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List of Projects

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Monitoring and Supporting Western Balkan Convergence with the European Union

Open Society Foundations Western Balkans (OSF) November 2024 - December 2025

This project aims to support the economic, social, and institutional convergence of the Western Balkans with the EU by developing a comprehensive convergence database and index, alongside a dashboard and annual reports to track regional progress. Additionally, it will provide scenario analyses, policy recommendations, and advocacy strategies to further enhance the region's convergence with the EU. In that way, it can be linked to the aim of the Western Balkan leaders of establishing an Observatory of Convergence, as well as the reinvigorated enlargement momentum from the EU.