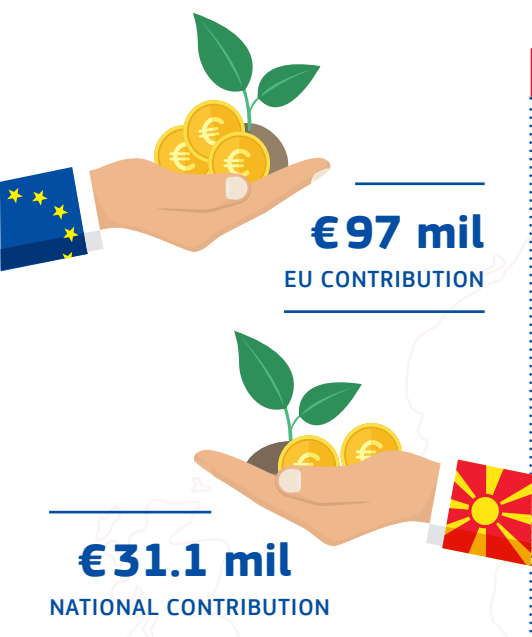


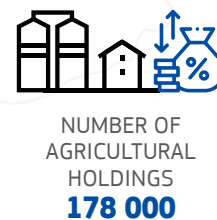
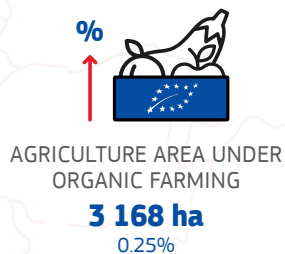
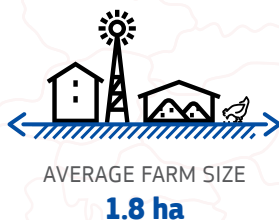
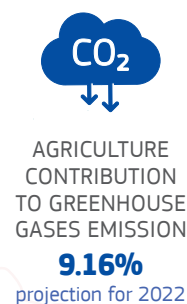
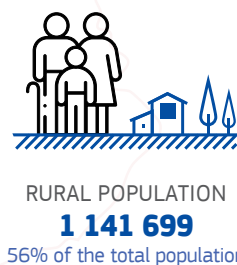


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01 | GENERAL INFORMATION



02 | EXAMPLES OF THE MAIN CHALLENGES IN NORTH MACEDONIA

- Low efficiency and productivity of agriculture and food sector affected by small and scattered land plots, low use of agricultural machinery and high labour intensity.



- Underdeveloped system for adult vocational training in agriculture, food industry and forestry and insufficient outreach of the extension services and advisory services.

- Ageing of rural population and emigration of youth from rural areas (out-migration of young, women and economically active population).



- Due to weak awareness and knowledge, insufficient use and protection of natural resources leading to degradation of agricultural land and soil.



- Low engagement into non-agriculture economic activities and other alternative businesses due to over-dependency on agricultural activities in rural areas.

- Increasing disparities between rural and urban areas in education and access to basic services.

03 | SOME OF THE EXPECTED ACHIEVEMENTS & TARGETS

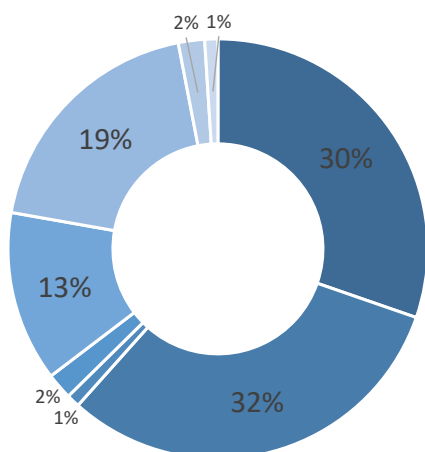
NUMBER OF:

- Farms and agri-food processing enterprises supported by IPARD in modernization: **2 000**
- Jobs created: **965**
- Young farmers receiving IPARD support for investment: **840**
- IPARD recipients with support in investments related to care for the environment or climate change: **1 120**
- IPARD recipients with support in investments in renewable energy production: **232**
- Recipients of IPARD investment support in rural diversification and business development: **200**
- Population covered by LEADER Local Action Groups: **500 000**



04 | PLANNED PUBLIC FUNDING PER MEASURE

The following charts show the indicative planned total public expenditure per measure (comprising the EU support and the national contribution). The measures illustrated in the charts are the complete list of measures selected within the IPARD programme based on the analysis of strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (SWOT), which led to identifying the needs to be addressed by the IPARD III programme.



PLANNED PUBLIC FUNDING PER MEASURE % IN THE TOTAL BUDGET

- M1 - Investments in physical assets of agricultural holdings (30%)
- M3 - Investments in physical assets concerning processing and marketing of agricultural and fishery products (32%)
- M4 - Agri-environment-climate and organic farming measure (1%)
- M5 - Implementation of local development strategies - LEADER approach (2%)
- M6 - Investments in rural public infrastructure (13%)
- M7 - Farm diversification and business development (19%)
- M9 - Technical assistance (2%)
- M10 - Advisory services (1%)

PLANNED PUBLIC FUNDING PER MEASURE - IN MILLION €



* measures in grey are not included in IPARD III programme of North Macedonia

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