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Hungarian companies support the Western Balkans in fighting climate change

Western Balkans Green Center Nonprofit Llc. under the Ministry for Innovation and Technology of Hungary (MIT) launched its second grant call for climate protection activities in the Western Balkans region today. Peter Kaderják, Minister of State for Energy and Climate Policy emphasized the importance of Hungary's contributions to the region's climate efforts.

The Call, backed by MIT, assumes HUF 400 million for Hungarian economic and academic content in climate protection related developments in the Western Balkans, to pursue the region's green transition.

"Through the program, Hungary, in line with its climate commitments would like to support the green transition of the Western Balkans while strengthening regional economic cooperation" – said Kaderjak.

The objective of the program run by the Western Balkans Green Center lies in fostering the achievement of meaningful climate protection impacts, job and income creation through investments and fostering cooperation in technical assistance. Minister of State Kaderják expects a solid number of high-quality applications from Hungary-based companies, similarly to the first round during spring this year.

During the first Call, MIT financed the following projects: GIS supporting air pollution reduction in Kosovo, energy efficiency improvements of the Subotica Waterworks in Serbia, waste utilization for energy production in Montenegro, and innovative water and energy investments in Tirana, among many others.

The Call is open for applications until 7 December 2020 and is available on the [website of the Western Balkans Green Center](#).

The original press release in Hungarian is available at:

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