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About us

Balkan Green Foundation (BGF) is a regional organization working at the intersection of energy transition, climate governance, and sustainable development in the Western Balkans.

BGF contributes to shaping and advancing green policies by combining policy analysis, monitoring, advocacy, and multi-stakeholder engagement. The organization plays an active role in strengthening institutional accountability, transparency, and evidence-based policymaking, particularly in areas related to energy transition, energy efficiency, decarbonization, and environmental governance.

Through its work, BGF plays an active role in monitoring the implementation of key national and

regional policies, including the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans and energy transition frameworks, while facilitating dialogue between institutions, civil society, and other stakeholders.

Regional cooperation remains a core component of BGF’s approach, with the organization contributing to cross-border collaboration on decarbonization, just transition, and sustainable economic development, and strengthening partnerships across the Western Balkans.

BGF has positioned itself as a relevant policy and accountability actor, supporting the development of data-driven tools, fostering public participation, and contributing to policy discussions on energy, environment, and sustainable development at both national and regional levels.

Our approach and signature programs

BGF'S work is structured around three (3) core programmatic pillars, which together combines policy engagement, innovation, and regional cooperation to advance a just and inclusive green transition in the Western Balkans:

- **Regional Cooperation:** BGF facilitates regional cooperation by bringing together public institutions, civil society, academia, and the private sector to address shared climate and energy challenges. Through regional forums, partnerships, and joint initiatives, BGF contributes to cross-border dialogue, knowledge exchange, and coordinated approaches to decarbonization and sustainable development in the Western Balkans. is embodied in BGF's endeavors, gathering all actors at all levels to work together and harness an enabling environment for vital work at the national and regional level toward sustainable development.
- **Social Innovation:** Through the social innovation pillar, BGF strengthens youth engagement, green entrepreneurship, and community-driven solutions. Flagship initiatives such

as Balkan Green Ideas (BGI) and RISE support the development of early-stage green businesses and social enterprises, contributing to inclusive economic development and the growth of local green ecosystems across the region.

- **Sustainable Development:** BGF advances sustainable development through policy analysis, monitoring, advocacy, and data-driven tools, with a strong focus on energy transition and climate governance. Through this pillar, BGF contributes to evidence-based policymaking, institutional accountability, and public participation, supporting national and local processes related to decarbonization, energy efficiency, and environmental governance.

Foreword

In 2025, a question that would have seemed implausible not long ago began to surface more openly: is decarbonization losing momentum? The fact that this question can now be asked reflects a shift that civil society feels directly. The transition has not stalled, but it has become more exacting, and far less forgiving of weak implementation.

Across Europe and the Western Balkans, renewable energy continues to expand, particularly solar. What has changed is the pressure placed on systems expected to sustain this growth. Grid capacity, storage, and industrial development now determine the pace. Policy frameworks are advancing in parallel. National Energy and Climate Plans are being revised and adopted. In Kosovo, the Climate Change Law and the Law on the Promotion of Renewable Energy provide an important legislative foundation. Yet continuity remains fragile.

Financing is constrained, coordination uneven, and recurrent political deadlock interrupts progress at precisely the moment it is most needed.

Expectations are rising faster than institutional capacity. The consequences are visible.

In 2025, Balkan Green Foundation worked closer to where the transition is unfolding.

With municipalities navigating energy efficiency measures under real constraints. With institutions tasked with translating commitments into policy and implementation.

With communities, including women and young professionals, whose participation remains essential to a transition that is both credible and inclusive.

The 2nd Green Forum recently brought together passionate voices from across Kosovo to discuss the future of sustainability, clean energy, and climate action.



This approach shaped the work throughout the year. BGF contributed to national processes through policy inputs on NECP implementation, energy poverty, air quality, and electricity tariffs, while producing analysis that rendered implementation gaps more legible and more difficult to overlook. Engagement extended across institutions, civil society, academia, and the private sector, not as an end in itself, but to maintain a continuous line between policy and practice.

At the same time, the organization continued to support green ideas and community-driven businesses across the region for the fourteenth consecutive cycle, strengthening local innovation and reaffirming the role of communities in shaping the transition. Work with municipalities centred on application, supporting local actors in translating policy into concrete energy efficiency measures.

A further step was the finalization of Kosovo Green Insights, supported by the

World Bank through the Global Partnership for Social Accountability. Conceived as a one-stop platform for energy and climate data, it establishes a clearer basis for tracking progress and strengthening accountability over time.

Some distances are technical. Others are institutional. The one that matters most is the distance between what is promised and what is delivered.

Reducing that distance is not a single intervention, nor a linear process. It requires patience, consistency, and, at times, a willingness to remain engaged even when progress is partial and uneven.



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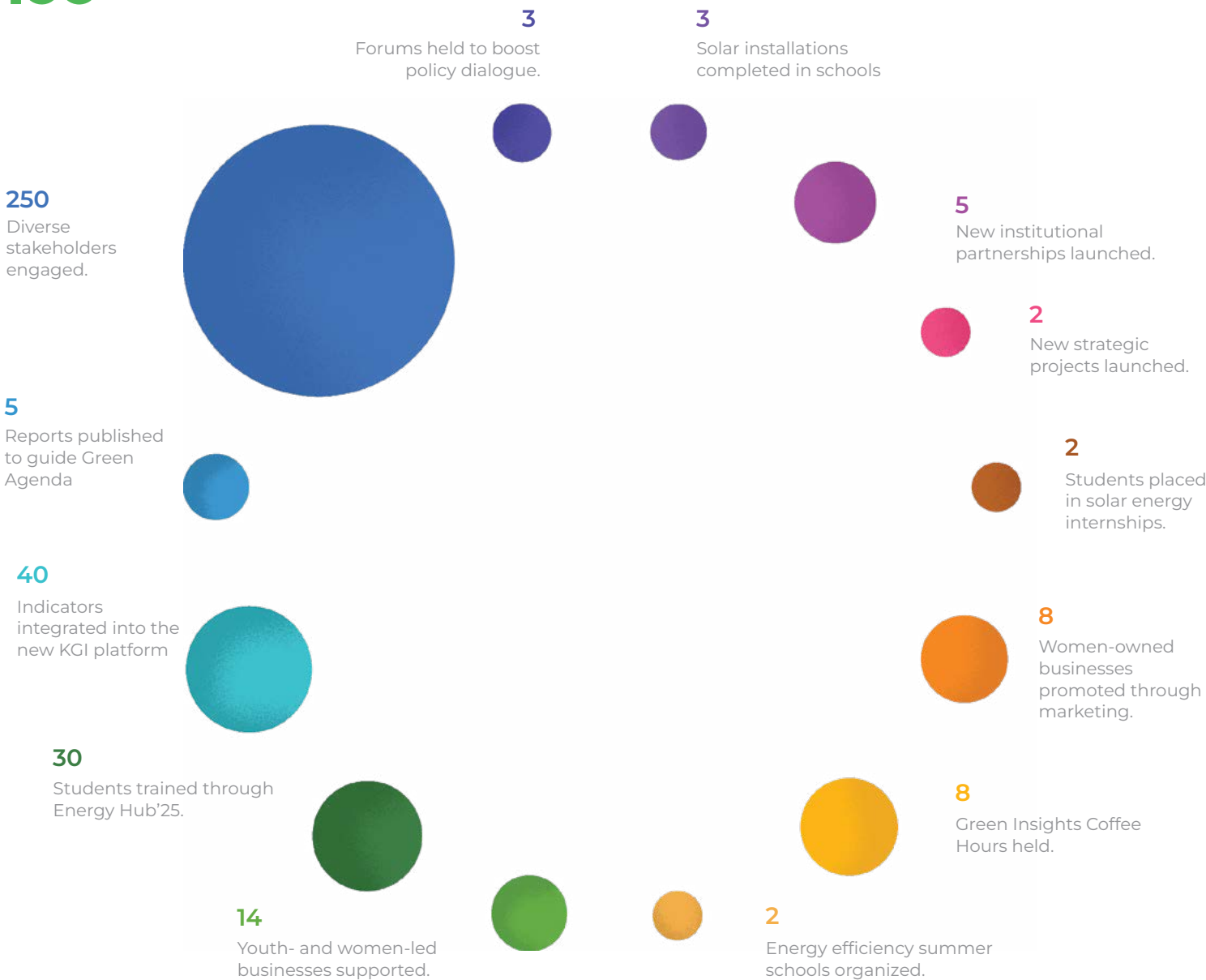
This work reflects a team that has remained deliberate in its choices and disciplined in its approach, even as the context has become more demanding. It has also been made possible through the continued support of partners who have invested in accountable and evidence-based approaches to sustainable development, including the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the World Bank through the Global Partnership for Social Accountability, the European Climate Initiative, LuxDev, SIDA, CDF, AFD, RYCO, the European Union, the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, UNMIK, and GIZ.



Our work at a glance

Through 2025, BGF successfully:

- 3 national and regional forums organized to strengthen policy dialogue among institutions and stakeholders.
- 250 stakeholders engaged from institutions, civil society, academia, the private sector, and international partners.
- 5 reports published on Green Agenda assessment, energy poverty, and just transition, informing national discussions on energy transition and Green Agenda implementation.
- Finalized the one-stop shop platform Kosovo Green Insights (KGI), with 40 structured indicators, dashboards, and visual tools to enhance transparency, accountability, and informed public debate on climate and energy policy.
- Provided policy inputs on NECP implementation, energy poverty, air quality, and electricity tariffs.
- 30 university students trained through Energy Hub'25.
- 14 youth- and women-led business ideas supported through projects such as RISE, Balkan Green Ideas (BGI), PeaceBizz Hackathon, and the Green Challenge Competition.



- 3 solar installations completed in public education institutions, totaling 23.7 kWp of installed capacity.
- 5 new institutional partnerships developed, strengthening collaboration and advancing joint action on green transition priorities.
- 2 new strategic projects, strengthening BGF's work on just transition.
- 2 university students placed in internships in the solar energy sector, supporting early career development in clean energy.
- 8 women-owned businesses highlighted through a marketing campaign.
- 8 Green Insights Coffee Hours organized for community engagement.
- 2 summer schools were organized on energy efficiency and energy poverty, strengthening knowledge and awareness among participants.

Beyond outputs, BGF's work in 2025 strengthened policy accountability and advanced national and regional dialogue on energy transition. Through its monitoring, policy inputs, and multi-stakeholder platforms, BGF supported more informed decision-making processes and increased visibility of key implementation gaps in Kosovo's energy and climate agenda.

Programmatic results

1. Sustainable Development

In 2025, BGF’s Sustainable Development pillar focused on advancing energy transition and climate governance in Kosovo and the Western Balkans. Through policy monitoring, structured dialogue, and stakeholder engagement, BGF identified key implementation gaps, strengthened institutional accountability, and supported more coordinated approaches to decarbonization and energy sector reforms. This work was implemented through projects such as:



Kosovo Green Action (KGA): strengthened collaborative social accountability on climate and energy priorities by supporting data-driven policymaking and facilitating structured dialogue among institutions, civil society, media, and citizens.



Energy Transition and Decarbonization in the Western Balkans: contributed to advancing energy transition and decarbonization in Kosovo, North Macedonia, and Serbia by strengthening collaboration between civil society, academia, and the private sector, and supporting dialogue on national and regional reforms.



Green Horizons: Community Engagement through Advancing Sustainable Energy: strengthened sustainable energy practices and increased environmental awareness in Kosovo and the wider region through monitoring activities, youth engagement, and regional collaboration.



POWERING CITIZENS: addressed energy poverty and promoted energy democracy by engaging youth and empowering citizens. The project supported vulnerable communities through training young energy mentors, facilitating knowledge exchange, and encouraging active participation in local energy-related initiatives.



Empowering Green Transition in Kosovo: advanced Kosovo’s clean energy transition by promoting renewable energy, energy efficiency, and sustainable practices across communities, with particular attention to vulnerable groups, women, and municipalities. The project supported SME competitiveness through green certification processes and contributed to improving building energy performance.



Green Horizons – Enabling Just Transition: advanced the implementation of just transition principles in coal-affected municipalities by engaging local stakeholders and supporting dialogue on the socio-economic impacts of energy transition. The project supported local approaches that can inform broader green transition efforts in the Western Balkans.



Sun is our Power: promoted environmental education and youth cooperation through renewable energy learning activities, resulting in solar panel installations in schools and supporting sustainable practices.

2. Social Innovation

In 2025, under its Social Innovation pillar, BGF strengthened youth engagement and green entrepreneurship by supporting early-stage ventures and innovation across the Western Balkans.

Regional Incubator for Social Entrepreneurs (RISE): RISE strengthened social entrepreneurship and regional cooperation by supporting youth-led ventures with social and environmental impact. The program fostered collaboration among young entrepreneurs across the Western Balkans and advanced reconciliation through joint initiatives and capacity-building activities.

Balkan Green Ideas (BGI): supported the development of local and sustainable green businesses by enabling communities to transform innovative ideas into viable enterprises. The program strengthened local economies by promoting the use of local resources and supporting community-based market solutions.



Teams pitched diverse solutions for culture, employment, and sustainability at the PeaceBIZZ Hackathon finale.



PoweringCitizens:
Energy Poverty Training, 2025

3. Regional Cooperation

Advancing a Peaceful, Democratic, and European Western Balkans through the Green Agenda: BGF supported regional cooperation and EU integration processes by supporting the implementation of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans. The initiative facilitated policy dialogue, stakeholder engagement, and the exchange of regional experiences on climate governance, environmental protection, and green economic development.

ReRURAL – Renew RURAL Areas: BGF contributed to addressing energy poverty in Southeast Europe by supporting the development of a shared understanding of energy poverty and promoting the establishment of energy communities in target countries, including Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovenia, and Kosovo. The project strengthened regional cooperation on inclusive and community-based energy solutions.

With projects like Energy Transition and Decarbonization in the Western Balkans, through a regional, cross-border approach, BGF supported cooperation among stakeholders working on energy transition and decarbonization. The project supported dialogue and coordination toward more aligned regional approaches to energy production and integration.

RenovAID: BGF supported energy efficiency and building renovation efforts in Kosovo and Albania by supporting alignment with European Union climate and energy standards. The initiative strengthened regional exchange and policy dialogue on improving building performance and accelerating energy efficiency measures.

▼ ReRural workshop in Kamenica with representatives from the municipality and local civil society, 2025



▼ BGF and #RenovAID workshop in Tirana, focusing on building energy efficiency and EPCs with partners from Albania and Kosovo.



Key Achievements

1. Youth Capacity Building and Green Innovation

Energy Hubs

- The Energy Hub initiative strengthened youth capacities in Kosovo's energy transition by equipping university students with practical, market-relevant knowledge on energy efficiency and green innovation.
- Through Energy Hub'25, 30 university students from the Technical University enhanced their technical understanding of energy efficiency measures and sustainable solutions. As a result of the training sessions, participants improved their ability to identify and apply energy efficiency practices and developed initial concepts for green innovation initiatives.
- The engagement of a guest expert further enriched the learning process by providing practical insights and real-world perspectives, strengthening the link between academic knowledge and industry practices.

Summer Schools

- BGF enhanced youth capacities in the field of energy transition by facilitating participation in two international summer schools focused on energy efficiency and energy poverty, implemented in Slovenia and Croatia.

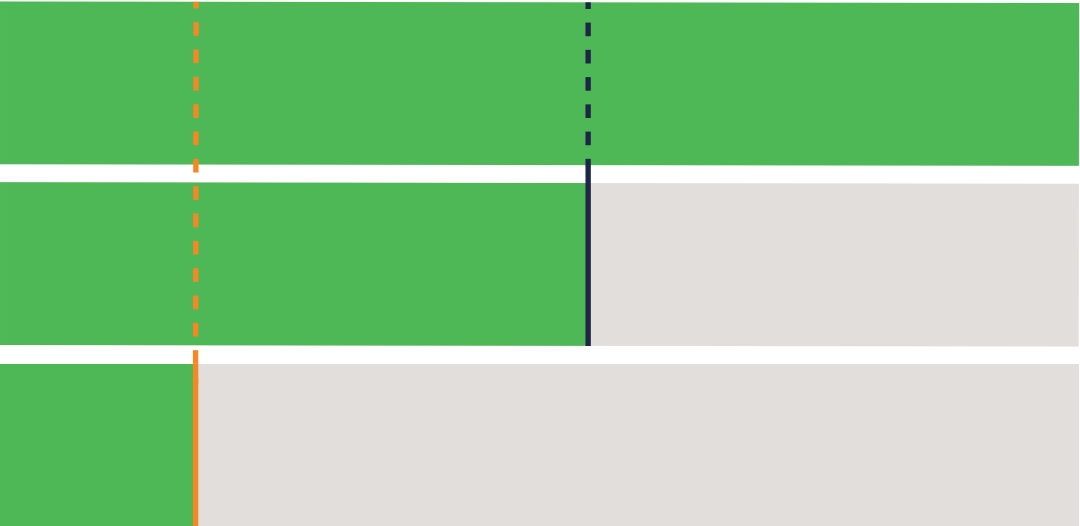
- A total of **20 young participants** from Kosovo strengthened their technical knowledge and analytical understanding of key energy transition challenges, particularly in identifying energy efficiency solutions and addressing energy poverty in vulnerable contexts. As a result of the program, participants improved their ability to apply theoretical concepts to real-world scenarios through practical case studies and structured learning modules.
- The interactive and peer-learning approach fostered cross-border knowledge exchange and collaboration, enabling participants to engage with regional peers, share experiences, and build networks that support continued cooperation beyond the programme.
- Overall, the initiative developed a more informed and regionally connected cohort of young professionals, better equipped to contribute to policy dialogue and practical solutions in the energy transition and just transition agenda.

Energy Hubs



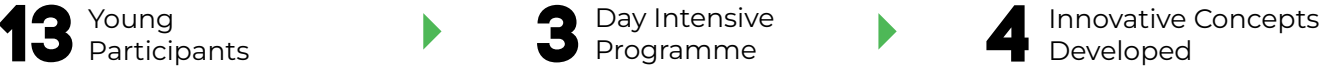
Balkan Green Ideas

- Through the Balkan Green Ideas (BGI) programme, BGF advanced green entrepreneurship by supporting the development and scaling of community-based, sustainable business ideas across the Western Balkans. The programme strengthened local innovation ecosystems by promoting business models that utilize local resources, generate social value, and respond to environmental challenges.
- The 14th edition of the BGI Annual Regional Competition, held in Ohrid, North Macedonia, convened **33 participants from all WB6 countries**, fostering regional exchange and collaboration among emerging green entrepreneurs. A total of **18 innovative ideas** were competitively selected and presented across two categories, reflecting a diverse pipeline of early-stage green solutions.
- As a direct result of the programme, six winning ideas received targeted support to further develop and scale their business models, strengthening their potential for market entry and long-term sustainability. In addition, participants enhanced their business and sustainability capacities through dedicated training sessions on ESG principles and sustainable business practices, improving their ability to align with emerging market and policy standards.
- Overall, the initiative strengthened the pipeline of viable green enterprises in the region, while fostering regional cooperation and equipping participants with the skills and knowledge necessary to advance sustainable economic development.



PeaceBizz Hackathon

- Through the PeaceBizz Hackathon, implemented within the RISE project, BGF supported youth-led innovation at the intersection of sustainability, peacebuilding, and community resilience across the Western Balkans.
- The 2025 edition, held in Prizren, Kosovo, brought together 13 young participants from across the WB6, facilitating cross-border collaboration and dialogue among emerging changemakers. As a direct result of the three-day intensive programme, participants developed and presented four innovative concept ideas, addressing social and environmental challenges through entrepreneurial approaches.
- Supported by structured mentoring and follow-up engagement, participants enhanced their skills in problem identification, solution design, and pitching, while strengthening their capacity to translate ideas into viable initiatives. The hackathon format enabled rapid ideation and validation, equipping participants with practical tools to advance their concepts beyond the event.
- Overall, the initiative contributed to building a pipeline of youth-driven, impact-oriented solutions, while fostering regional cooperation, intercultural exchange, and a shared commitment to sustainable and peaceful community development.



Green Challenge Competition

- Through the Green Challenge Competition, BGF strengthened the pipeline of early-stage green enterprises in Kosovo by identifying and supporting innovative business ideas in the fields of green innovation and energy efficiency. The competition specifically targeted young entrepreneurs, students, and women-led initiatives, contributing to more inclusive participation in the green economy.
- As a result of the competitive selection process, five high-potential ideas were shortlisted, demonstrating innovative approaches to energy efficiency practices and sustainable business development. From this pool, one winning idea received targeted support, enabling further development

- and refinement of its business model with increased potential for implementation and market entry.
- The initiative enhanced the visibility and viability of emerging green entrepreneurs, while fostering a culture of innovation and supporting the transition towards a more sustainable and inclusive economy.

5

high-potential ideas were shortlisted

1

winning idea received targeted support



International Training on Energy Poverty – Ancona, Italy

- BGF strengthened national capacities to address energy poverty by facilitating participation in an international training on energy poverty and citizen empowerment, hosted by Università Politecnica delle Marche in Ancona, Italy.
- Through this initiative, three representatives from Kosovo successfully completed the programme and were certified as Energy Advisors, enhancing the country's human capital in addressing energy poverty and supporting vulnerable households. As a result of the training, participants improved their technical and advisory capacities to assess energy needs, promote energy efficiency measures, and engage citizens in the energy transition process.
- The programme brought together 40 participants from across Europe and the Western Balkans, enabling cross-country knowledge exchange and exposure to best practices in tackling energy poverty. This regional learning environment strengthened participants' ability to adapt and apply proven approaches within the Kosovo context.
- Overall, the initiative established a qualified pool of young energy advisors in Kosovo, better equipped to support citizen empowerment, inform policy discussions, and advance inclusive energy transition efforts at the local and national level.

40

total participants

3

representatives from Kosovo



2. Regional Reach & Partnerships

Regional Forum 2025

- On 25 September 2025, BGF convened the Regional Forum “Climate Partnerships – Shared Strategies for the Western Balkans”, bringing together 90 stakeholders from government, civil society, academia, and the private sector to strengthen regional cooperation on climate action and decarbonization.
- Through three expert-led panel discussions and high-level keynote contributions, the forum facilitated structured dialogue on just transition, decarbonization pathways, and the role of cross-border partnerships in addressing shared climate challenges. As a result, participants enhanced their understanding of regional priorities and identified common approaches to accelerate climate action across the Western Balkans.
- The inclusion of interactive side activities further enabled participants to engage in solution-oriented discussions, fostering collaboration and exchange beyond formal panels. These formats generated actionable insights and strengthened connections among key stakeholders.
- Overall, the forum strengthened policy dialogue and reinforcing cross-border partnerships, positioning regional cooperation as a critical mechanism for delivering a more coordinated and effective transition toward a decarbonized future.



Green Forums

- Through the second and third editions of the Green Forum, BGF consolidated its role in facilitating Kosovo’s central multi-stakeholder platform for advancing and monitoring the implementation of the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans.
- The Second Green Forum (January 2025) convened **80 national stakeholders**, strengthening dialogue on progress and challenges in delivering Green Agenda commitments. Through two expert panel discussions and thematic focus group sessions, participants engaged in in-depth exchanges on priority policy areas. The presentation and discussion of the Green Agenda Assessment findings increased awareness of the implementation gaps and informed evidence-based dialogue among institutions and stakeholders.
- Building on this momentum, the Third Green Forum expanded the platform’s impact by bringing together 90 participants, including representatives from national institutions, civil society, academia, and the private sector. Through high-level keynote addresses and two panel discussions, the forum advanced discussions on climate change and energy transition commitments, reinforcing institutional accountability and policy alignment.
- A dedicated community storytelling segment further strengthened the forum’s inclusiveness by integrating citizen perspectives on energy transition and energy poverty, contributing to a more grounded and people-centered policy dialogue.
- Overall, the Green Forum series advanced accountability, enhancing stakeholder coordination, and promoting evidence-based policymaking, positioning the platform as a key mechanism for tracking progress and advancing Kosovo’s Green Agenda commitments.

2nd Edition of Green Forum



Partnership developments

Throughout 2025, BGF strengthened its programmatic impact by establishing and formalizing strategic partnerships with key institutional and private sector actors, contributing to a more coordinated and scalable approach to advancing the green and just transition in Kosovo.

Through the signing of Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) with **Kosovo Chamber of Commerce (KCC)**, **American Chamber of Commerce in**

Kosovo, and **MIRECK**, BGF strengthened collaboration with key stakeholders to promote sustainable practices among export-oriented businesses and private sector. These partnerships expanded outreach to the business community and supported the integration of sustainability practices to enhance market competitiveness.

BGF established a partnership with Teach for Kosovo (TFK), enhancing its

ability to integrate climate, energy, and sustainability topics within the education ecosystem.

At the local level, BGF formalized cooperation with the Municipality of Obiliq, a key coal-affected municipality, to advance just transition. This partnership strengthened the foundation for coordinated actions on sustainable energy, development of a Just Transition Roadmap for this municipality, ensuring that affected communities are more actively involved in shaping transition efforts.

3. Knowledge, advocacy, and policy impact

1. Awareness raising

National Workshop on Energy Poverty and Just Transition

A national-level workshop in Prishtina BGF strengthened national dialogue and awareness on energy poverty and just transition by convening a targeted workshop in Prishtina, bringing together 35 participants, including students, young professionals, and academics. The workshop fostered knowledge exchange and cross-sector dialogue, and enhanced their understanding of the social dimension of the energy transition.

ReRural Empower Lab



Municipal Workshops on Energy Poverty

BGF strengthened local capacities to address energy poverty by organizing two workshops in Kamenica, engaging **30+ participants** from communities, civil society and municipal institutions. As a result, participants improved their understanding of local energy poverty challenges and identified community-based solutions, while fostering direct dialogue between citizens and municipalities. The workshops enhanced local engagement, awareness, and participatory approaches to just transition at the municipal level.



“The Way Ahead to Green and Competitive” Workshop

Through this workshop, BGF disseminated the findings of the “Green and Competitive” study, and raised awareness among businesses and private sector on how mechanisms as Guarantees of Origin, enhance export competitiveness. The workshop validated key study findings and identified priority actions for improving the enabling environment.

“The Way Ahead to Green and Competitive” Workshop



Annual Forum of Accountability for Energy

Through the monitoring of Kosovo's Energy Strategy for the annual period of 2024, BGF strengthened accountability and oversight in the energy sector by presenting findings from this monitoring of a key strategic document. The forum brought together **35** stakeholders and enhanced their understanding of implementation progress, key challenges, and gaps in coordination, while engaging in a structured dialogue on improving transparency and effectiveness in the sector.



Awareness-raising activities in a community-based municipality

Through the Sun is Our Power project, BGF strengthened environmental awareness and youth engagement within Bosnian communities by delivering 12 interactive workshops and a two-day educational camp focused on environmental protection and renewable energy. Participants improved their understanding of sustainable practices and developed greater motivation to engage in youth led environmental initiatives. These activities fostered cooperation and social cohesion among young people through collaborative learning and shared action.



The Sun is Our Power workshop

Community Power Lab

Through the Community Power Lab, BGF enhanced citizen engagement and storytelling on energy poverty by training 23 young participants in responsible reporting methods. As a result, participants produced 20 audiovisual stories capturing lived experiences of energy poverty, contributing to greater visibility of the issue and promoting narratives in public discourse. Complementary activities, including 2 Energy Cafés and one public screening event, facilitated broader dialogue and reflection, engaging diverse audiences and raising awareness of energy challenges in Kosovo.



The Sun is Our Power project camp

Green Insights Coffee Hours

Through the Green Insights Coffee Hours, BGF created a structured yet informal platform for community engagement, expert exchange, and public dialogue on climate, energy, and sustainability. The format enabled accessible and continuous dialogue, encouraging broader participation and fostering a more informed and engaged stakeholder base around sustainability issues.

Infographics and Video animations

Throughout 2025, BGF advanced public awareness and outreach through the production of 6 infographics and five video animations addressing key climate and energy topics. The infographics translated complex policy developments related to Kosovo’s Green Agenda commitments into clear, accessible visual formats, enabling broader audiences to better understand progress and key priorities. In parallel, video animations covering energy efficiency, renewable

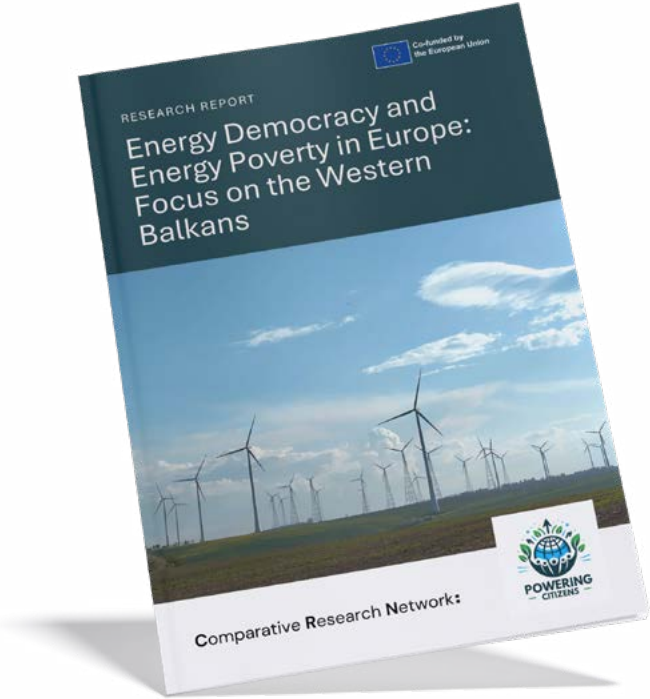
energy solutions, energy communities, and regional decarbonization efforts contributed to increasing public engagement and comprehension of energy transition concepts. Overall, these visual communication tools contributed to improving accessibility of information, expanding outreach across digital platforms, and supporting more informed public discourse on climate and energy issues.



2. Publications

In 2025, BGF positioned its research and publications as core advocacy tools, contributing directly to national and regional policy debates on climate, energy, and environmental governance. Through targeted analytical outputs, BGF supported evidence-based policymaking, strengthened institutional accountability, and enhanced public understanding of key transition challenges in Kosovo and the Western Balkans.

BGF's publications played a critical role in informing policy dialogue, feeding into multi-stakeholder platforms, and supporting advocacy efforts related to Green Agenda, energy transition, and just transition frameworks.



Research Report “Energy Democracy and Energy Poverty in Europe: Focus on the Western Balkans”

Produced under the **POWERINGCITIZENS** project, this report provided a comparative, evidence-based analysis of energy poverty and energy democracy across six countries (Kosovo, Albania, Italy, Greece, Germany, and the Netherlands), with a particular focus on the Western Balkans. The report generated policy-relevant insights on the inclusiveness and effectiveness of current energy and climate frameworks, particularly in addressing the need of vulnerable households and enabling citizen participation in the energy transition. This research report contributed to shaping policy discussions on energy poverty and citizen engagement, offering concrete entry points for improving national policy responses and aligning them with European best practices. It also supported BGF’s broader advocacy efforts by providing a robust evidence base for stakeholder dialogue, public communication, and accountability initiatives.



◀ Link for Research Report “Energy Democracy and Energy Poverty in Europe: Focus on the Western Balkans”

Green Agenda Implementation and Needs Assessment

Through the Green Agenda Implementation and Needs Assessment, BGF provided a comprehensive, evidence-based analysis of Kosovo's progress in implementing the Green Agenda, positioning the organization as a key contributor to national policy debates on climate and energy.

The assessment critically identified structural gaps in implementation, highlighting that while Kosovo has adopted an advanced legislative and strategic framework, progress is constrained by limited institutional capacities, weak inter-sectoral coordination, and insufficient financing mechanisms.

By providing targeted, actionable recommendations, including strengthening monitoring systems, improving data collection, investing in infrastructure, and enhancing institutional coordination, the publication directly contributed to shaping policy dialogue, informing stakeholders, and advancing accountability in the implementation of Kosovo's Green Agenda.



◀ Link for Research Report "Green Agenda Implementation and Needs Assessment"

1st Green Forum Commitment Paper

BGF, through the Kosovo Green Action (KGA) project, developed a Commitment Paper capturing institutional commitments made during the Green Forum to advance the implementation of the Green Agenda in Kosovo. The document serves as a key accountability tool, outlining concrete actions by central institutions, particularly the Ministry of Economy and the Ministry of Environment, Spatial Planning and Infrastructure, on energy transition, climate policy, and environmental governance. By documenting these commitments and linking them to ongoing monitoring and dialogue processes, the paper contributed to enhancing transparency, strengthening multi-stakeholder engagement, and supporting evidence-based follow-up on policy implementation.



◀ Link for Research Report "Where we stand: Kosovo's Green Agenda Progress Review"

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This report provides a midline assessment of Kosovo's progress in implementing the Green Agenda for the Western Balkans. The report identifies key systematic gaps in implementation, including weak institutional coordination, limited financial mechanisms, and insufficient enforcement across sectors such as energy, climate, waste and water. While Kosovo has advanced its legislative and strategic framework, the assessment highlights a persistent gap between policy commitments and practical delivery.

By offering targeted, evidence-based recommendations, the publication contributed to informing policy dialogue, strengthening accountability, and guiding stakeholders toward more coordinated and effective implementation of the Green Agenda.

Monitoring Report on the Energy Strategy Implementation Plan 2022-2025 (Monitoring period 2022-2024)

BGF has developed a comprehensive monitoring report assessing the implementation of Kosovo's Energy Strategy Implementation Plan for the period 2022-2024, providing an independent, evidence-based evaluation of progress across all strategic objectives.



This monitoring highlights that while some procedural progress has been achieved, overall implementation remains uneven, with only a limited number of actions fully completed and a significant share yet to be initiated. It identifies key structural challenges, including delays in capital investments, limited local-level engagement, and gaps between reported progress and actual sectoral impact.

Through a combination of quantitative tracking and qualitative analysis, the report offers targeted recommendations to strengthen institutional coordination, improve reporting methodologies, and accelerate the delivery of high-impact measures, thereby contributing to increased transparency, accountability, and effectiveness in Kosovo's energy transition.



◀ Link for Research Report "Monitoring Report on the Energy Strategy Implementation Plan 2022-2025 (Monitoring period 2022-2024)"

Communications and Outreach - Shaping public discourse on Energy Transition

In 2025, BGF leveraged its communications as a strategic tool to raise public awareness and contribute to national dialogue on energy transition and green policies. Through targeted digital content, media engagement, and storytelling, BGF translated complex climate and energy issues into accessible, evidence-based narratives, enabling broader public understanding and engagement.

Communications efforts were closely aligned with BGF's policy and advocacy work, amplifying key messages from research, monitoring reports, and public forums. This increased visibility of energy transition challenges, such as energy poverty, decarbonization, and just transition, and fostered more informed and inclusive public dialogue.

Overall, BGF's communications shaped public discourse, strengthening awareness of green policies, and promoting more active participation in the energy transition.



Digital Reach

BGF's presence across digital platforms and national media further supported greater transparency and citizen engagement, encouraging stakeholders to engage with policy developments and accountability processes.



3.65M+

Total social media views

400,000

Accounts reached



14,200

Followers across platforms



16,600+

Content interactions



Donors



Looking Ahead

The global context for climate and development continues to evolve, with shifting priorities, reorientation of funding, and increasing demand for measurable impact and accountability. In this changing landscape, the need for credible, locally grounded actors has become more important than ever.

For over 14 years, BGF has played a leading role in advancing the green agenda in Kosovo and the Western Balkans, bridging policy, evidence, and public engagement. This experience positions the organization to not only respond to emerging trends, but to actively shape them at the national and regional level.

Looking ahead, BGF will work on consolidating its impact, strengthening its policy and accountability work, and ensuring that green transition processes are both inclusive and results-driven. The organization will continue to foster partnerships, support informed public dialogue, and contribute to more transparent and effective climate and energy governance.

As global priorities shift, BGF will focus on scaling its impact, deepening its policy and accountability work, and strengthening its role as a regional actor. The organization will continue to drive more transparent, inclusive, and results-oriented energy transition processes, ensuring that policy commitments translate into measurable outcomes on the ground.



