



ANNUAL REPORT of the year 2025



May 2026

History

URBI was established in 1997 (registered at the Ministry of interior affairs in 29 July 1997 under n. VVS/1-900/90-12845) and for several years organized seminars about local and regional development in Slovakia for elected and executive representatives of local and regional government in Slovakia.

In July 2015 the association was revived, the URBI was transformed into CESCO-Carpathia (Central European Service for Cross-border Initiatives), the statute was changed and new authorities were elected.

On August 7, 2015, the changed Statute was sent to the Ministry of the Interior, and on August 21, 2015, the Ministry of the SR sent a new registered Statute of the association under VVS / 1-900 / 90-12845-1.

On March 14, 2023, there were registered latest changes in the Statute, adopted at the assembly in 2022 on the Ministry of Interior Affairs SR under num. VVS/1-900/90-12845-2.

CESCO-Carpathia is a member of the cooperating partnership network CESCO. The lead partner is CESCO Budapest and the other partner is CESCO-Balkans Novi Sad.

Activities 2024

Project “#ACCESS – Promotion of legal accessibility across Slovak-Hungarian border “

targeting cross-border legal and administrative obstacles and financed from INTERREG SKHU program 2021 -2027 started on 1 May 2023.

Activities

Project activities	
A. Monitoring – surveys, interviews, reference groups, legal analysis	
B. Management - interviews, expert groups, best practises, study tours, solution proposals	
C. Promotion – events, communication, outputs, Help-desk	

Surveys

Surveys areas (1648 respondents)

Education / Work / Life in borderland / Shopping / Projects

interreg Hungary - Slovakia Co-funded by the European Union #ACCESS

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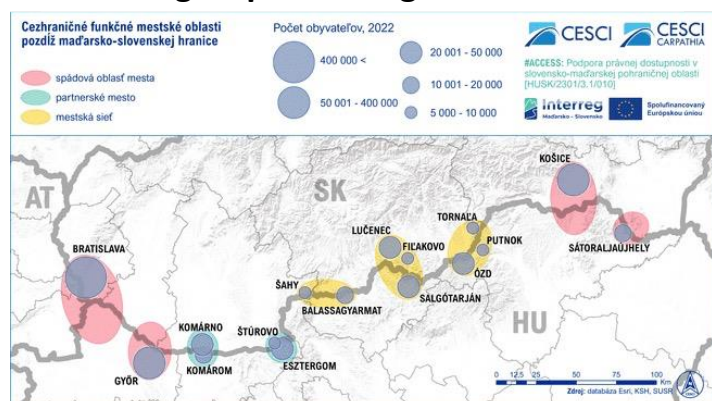
Interviews

Interviews

- 45 respondents
- In person or online
- A lot of information, proposals, ideas
- Cooperation
- Data structures
- Accessibility across border
- Rapid medical assistance

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Reference groups meetings



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- Reference group meetings, 2nd round
 - Tornaľa, 6 February 2025
 - Štúrovo, 27 February 2025
 - Dunajská Streda 4 March 2025
 - Šahy 29 April 2025
 - Komárno 15 May 2025

Help desk

Help desk

- Project portal input channel
- Border people inputs in:
 - Transport
 - Social care
 - Emergency health care
 - Sport
 - Archaeology



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Obstacles

1. Healthcare including Emergency Management System
 - a. EMS CBC Slovakia-Hungary-Austria meeting Bratislava, 22 January 2025



2. Culture

- a. 2 interviews in lending art works abroad

3. Transport

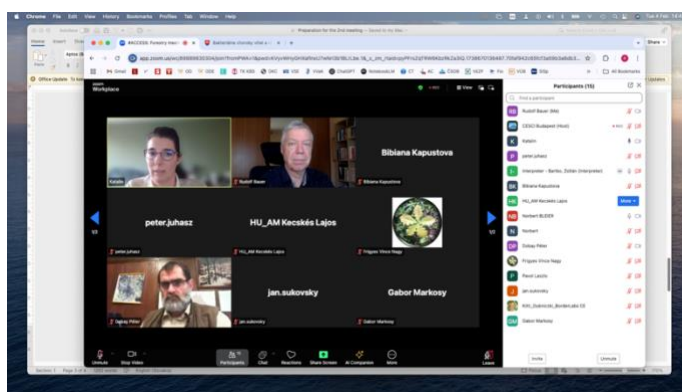
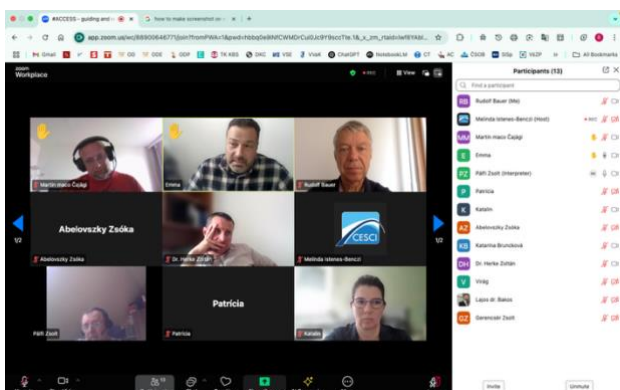
- a. 1 In-depth legal analysis (Law Faculty UPJŠ Košice)
- b. 1 Expert interview
- c. 1 Expert online meeting 04 September 2025

4. Tourism

- a. 1 expert meeting in water guide training, permits for water tours, safety and accountability

5. Environment

- a. 2nd expert online meeting 4 February 2025



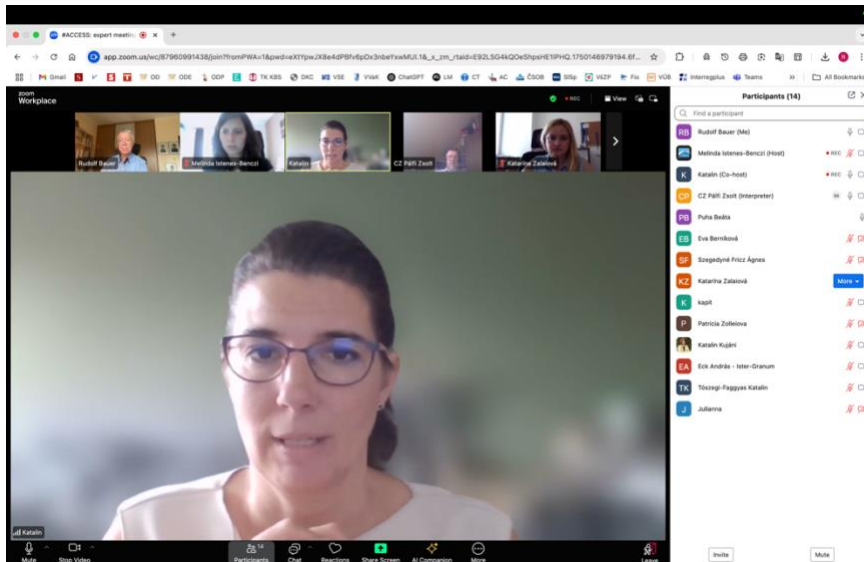
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b. 3rd expert online meeting 30 June 2025

6. Economy – Cross border Local product Sale

a. 1st meeting 17 June 2025



b. 2nd meeting 4 October 2025



7. Education and Labor market

a. Expert meeting 3 July 2025, Archeology

Cross border bilateral joint committee revival

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- 26-27 February 2026 meeting, Nové Zámky, not taking place

Other:

- Participation in the work of the “Plan for Košice” council
- Consultation to reconstruct “Calvary chappels Košice”
- Consultations to prepare project proposals for the Children Railway Košice
- General Assembly CESCI Budapest, 19 May 2025
- Conference Cities in Future, 16 June 2025, Kulturpark Košice
- Monitoring Committee INTERREG Slovakia-Hungary meeting, 2 July 2025, Modra
- Club of Mayors, ELRO Kežmarok 11 July 2025

Financial statements 2025

Financial accounts	157 602,20 €
Property together	160 614,45 €
Expenditures	72 029,16 €
Grants	73 164,30 €
Operating result	1 135,14 €

Balance on bank accounts

FIO bank

Bank account balance on 31 st December 2024	68,99 €
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SLSP

Communal account

Bank Account balance on 31 st December 2024	78 468,33 €
Bank Account balance on 31 st December 2025	87 926,24 €

Grant account

Bank Account balance on 31 st December 2024	73 031,26 €
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Bank Account balance on 31st December 2025 68 873,76 €

Composition of the association

Members in the alphabet order

1. Rudolf Bauer
2. CESCI Budapest – Gyula Ocskay
3. Pavol Hric
4. Peter Kubičko
5. Alena Vachnová
6. Vladimír Grešš

Council:

1. Pavol Hric
2. Alena Vachnová
3. Rudolf Bauer

Director: Rudolf Bauer

Auditor: Vladimír Grešš