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## Subject: Newly established monitoring system for IPA II CBC programmes

A monitoring system for Cross-Border Cooperation programmes at intra-Western Balkan borders has been prepared by the regional technical assistance project CBIB+ under the supervision of NEAR Unit A4.

This important output relies on the need to improve performance measurement for these programmes, as highlighted by a recent evaluation of IPA CBC programmes in the Western Balkans.

The concept for this CBC monitoring system was technically introduced by the CBIB+ team for the first time in the context of a meeting with DG NEAR in February 2017 and the full system itself was discussed with representatives of all the CBC Joint Technical Secretariats in Durrës, Albania, in May 2017.

You will find attached the lists of indicators for each CBC programme that are the basis for the monitoring system, in addition to an explanatory note.

I would appreciate it if you could transmit this information to the relevant stakeholders.

*[e-signed]* Genoveva Ruiz Calavera

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