

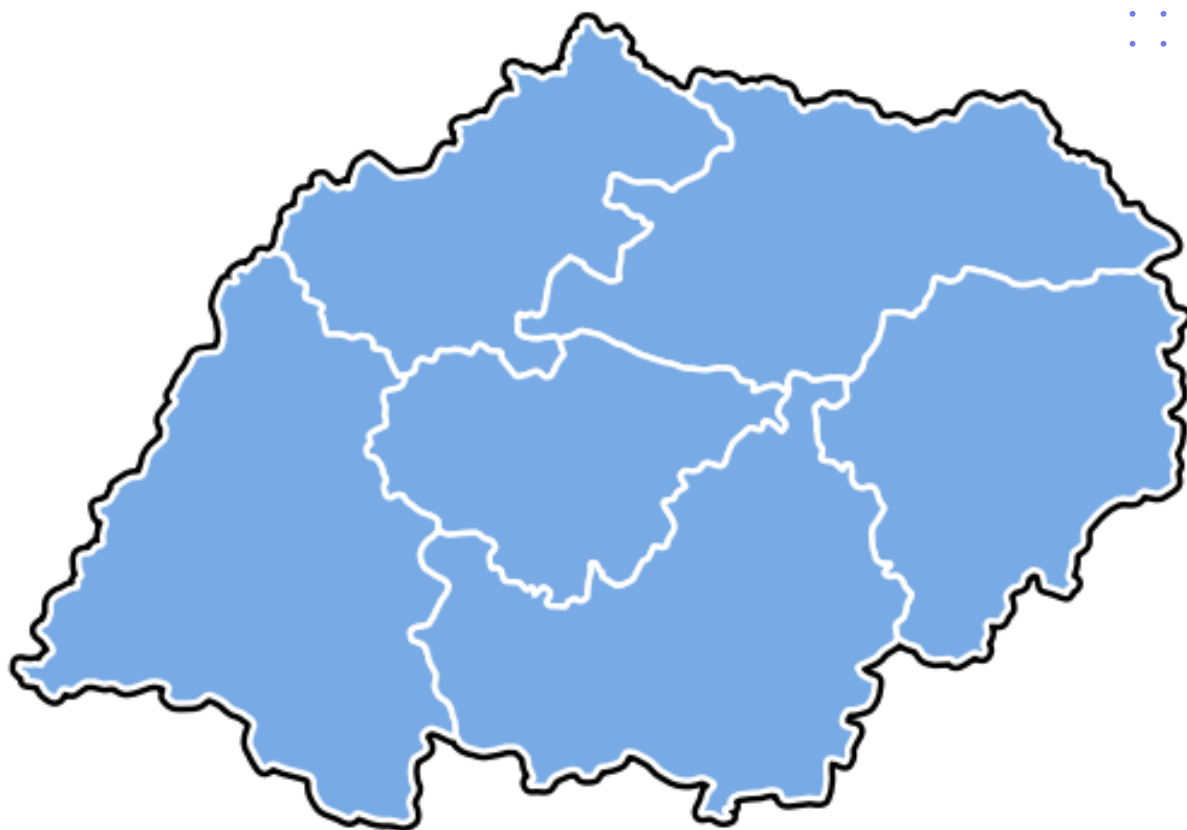


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North-West Region

Dictionary

P1: A competitive region driven by innovation, digitalization, and dynamic businesses

P2: A region with SMART urban and rural communities

P3: A region with environmentally friendly cities and villages

P4: A region with sustainable multimodal urban mobility

P5: An accessible region

P6: An educated region

P7: An attractive region

P8: Technical Assistance

Prioritatea 1

O regiune competitivă prin inovare, digitalizare și întreprinderi dinamice

01

Prioritatea 2

O regiune cu localități SMART

02

Prioritatea 3

O regiune cu localități prietenoase cu mediul

03

Prioritatea 4

O regiune cu mobilitate urbană multimodală sustenabilă

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Prioritatea 5

O regiune accesibilă

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Prioritatea 6

O regiune educată

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Prioritatea 7

O regiune atractivă

07

Prioritatea 8

Asistență Tehnică

08

Calls for Projects

The budget of the published project calls

→ €1.348.263.746,61

93.8%

The budget of the 2021-2027 North-West Regional Programme

→ €1.437.252.471,00

48 Calls published

48 Calls launched

The budget of the launched project calls

→ €1.343.915.769,44

Submitted Projects

1879



Total Value of
Submitted
Projects

Eligible Value
of Submitted
Projects

Value of the
Regional
Programme
North-West
2021-2027

€1.437.252.471,00 € 4.599.349.911,94 € 6.006.260.779,35

P1: 1396

P7: 170

P3: 127

P4: 88

P6: 67

P5: 27

Submitted projects for each Priority of
the North-West Regional Programme

Evaluation of Projects

1173

Total number of projects in evaluation



664

Projects that have passed the evaluation stage

410

Projects in other stages

99

Projects in the evaluation stage

P1: 876

P7: 100

P3: 69

P6: 55

P4: 50

P5: 20

Projects in the evaluation procedure for each Priority of the North-West Regional Programme

Projects in Contestation

276

Total number of contested projects



Pending contestation

26

250

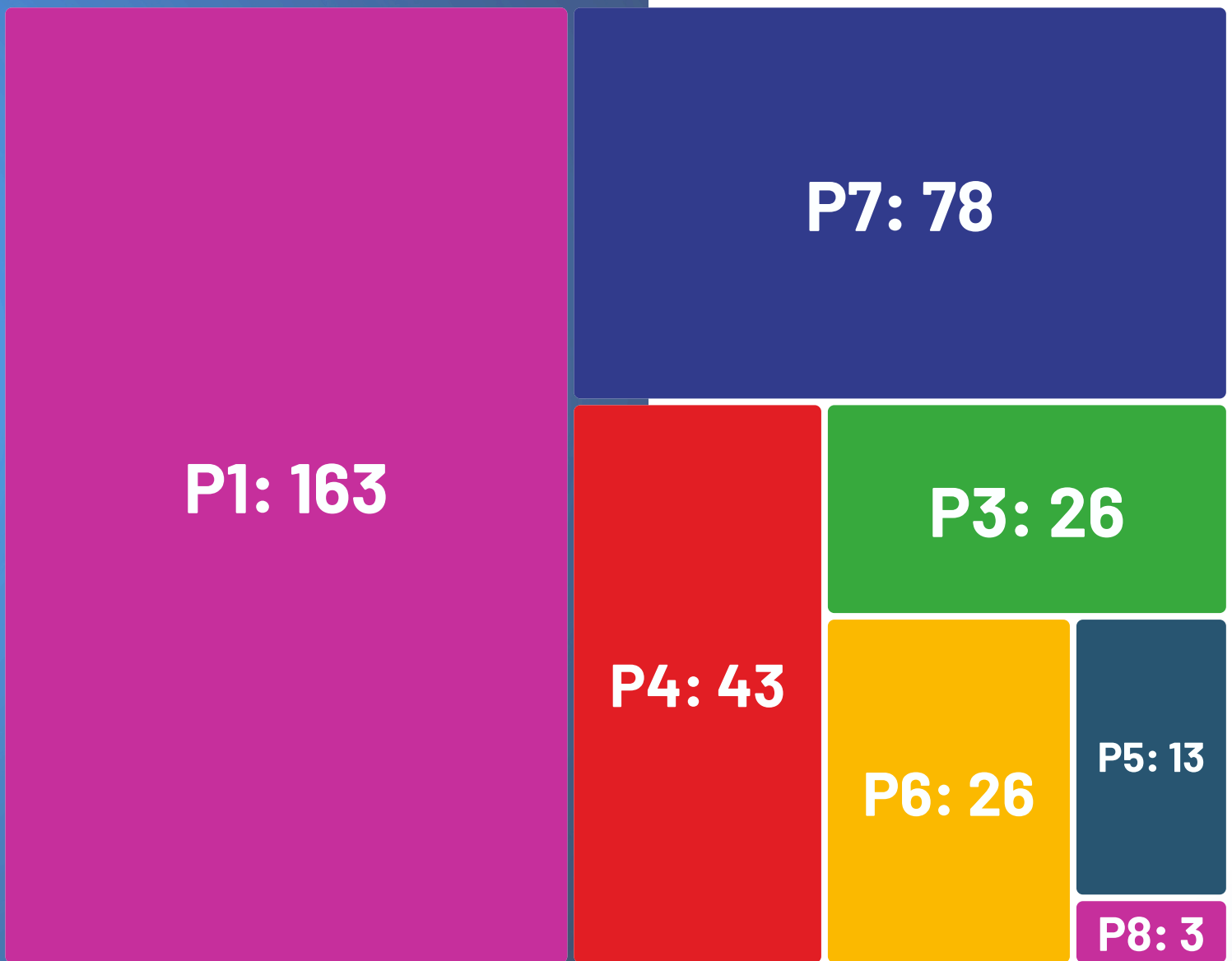
Resolved



Projects in contracting procedure

356

Total number of projects in contracting procedure



Signed contracts

238



Total eligible budget of signed contracts

€ 1.459.837.953,62

Total budget of signed contracts

€ 2.063.350.552,30

P1: 81

P7: 58

P4: 35

P3: 24

P6: 24

P5: 13

P8: 3

The non-reimbursable budget
of the signed contracts

→ € 1.332.349.518,75

92.7%

The budget of the 2021-2027
North-West Regional
Programme

→ €1.437.252.471,00



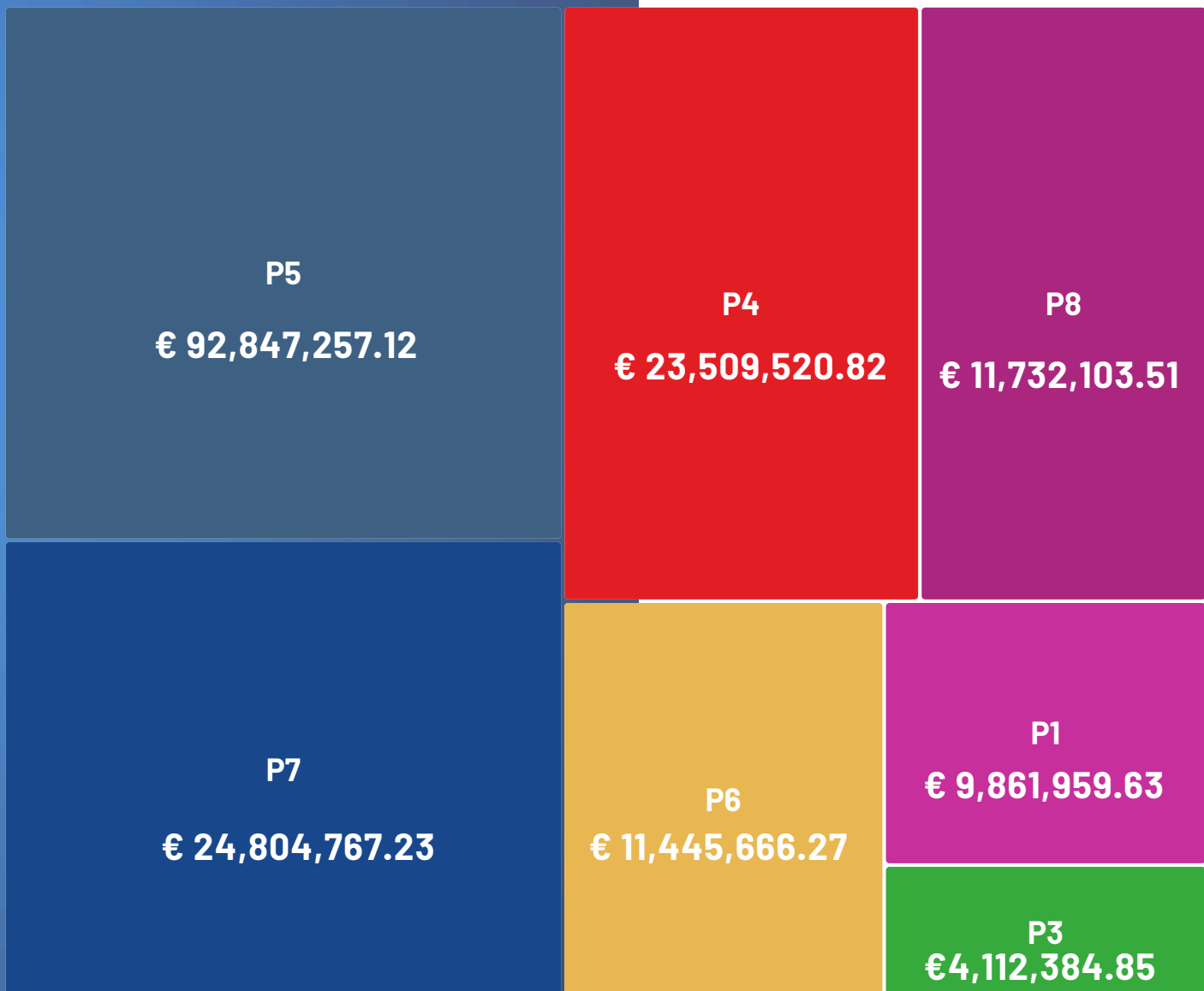
Payments made

199



Total budget of payments made to the beneficiaries

€178.313.659,43



Payment Requests

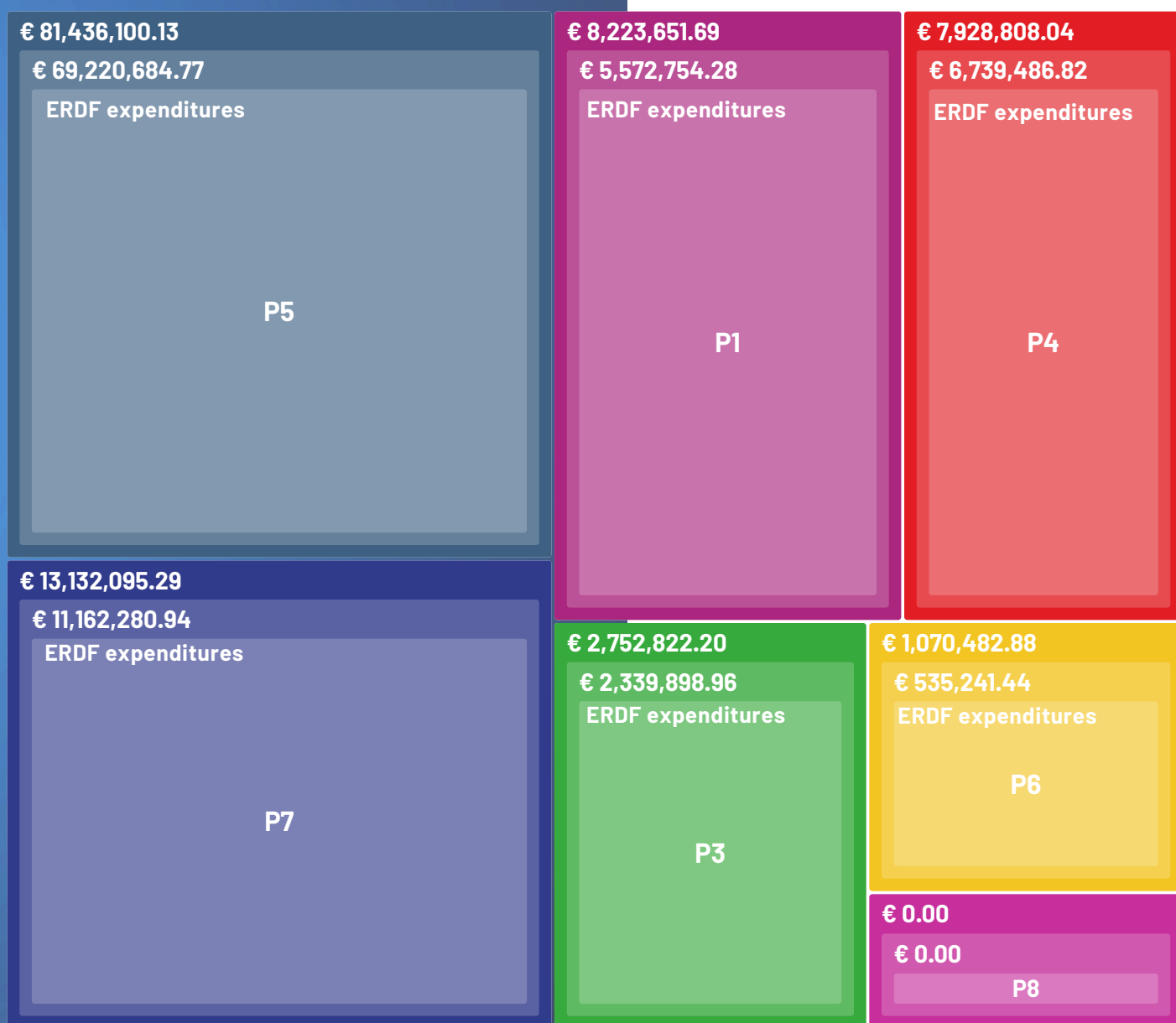
made to the European Commission

3



Total budget of expenditures
declared to the EC (CP1, CP2, CP3)

€114.543.960,23



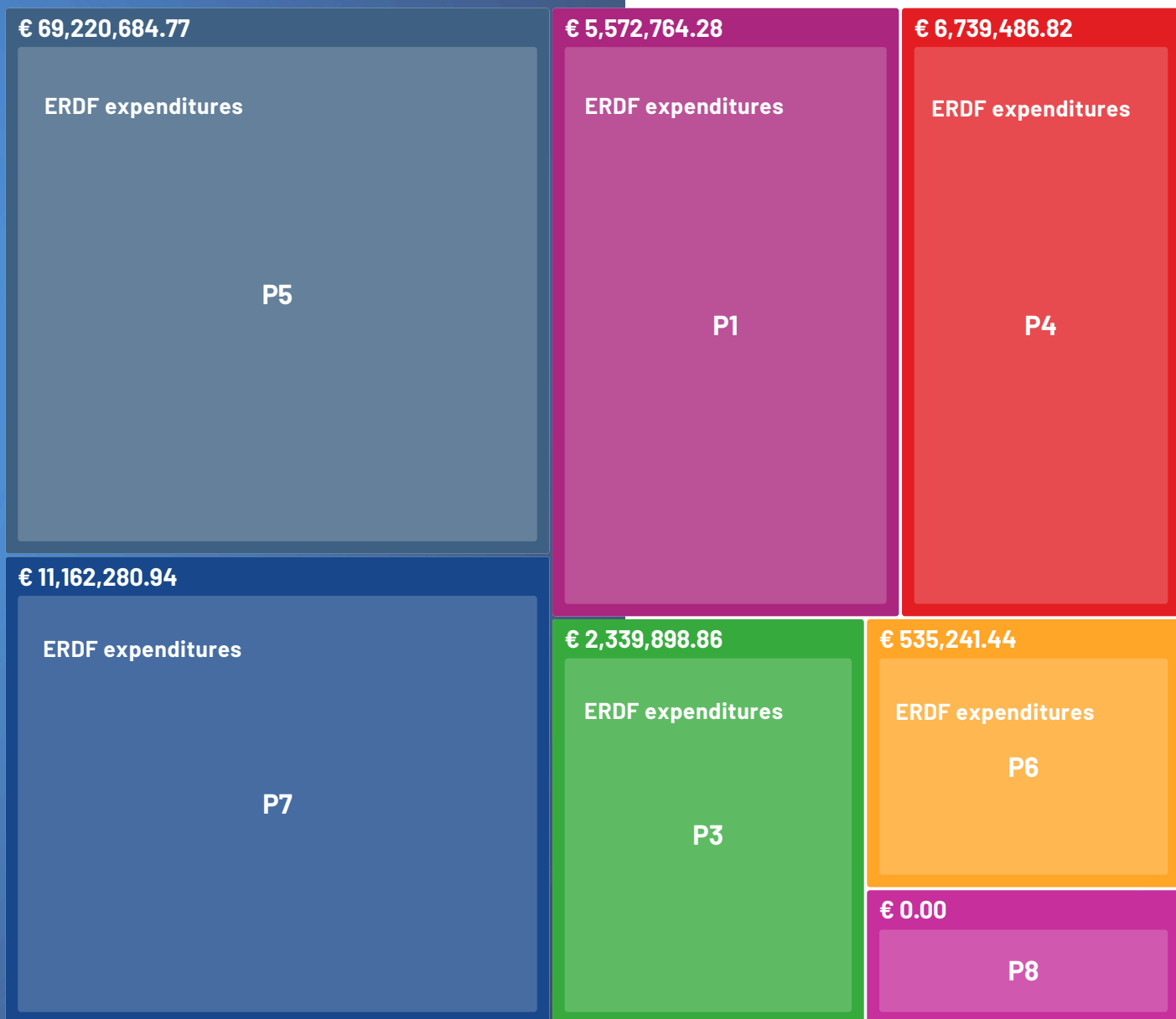
Payments made by the European Commission

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Total budget of payments received from the EC (CP1, CP2, CP3)

€ 95.570.357,11



Overview of Priority 1

1398

Submitted Projects



Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

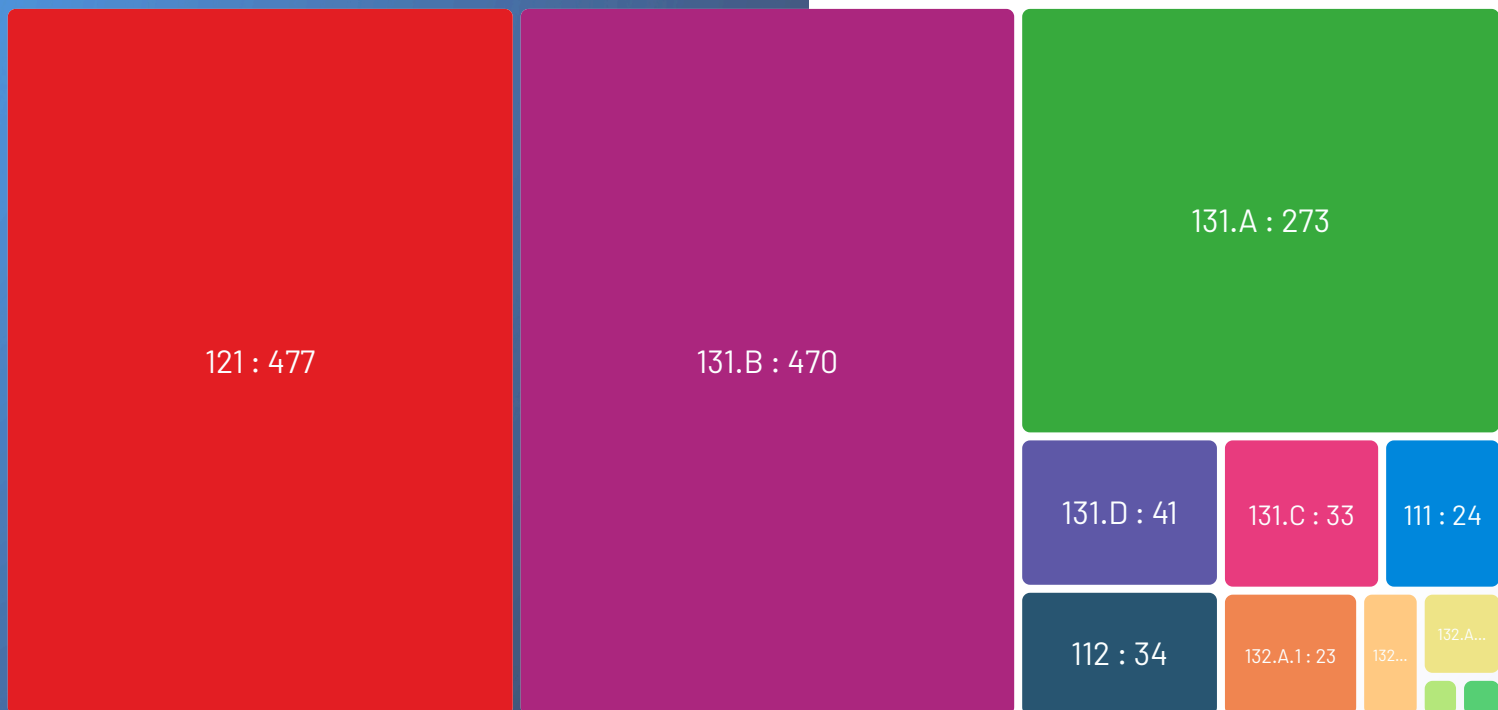
€ 1.187.677.662,52

Priority 1 - A more competitive and smarter Europe

This Priority features Calls for Projects for SMEs, clusters, Smart Specialisation Parks and the private sector, in collaboration with public and academic counterparts. Tender 121 - Digitalization of SMEs in the North-West Development Region - saw a high uptake with **477** submissions, highlighting the program's private sector appeal.

81

signed contracts



Under this Priority, **81** contracts have been secured, with **13** pertaining to the Smart Specialisation Parks and the remaining **68** supporting the private sector.

Signed contracts

Cluj: 29

Bihor: 13

Bistrița-Năsău...

Maramureș: 15

Satu-Mare: 7

Sălaj: 7

The total eligible
budget of the signed
contracts

€ 185.897.632,80

The total budget of the
signed contracts

€ 226.117.508,43

A **€7.5** million financing contract has been signed for the development of a Smart Specialisation Park in **Hereclean (Sălaj County)**, part of a wider regional initiative to establish a network of innovation hubs aligned with smart specialisation priorities.

The park will serve as a platform where companies can **develop and scale innovative solutions** in key domains, including **health, cosmetics and nutritional supplements, agri-food, advanced manufacturing technologies, new materials, and ICT**.

As the first park in this county, it is **designed to attract talent**, foster entrepreneurship, and strengthen collaboration between **research, business, and local communities**. The initiative supports the transition to a knowledge-based economy, connecting regional potential with global market demands, while contributing to sustainable growth and increased territorial cohesion in line with **EU policy objectives**.



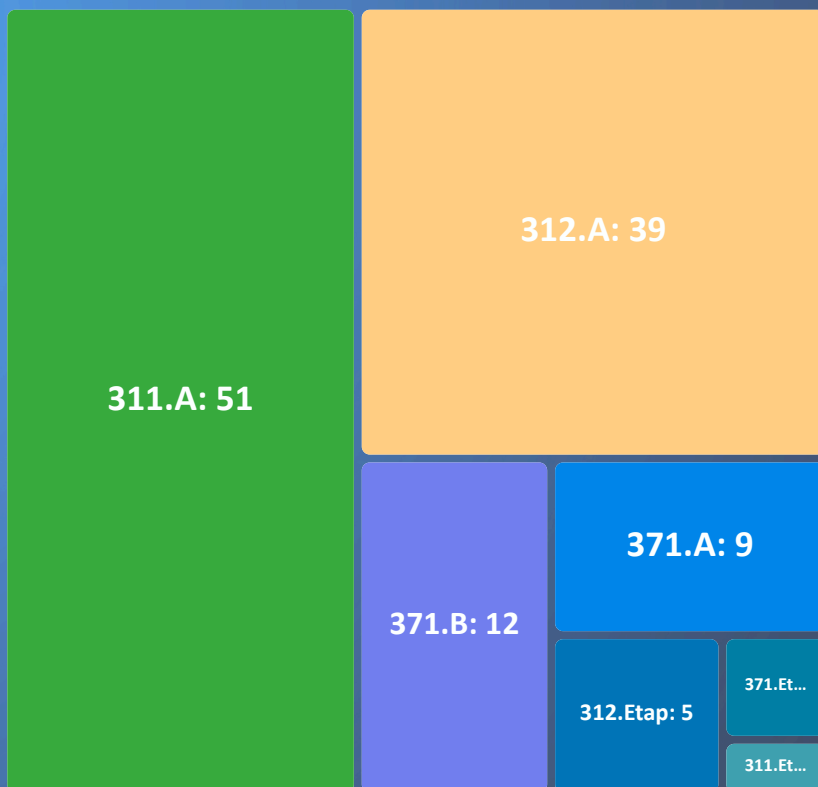
Overview of Priority 3

119

Submitted Projects

Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

Priority 3 - A greener Europe involves tenders targeting energy efficiency in housing, public buildings (including heritage sites), and renewable energy in rural areas. It also supports green cities and improved urban green infrastructure. The most active calls were **311.A** - Increasing energy efficiency in the region as part of investments in the housing sector (**51 projects**) and **312.A** - Supporting energy efficiency in public buildings, including heritage buildings (**39 projects**).



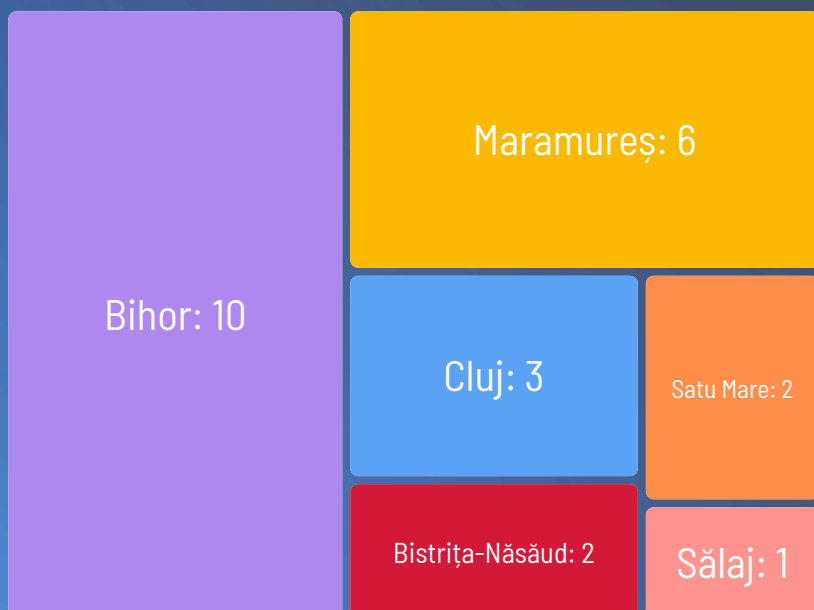
€ 425.171.492,29

24

signed contracts

This priority has **24** signed contracts, **10** contracts for urban infrastructure and **14** contracts for energy efficiency in public buildings.

Signed contracts



The total eligible budget of the signed contracts

€84.708.621,46

The total budget of the signed contracts

€117.336.024,56



The residents from the city of **Șimleu Silvaniei (Sălaj county)** will have more parks and green spaces thanks a project with a total budget of **€1,3 million**. The project aims at taking an important step to increase the living standards of its inhabitants by developing almost **9,000 square meters** of land. The inhabitants will have two new modern parks, which include a modern promenade area which will help reduce pollution thanks to the vegetation to be planted.

The project will also implement modern walkways, play areas and street furniture, all designed to meet the needs of the community. A major benefit of the project is the planting of more than **40 trees of local species**, which will help reduce pollution and protect biodiversity. The abundant vegetation will help **improve air quality** and regulate summer temperatures. There will also be clear health benefits for residents. The green space is also designed to collect rainwater to **combat flooding and protect the soil** in the long term.

Overview of Priority 4

88

Submitted Projects

Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

Priority 4 - A more Greener Europe encompasses tenders aimed at promoting the use of public transport and other environmentally friendly urban mobility solutions. Despite having only two active calls, this priority has garnered significant community interest, with a total of **79** projects submitted. Of these, **46** were submitted for Call **481.B** - Increased use of public transport and other forms of environmentally friendly urban mobility (Urban Mobility), while the remaining **32** projects were for Call **481.A** - Increased use of public transport and other forms of environmentally friendly urban mobility (Urban Mobility) in County Municipalities.

481.B: 46

481.A: 32

481.Etap: 10



€1.166.881.803,84

35

signed contracts

Priority 4 takes a significant step forward with the signing of **35** crucial contracts. These contracts pave the way for improved urban mobility infrastructure in the benefiting cities.

Signed contracts

Cluj: 12

Bistrița-Năsăud: 4

Maramureș: 4

Bihor: 7

Sălaj: 3

Satu M...

The total eligible
budget of the signed
contracts

€ 354.807.054,51

The total budget of the
signed contracts

€ 461.658.269,02



Baia Mare (Maramureș County) is taking a decisive step toward sustainable and inclusive mobility with a **€32.2 million** investment, co-financed by the **North-West Regional Programme 2021-2027**. The project will modernise key boulevards and create dedicated infrastructure for public transport, pedestrians, and cyclists.

The plan includes the development of priority bus lanes, new cycling infrastructure, and safe pedestrian routes, transforming over **4.3 km of urban** road into a model of multimodal transport. The project will introduce video-monitored bus stops, reconfigured intersections, and upgraded green areas with over **100 new trees**, creating more pleasant, shaded, and climate-adaptive public spaces.

To further improve mobility, a **modern traffic management system** will be implemented, while tactile paving and inclusive street furniture will ensure accessibility for all users. The project also includes the rehabilitation of the Săsar River bridge and upgrades to **urban utility networks**, supporting long-term urban resilience.

Expected to be completed by **August 2028**, the investment will benefit both Baia Mare's residents and metropolitan commuters, reducing CO₂ emissions and increasing the use of clean, **efficient public transport**, in line with EU climate and territorial cohesion goals.

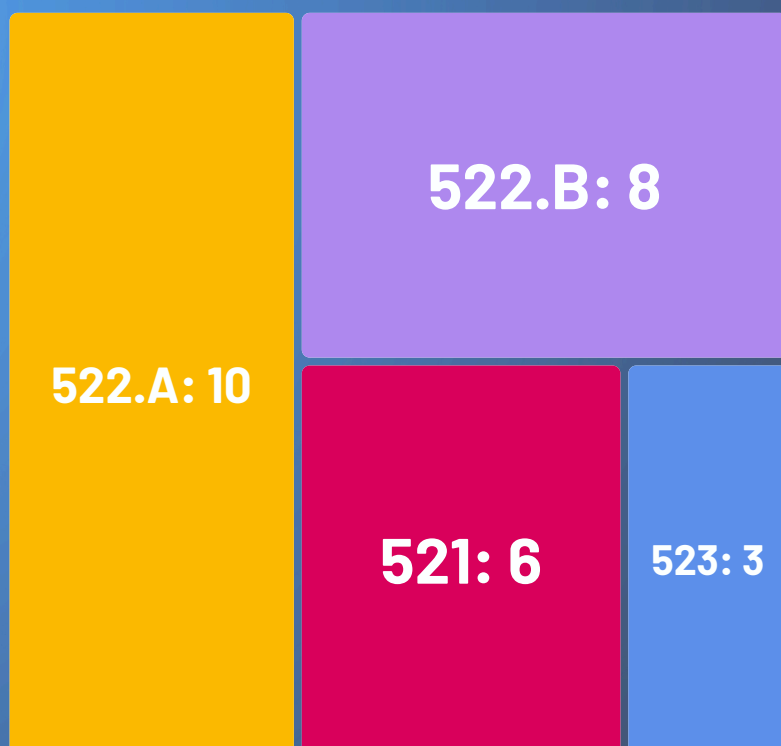
Overview of Priority 5

27

Submitted Projects

Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

Priority 5 - A more Connected Europe is targeting both infrastructure and safety. Upgrades to secondary roads, including key TEN-T connections, are a focus. With 4 active tenders, the most significant interest has been seen in Call 522.A - Equipment to Increase Traffic Safety, with **10** projects submitted, followed by Call 522.B - Equipment to increase traffic safety, with **8** submitted projects.



€ 513.088.160,53

13

signed contracts

Thirteen contracts, three for road safety infrastructure, four for road safety equipment and six for road infrastructure have been secured under Priority 5.

Signed contracts

Cluj: 4

Satu Mare: 2

Maramureş: 2

Bihor: 3

Sălaj: 1

Bistriţa...

The total eligible
budget of the signed
contracts

€412.539.606,93

The total budget of the
signed contracts

€687.889.688,40



Bistriţa-Năsăud County is set to transform regional mobility through a **€85 million** investment, co-financed by the North-West Regional Programme 2021-2027. This large-scale infrastructure project will modernise **77 km of the DJ151** county road, improving safety, accessibility, and sustainability for more than **93,000 residents** across the region.

The project includes the rehabilitation and widening of the road where needed, reconstruction of its structural layers, and upgrading key infrastructure elements such as **7 bridges and 371 culverts**. To support greener mobility, the plan features the construction of over **15 km of sidewalks, 31 video-monitored pedestrian crossings, and nearly 11 km of new cycling infrastructure** designed to encourage non-motorised transport.

Additional improvements include **28 upgraded bus stops** serving the county's public transport network and **8 fast-charging stations** for electric vehicles, located in landscaped green areas to promote low-emission mobility.

Once completed, the upgraded corridor is expected to support up to **40 million** passenger-kilometres annually, significantly enhancing connectivity between **Bistriţa-Năsăud and Mureş counties**, and integrating the route into the **TEN-T network**.

This investment places Bistriţa-Năsăud on the map as a driver of sustainable, safe, and future-oriented regional transport, aligned with the EU's cohesion and climate goals.

Overview of Priority 6

67

Submitted Projects

Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

Priority 6 - A more social and inclusive Europe involves tenders aimed at enhancing educational infrastructure across various levels, from early childhood to university education, and at modernizing school facilities. The most active call is **621.A** - Educational infrastructure at the early education level - pre-school (nurseries) and pre-school (kindergartens), that garnered **23** projects. This is followed by **621.B** - Educational infrastructure for primary and secondary education - theoretical and vocational stream, with **14** submitted projects.

621.A: 23

621.B: 14

623: 8

622.A...



€227.856.918,39

24

signed contracts

The call for projects 623 - Development of educational infrastructure in university education has secured **7** signed contracts, underscoring the academic community's interest in advancing their infrastructure for future development.

Signed contracts

Bihor: 5

Cluj: 13

Bistrița-Năsăud: 4

Satu Ma...

Maramu...

The total eligible
budget of the signed
contracts

€ 81.573.327,18

The total budget of the
signed contracts

€ 127.692.546,16



Rodna (Bistrița-Năsăud County) is taking a strategic step toward inclusive and future-oriented education through a **€1.95 million** investment, co-financed by the North-West Regional Programme 2021-2027. The project supports the **extension, modernisation, and equipment of the Florian Porcius Vocational School**.

The investment will result in the construction of two new school buildings, including **six classrooms and four technical workshops**, fully equipped to deliver practical, **labour market-relevant training** for students in the professional and technical education stream. The new facilities will accommodate up to **190 students**, while introducing **dual-education structures** tailored to evolving sectoral needs.

Designed with **accessibility, energy efficiency, and digital readiness** in mind, the new infrastructure will provide **safe, inclusive, and high-quality** learning environments. The project will help reduce school dropout rates, support transitions to higher education levels, and increase community trust in local public services.

Set for completion in **March of 2028**, this initiative reinforces Rodna's commitment to preparing young people for the **jobs of tomorrow**, while offering a **scalable model for vocational education** in rural and underserved areas across the region.

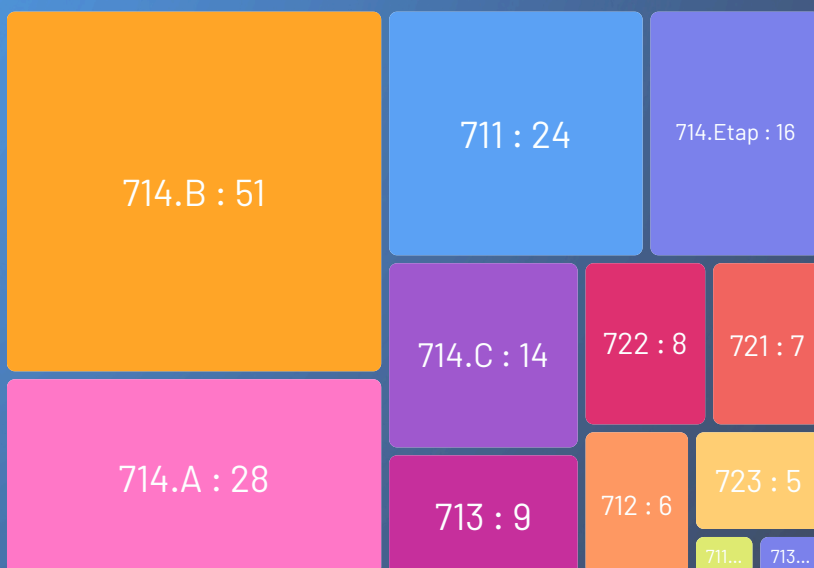
Overview of Priority 7

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Submitted Projects

Total eligible budget of submitted projects:

Priority 7 - A Europe close to its citizens involves tenders promoting integrated and inclusive development across social, economic, and environmental domains, as well as culture, natural heritage, sustainable tourism, and security in non-urban areas. The most active tender is **714.B** - Urban Regeneration and Security of Public Spaces, with 51 submitted projects. Additionally, call for projects **714.A** - Conservation, Protection, and Sustainable and Competitive Enhancement of Cultural and Historical Heritage, including ensuring and/or improving access to them in urban areas, has garnered 28 submitted projects.



€ 940.496.549,41

58

signed contracts

The call for projects **714.B** - Urban regeneration and the security of public spaces has **14** signed contracts, showcasing the increased interest of the public sector beautify the cities to match the beauty of the community that inhabits each place.

Signed contracts

Bihar: 18

Maramureş: 11

Cluj: 13

Satu Mare: 8

Bistrița-Năsău...

Sălaj: 3

The total eligible
budget of the signed
contracts

€ 252.428.763,23

The total budget of the
signed contracts

€ 356.607.405,62

Sânmartin (Bihar County) is set to enhance its attractiveness and boost eco-tourism through a **€6.3 million** investment co-financed by the North-West Regional Programme 2021-2027. The initiative aims to develop the **local tourism infrastructure** by creating **inclusive, sustainable, and community-oriented** public spaces that will improve the quality of life for residents while supporting long-term economic growth. The project includes the creation of a **1.3 km bicycle path**, a **1.6 km promenade**, and a **364 meter access road** for residents. These new routes will promote **low-impact travel and create opportunities** for leisure, exercise, and local exploration. The investment supports the vision of a **greener and more resilient community**, preserving natural assets while making them accessible to all, including people with reduced mobility. A wide public consultation shaped the project, ensuring it meets **local needs**. The planned interventions will strengthen local identity, support small businesses, and increase visitor numbers by over **20%**. By integrating **inclusive infrastructure and nature-based solutions**, the project contributes to sustainable tourism, cultural promotion, and environmental protection in line with EU cohesion goals. The new amenities are expected to be completed by **September 2027**.

