**CALL FOR BULGARIAN PARTNER**

**PROGRAM:** CBC Program **[www.cbcromaniabulgaria.eu](http://www.cbcromaniabulgaria.eu)**

This programme is financed by the European Union through the European Regional Development Fund and co-financed by Romania and Bulgaria through contributions from state budget and from project beneficiaries.

**Deadline for application submission: 15th March 2016**

**The programme’s eligible area includes 7 counties from Romania (Mehedinti, Dolj, Olt, Teleorman, Giurgiu, Calarasi, Constanta) and 8 districts from Republic of Bulgaria (Vidin, Montana, Vratsa, Pleven, Veliko Tarnovo, Ruse, Silistra, Dobrich).**

**Programme Objectives**

* *Specific objective 1.1: Improve the planning, development and coordination of cross border transport systems for better connections to TEN-T transport network*
* *Specific objective 1.2: Increase transport safety on waterways and maritime transport routes*
* *Specific objective 2.1: To improve the sustainable use of natural heritage and resources and cultural heritage*
* *Specific objective 2.2: To enhance the sustainable management of the ecosystems from the cross-border area*
* *Specific objective 3.1: To improve joint risk management in the cross-border area*
* *Specific objective 4.1 To encourage the integration of the cross-border area in terms of employment and labour mobility*
* *Specific objective 5.1: To increase cooperation capacity and the efficiency of public institutions in a CBC context*

### Programme Priority Axes

In order to achieve the objectives set out in the programming document, the partner states have jointly agreed upon the main directions on which the interventions under this programme should focus. These main directions are called Priority Axes and are as follows:

* Priority Axis 1: A well connected region
* Specific Objective 1.1 Improve the planning, development and coordination of cross-border transport systems for better connections to TEN-T transport network
* Specific Objective 1.2 Increase transport safety on waterways and maritime transport routes
* Priority Axis 2: A green region
	+ Specific Objective 2.1 To improve the sustainable use of natural heritage and resources and cultural heritage
	+ Specific Objective 2.2 To enhance the sustainable management of the ecosystems from the cross-border area
* Priority Axis 3: A safe region
	+ Specific Objective 3.1 To improve joint risk management in the cross-border area
* Priority Axis 4: A skilled and inclusive region
* Specific Objective 4.1 To encourage the integration of the cross-border area in terms of employment and labor mobility
* Priority Axis 5: An efficient region
* Specific Objective 5.1 To increase cooperation capacity and the efficiency of public institutions in a CBC context
* Priority Axis 6: Technical Assistance

### Eligibility of Applicants

The applicants have to comply with a set of requirements related to their:

- legal status,

- geographical location,

- professional and financial background