

Serbian **Ministry of Environmental Protection** announced that [electricity transmission system operator EMS](#) has filed a request for determining the scope of the **environmental impact assessment study** for the last section of [Trans- Balkan Corridor](#).

Last month, EMS signed the agreement on the grant for the realization of the fourth section of Trans-Balkan Corridor with German **KfW Bank**. The grant for the construction of the fourth section in the length of 83 kilometers is worth 8.5 million euros. The sections runs from Bajina Basta to the border with **Montenegro** and **Bosnia and Herzegovina**.

The first phase of the Trans-Balkan project in Serbia included the construction of a double-circuit 400 kV transmission line from Pancevo to Romanian border, which was completed in December 2017 and was entirely financed by EMS. The third phase envisages the construction of a 109 kilometers-long 400 kV transmission line from Bajina Basta to Obrenovac, the upgrade of Bajina Basta substation's capacity to 400 kV, and the overhaul of the Obrenovac substation. The fourth phase will include the construction of 400 kV transmission line linking Bajina Basta to Bosnia and Herzegovina and Montenegro. The entire Trans-Balkan Electricity Corridor, should link Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Romania via a 400 kV transmission line and Montenegro and Italy via an undersea cable. Initially, it was expected that the Corridor will be operational by the end of 2022.

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