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Sofia Declaration, 17 May 2018

*Increasing connectivity:*

(...)

- Support increased take-up of opportunities under the current provisions of the Connecting Europe Facility in the Western Balkans

- Expand the EU Energy Union to the Western Balkans, focusing on energy security and diversification of sources and suppliers, including a strategy at regional level to benefit from renewables, notably hydropower.

- Work to complete the Regional Electricity Market in the Western Balkans, and ensure that it is integrated into the EU Internal Electricity Market, including though the Central and South-Eastern European Connectivity (CESEC) initiative
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- Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR)

- Connectivity Agenda

- Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA)

- Western Balkans Investment Framework (WBIF)
Energy Efficiency/RES: Investments & Achievements

**EU contribution in brief**

EU support leveraging loans

- 102 m€
- 520 m€
- 50 m€
- 240 m€

**Energy savings**

1.6 TWh per year

4 months of Albania electricity consumption

**Emissions savings**

1 Mn T CO₂ per year

more than one year of Montenegro car fleet emissions

**36 new green banks in WB6**

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