactions)

ACTIVITIES

- organisation of a project dedicated to high school students from Trentino aimed at raising awareness on the Balkan issues through in-class training and a school trip to the Balkan region
- public event to raise awareness on history and current affairs of the Balkans
- public awareness campaign to increase support and knowledge on international development cooperation and territorial partnership issues
- press office



PROGRAMME PARTNERS

The Programme of cooperation and development
Trentino-Balkans 2018-2020

involved a consortium of Trentino and Balkan partners

EFFETRESEIZERO S.r.l., Albatros S.r.l., IPSIA del Trentino,
Gruppo Bosnia Mori – Stara Rijeka, Quilombo Trentino,
Dipartimento di ingegneria civile, ambientale, meccanica –
(DICAM UniTN), Associazione Progetto Prijedor,
Trentino con il Kosovo, Centro per una vita indipendente,
Kosovo Center for Self-Help, Anibar,
LKLT - Liga Kosovare në Luftë kundër Tumorit,
Trentino sa Balkanom Srbija, Associazione LUNA2015

PARTNER
OF PLATFORM 125

Albatros S.r.l.,
Architettura e Design Arch Rolando Bonazza,
CM INGENGERRI Albatros S.r.l., Elettro Aldrighetti,
EFFETRESEIZEROS.r.l., Fondazione Bruno Kessler,
Fondazione punto.sud, IDROTECH S.r.l., ing. Vito Bertè,
ISER S.r.l., Mec.vis S.r.l., O.M.TON S.r.l.,
Impresa Pellegrini Carlo,
Rete di Riserve Alta Valle di Cembra-Avisio,
Rigotti F.Ili S.r.l., SG ELETTRICA S.r.l., S.I.CO.S. S.r.l.,
SINGEA S.r.l., SOGAP S.r.l., TAMANINI Hydro S.r.l.,
T.C.I. Trentino Construction International,
TERA Engineering S.r.l.,
TING – Trentino Ingegneria Cooperation S.c.,
Trentino Acque S.r.l.

OTHER COLLABORATIONS

TRENTINO: PAT, APSS, ADEP, SAT-CAI, Parco Naturale
Adamello-Brenta, UniTN, CCI, OBCT, Forum Trentino Pace e
Diritti Umani, UniTN, FBK, CAM, GTV, DSF, Cooperativa Arianna,
LILT Trento LILT Rovereto, Liceo Da Vinci, Liceo Rosmini, Istituto
Martino Martini, Istituto Don Milani, UPT Trento, ALDA- Europe,
CREA, Centro studi Alpino Università della Tuscia (CSALP);
Sezione di Trento dell'Associazione vigili del fuoco, LAV Trento

KOSOVO: ADL Kosovo, Municipality of Peja, Office of Good
Governance, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Environment, KFOR,
National Park “Bjeshkët e Nemuna”, University of Pristina,
University of Peja, Public Health Institution, Chamber of
Commerce, Regional Development Agencies, Association of
Kosovo Municipalities, DMO Peja, NPU, Youth Center Peja,
FDK-Fondacioni për të Drejtat e Kafshëve, Marimangat e Pejës,
ERA Group

SERBIA: Municipality of Kragujevac, Ministry of Health, Ministry
of Demography, Chamber of Commerce IT-SRB, Development
Agencies (Serbia and Vojvodina), University of Belgrade,
Municipality Knjaževac, Centre for social Work of Kragujevac,
Performa, Social Research Institute of Belgrade, Health district
Kragujevac, Caritas Srbija

ALBANIA: Shkolla “Shen Jozefi Punetor”, Polytechnic of Tirana,
Ministry of Health and Welfare, Ministry of Economy and
Finance, Ministry for the protection of Business, INSTAT,
AMSHC-Agency for Civil Society Development, Agencies for
regional development, National Agency for Economic
development, Association of Albanian Municipalities

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA: LDA Mostar, LDA Zavidovici,
LDA Prijedor, Interreligious Council Sarajevo,
Obrazovanje gradi Bih, Mahir and Aleksa Foundation

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