

SERBIA

ON ITS EUROPEAN PATH



TRADE & INVESTMENT

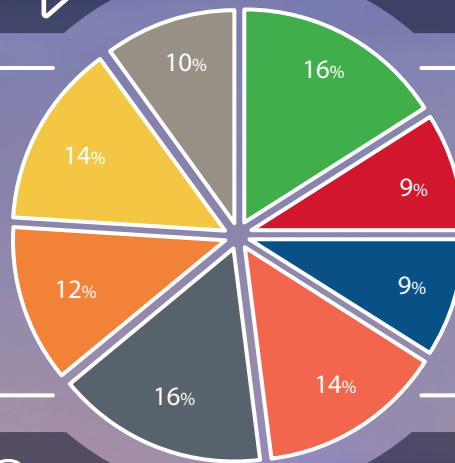
- The EU is Serbia's biggest trading partner
- The EU's contribution to total Foreign Direct Investment in Serbia was 66% in 2016
- Volume of trade with the EU was €2.3 billion in 2017'



MOBILITY & EMPOWERMENT

- Visa-free travel to the EU since December 2009
- In 2015-2016 over 9000 participants in student, academic and youth exchanges under ERASMUS+
- € 33 million for inclusive quality education in the period 2014-2017

SUPPORT FOR KEY SECTORS 2014-2020 (€1.5 BILLION)



- Justice and Home Affairs
- Public Administration Reform
- Transport
- Environment and Climate Change
- Social Development
- Agriculture and Rural Development
- Private Sector Development
- Other

EU FUNDING

The EU is the largest provider of financial assistance to Serbia

- €2.5 billion in EU pre-accession funds 2007-2020
- €5 billion provided in European Investment Bank loans since 1999
- €116.4 million provided to date in Western Balkans Investment Framework grants, leveraging investments estimated at € 2.25 billion
- €72 million in disaster relief after the floods in 2014

SUPPORTING TRANSFORMATION

- Strengthening Democracy: Rule of Law, Justice and Fundamental Rights
- Reforming public administration
- Strengthening competitiveness and supporting business development
- Working towards a cleaner environment and safer food

KEY MILESTONES

DECEMBER 2009

Application for EU membership

MARCH 2012

EU Candidate country status granted

SEPTEMBER 2013

Entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement

JANUARY 2014

Accession negotiations opened

DECEMBER 2017

12 chapters out of 35 opened of which 2 provisionally closed

