



Republic of Bulgaria
Ministry of regional development
Directorate General „Territorial Cooperation Management”

**TO THE ATTENTION OF THE RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS AND POTENTIAL BENEFICIARIES OF THE
BULGARIA-TURKEY IPA CBC PROGRAMME 2014-2020**

DEAR LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

Directorate General „Territorial Cooperation Management“ (DG TCM) within the Ministry of regional development of the Republic of Bulgaria will proceed to be a Managing Authority of the Bulgaria-Turkey IPA CBC Programme and for the new programming period 2014-2020.

The preparation of the future programme has already entered in its most important phase – the choice of the possible thematic priorities for the next programming period. For the sake of preparation of the strategic and programming documents, DG TCM in its capacity of Managing Authority signed a service contract with external independent Consultant – Consortium “Project Planning and Management”. In order to prepare the strategy and the future priority areas, the Consultant will organize regional meetings and consultations with potential beneficiaries under the Programme.

The aim of these regional forums is the issues concerning the preparation of the future programme to be widely discussed, with main topics: conclusions and recommendations made after finalizing the territorial and situation analyses, the impact areas to be outlined in accordance with the identified needs of the region and issues aimed at defining the thematic priorities of the Programme to be discussed.

In relation to the aforementioned, I would like to invite you to take active participation at the upcoming regional consultations (scheduled in the period 17th-21st March 2014), which participation will boost/facilitate the process for identifying the specific needs and expectations about the future Bulgaria-Turkey IPA CBC Programme 2014-2020.

Your involvement during the regional meetings at stage setting the priority directions of the future Programme will ensure the proper identification and the focusing on the specific needs of the regions in the context of the new programming period 2014-2020.

Thank you in advance for your feedback!

Yours sincerely,


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