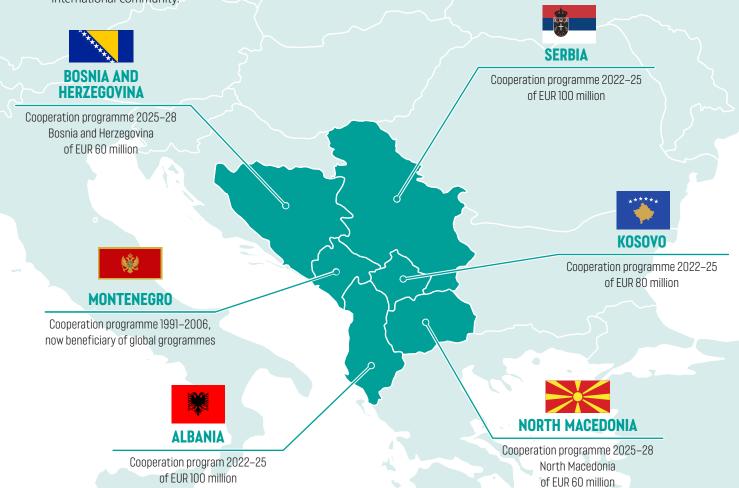


Swiss Confederation

# 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.





#### 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.



### **POLICE COOPERATION**

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



#### **MIGRATION**

Partnerships with Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Serbia and North Macedonia.



## **MILITARY PEACE SUPPORT**

Swiss contingents for KFOR (maximum 215 soldiers) in Kosovo and EUFOR (maximum 22 observers and staff officers) in Bosnia and Herzegovina and a military attaché in Serbia.



#### **ECONOMY**

Within the framework of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA), Switzerland maintains a network of free trade agreements in the Western Balkans with North Macedonia (2002), Albania (2010), Serbia (2010), Montenegro (2012), Bosnia and Herzegovina (2015) and Kosovo (2025).



#### **SECONDMENT**

Diplomatic secondment in senior position at the Office of the High Representative in Bosnia and Herzegovina.