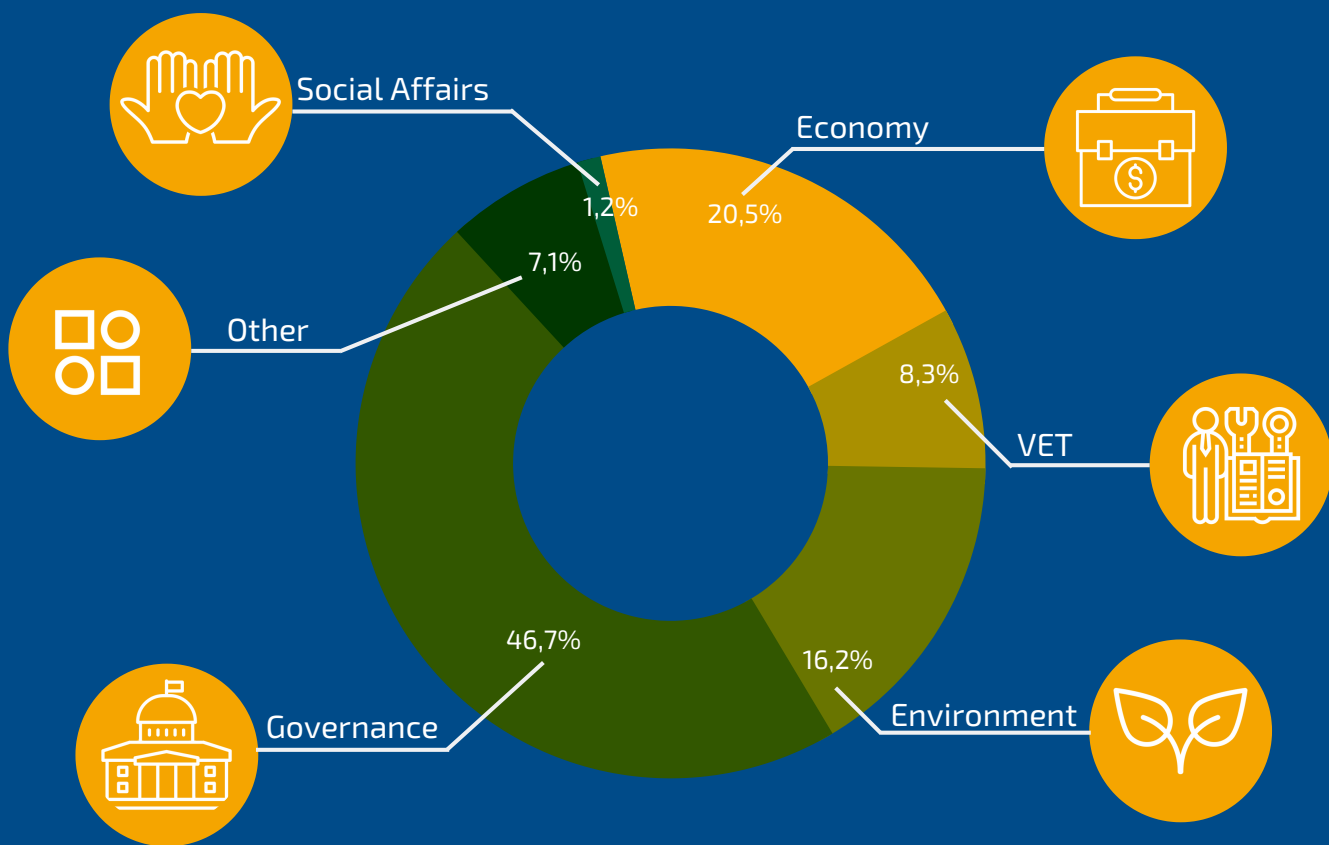




refers to the six countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia. The region is at the centre of the efforts of a European integration process, and several projects are currently preparing the countries for future EU accession.

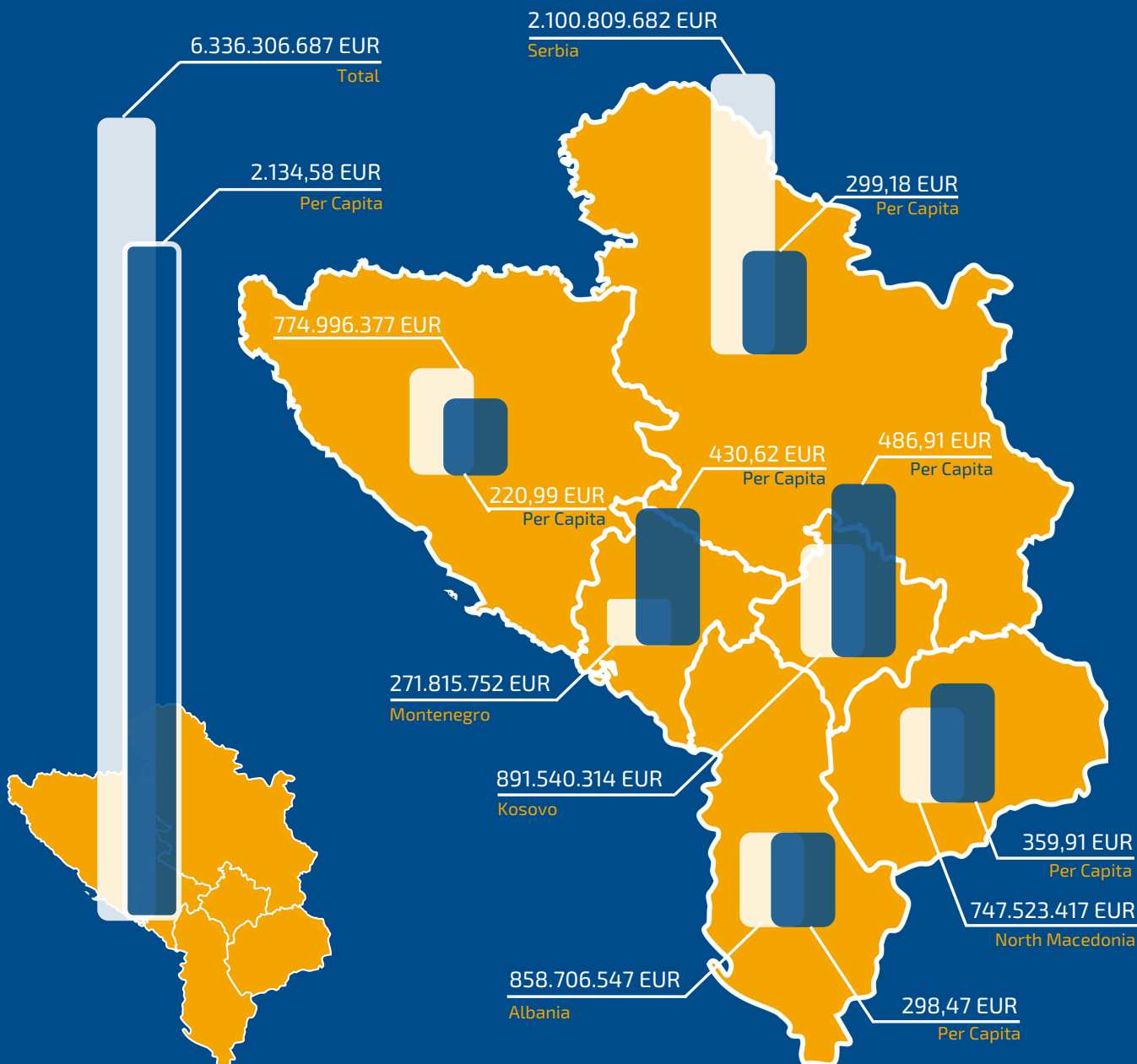
Since 2012, Swiss, Austrian, German and US American development agencies and UNDP invested more than **EUR 1,5 billion** in over **350 projects** in the Western Balkans. In addition, as part of the Instrument for Pre-Accession (IPA) the European Union provided around **EUR 4.2 billion** during the past six years. Overall, the mentioned agencies invested more than **EUR 6 billion** in the following main sectors:



Funding Volume in the Western Balkans

In EUR between 2014 and 2020

European Development Agencies and the EU supported with almost EUR 700 million inter-regional projects in the Western Balkan. Most national projects are financed in Serbia and Kosovo with EUR 2,1 billion and EUR 890 million each. Broken down to the population of the six Western Balkan countries, however, Kosovo and Montenegro received the majority of the funding with respectively around EUR 480 and EUR 430 **per capita** over the past years. In total, over the past six years, at least EUR 2.100 were invested per capita in the Western Balkans:



Chamber Projects in the Western Balkans

The Chamber Partnership Western Balkans is one out of a few chamber projects in the region that work closely together. All projects strive for improving the organizational capacity of the WB6 chambers of commerce, deepening political dialogue and establishing a joint representation of the region as an economic area. All projects set their own accents in their work and yet we also share common work priorities that are closely interlinked:



Chamber Partnership Western Balkans

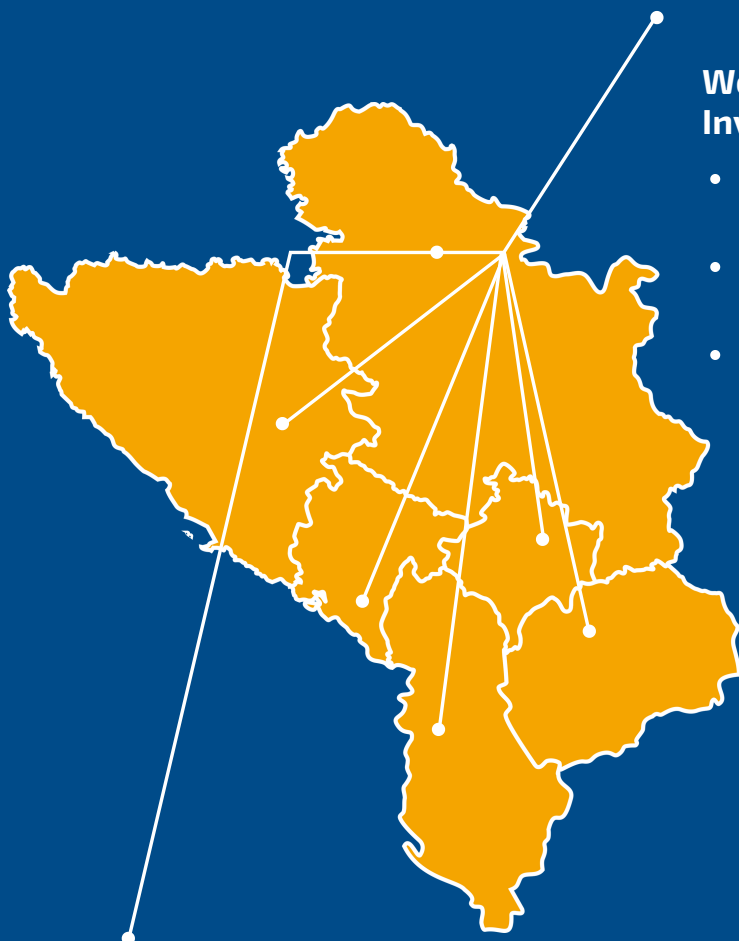
- Supports the chambers in growing sustainable relations with the regional economy and in empowering themselves and their network

Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)

- Develops and maintains a political climate of dialogue, reconciliation, tolerance and openness towards cooperation
- Regional programmes aimed at economic and social development

Western Balkans Chamber Investment Forum (CIF)

- Connects the chambers of commerce in the Western Balkans
- Grows sustainable relations with the regional economy
- Capacity Building



USAID Competitive Economy Project

- Increases Exports in Food Industry
- Stimulates Innovation
- Develops finance and education platforms for SMEs

USAID Cooperation for Growth Project (CFG)

- Improves Serbian business enabling environment
- Simplifys the regulatory framework