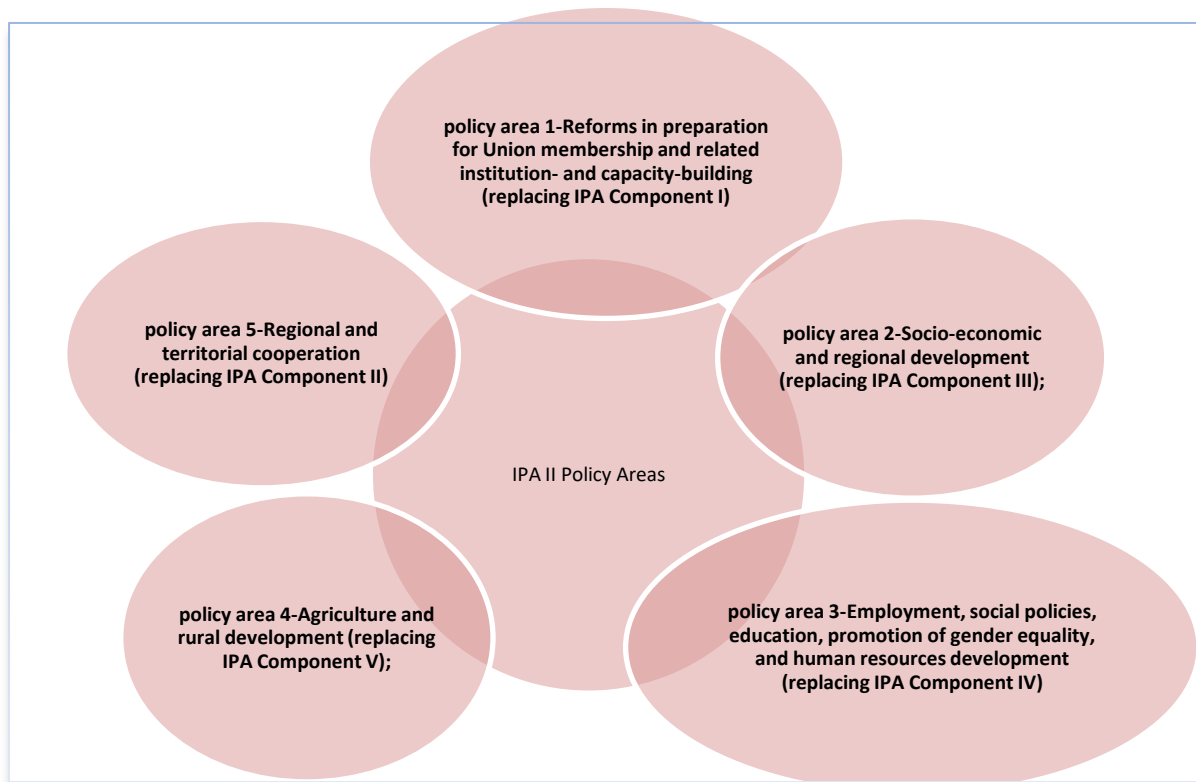


IPA II POLICY AREAS (2014-2020)

In order to promote co-operation between the Parties and to assist the IPA II beneficiary in its progressive alignment with the standards and policies of the Union, including the acquis, with a view to Union membership, the Parties agree to implement actions in the following policy areas as applicable to the IPA II beneficiaries with a view of achieving the objectives as set out in Articles 1 and 2 of the IPA II Regulation:

- a) Reforms in preparation for Union membership and related institution and capacity-building;
- b) Socio-economic and regional development;
- c) Employment, social policies, education, promotion of gender equality, and human resources development;
- d) Agriculture and rural development;
- e) Regional and territorial cooperation.

These five policy areas replace the five IPA Components of the programming period 2007-2013 or IPA I.



The sector approach is a new approach I programming and financing under IPA II. Sectors foreseen with the Indicative Strategic paper are as follows:

I. Reforms in preparation for Union membership and related institution and capacity-building

1. Democracy and governance
2. Rule of law and fundamental rights

II. Socio-economic and regional development

3. Environment, climate action and energy
4. Transport
5. Competitiveness, innovation

III. Employment, social policies, education, promotion of gender equality, and human resources development

6. Education, employment and social policies

IV. Agriculture and rural development

7. Agriculture and rural development

V. Regional and territorial cooperation

8. Regional and territorial cooperation