

# Macedonia – Champion of IMC



**Population: 2,1 mil.**

**64.2% Macedonians**

**25.2% Albanians**

**3.9% Turks**

**2.7% Roma**

**1.8% Serbs**

**2.2% other / unspecified**

**Capital: Skopje (500.000 residents)**

**84 local units**

**GDP p/c: 4.935 \$**

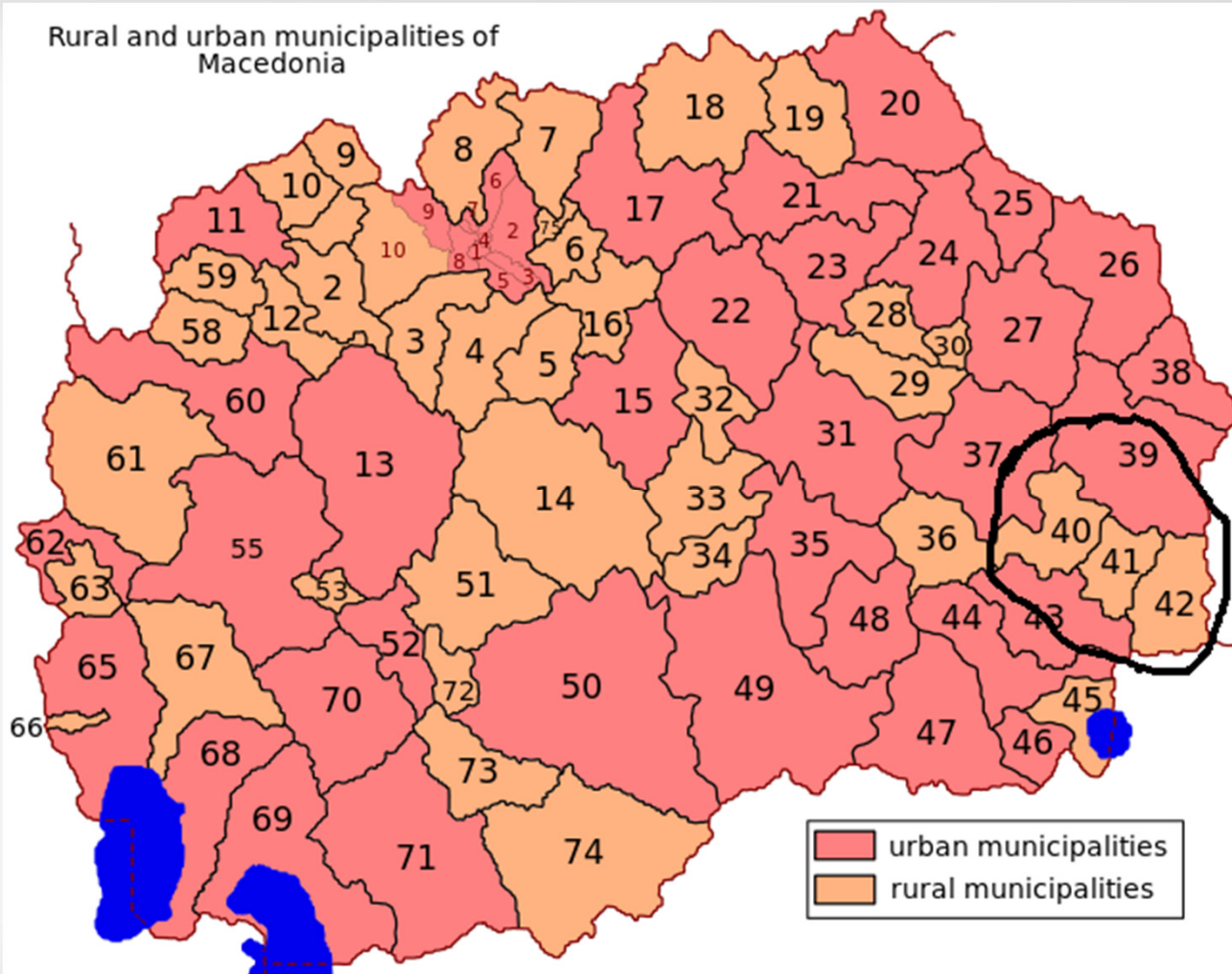
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- Only country which passed the law on IMC (in 2009)
- Previous legislation was not enough (lack of procedures and incentives)
- Manner, conditions and procedures for IMC
- IMC can be proposed by citizens (10% , City council must respond within 90 days)

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- Two ways IMC can be implemented: establishment of IMC bodies or contract
- Central government incentives
- Ministry is submitting annual report on IMC
- No specific institutional forms

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- In 2005 new competences were transferred to local governments
- 3 rural municipalities established joint administration
- Council decisions - agreement
- Agreement – human resources
- Agreement – premises and equipment
- Agreement - finances

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## HUMAN RESOURCES:

- 3 mayors do the monthly work plan
- In each municipality civil servants do different type of work (urban planning, taxes, inspection-supervision ...)
- Each municipality pays salary to the civil servants who are working in partic. municipality

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## BENEFITS:

- Reduced costs (75-80.000€ per municipality saved per month)
- Better quality of service

## SHORTCOMINGS:

- Citizens of partner municipalities were not recognized as partners