

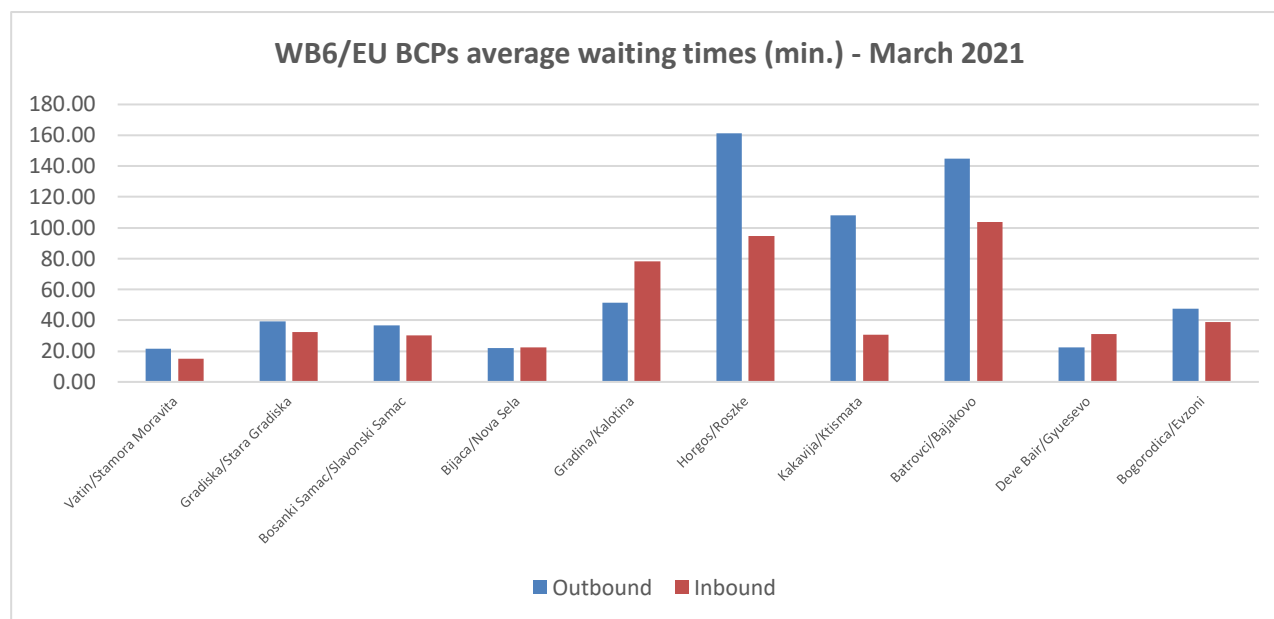
Monitoring waiting time at WB6 - EU borders (March 2021)

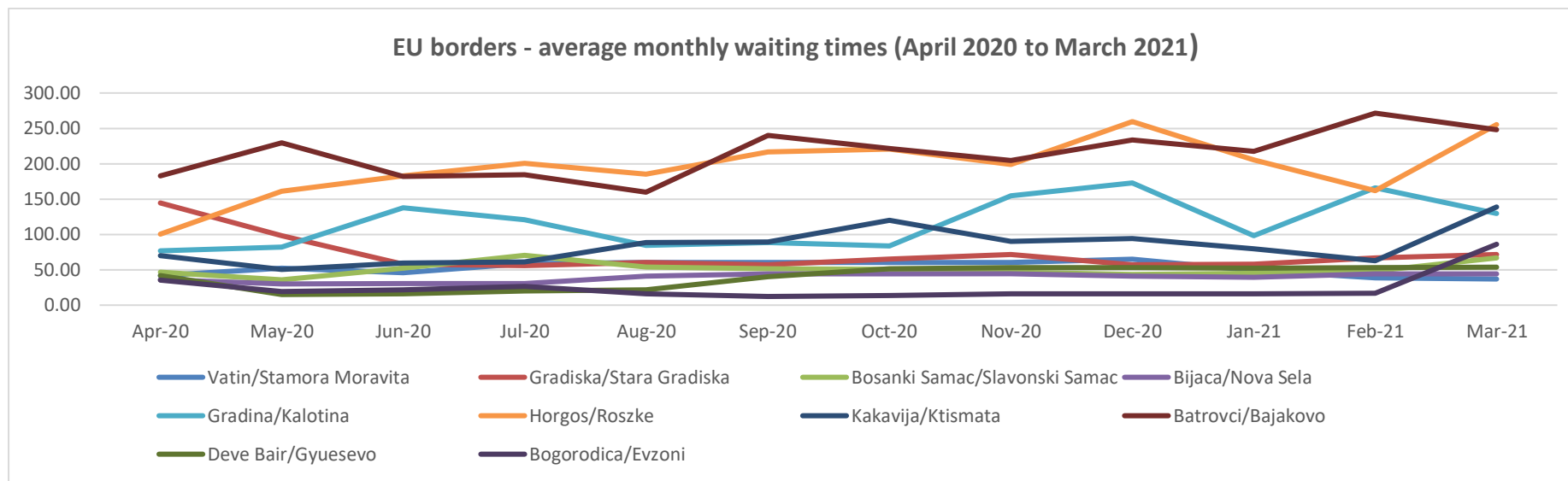
Monthly data and trends

Since the adoption of the Green Corridors/Lanes Joint proposal prepared by TCT Permanent Secretariat and CEFTA Secretariat to facilitate the transport and trade of essential goods within the Western Balkans, TCT Permanent Secretariat has been monitoring the freight transport border waiting times in close cooperation with the relevant authorities and making use of all available information sources.

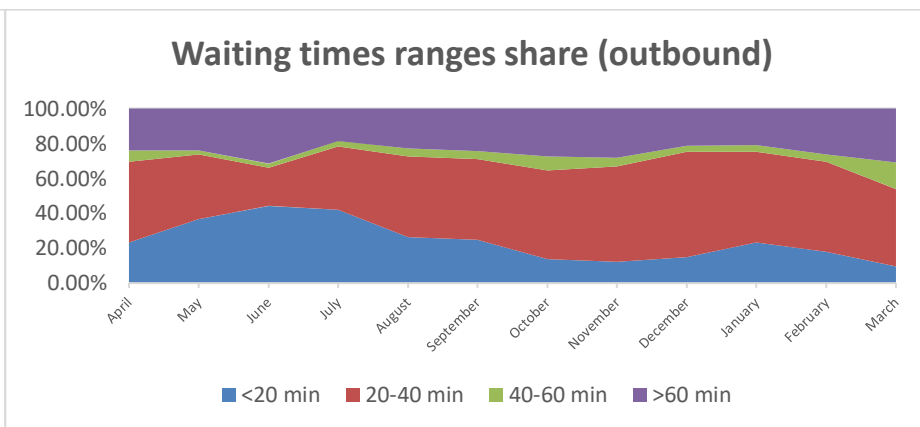
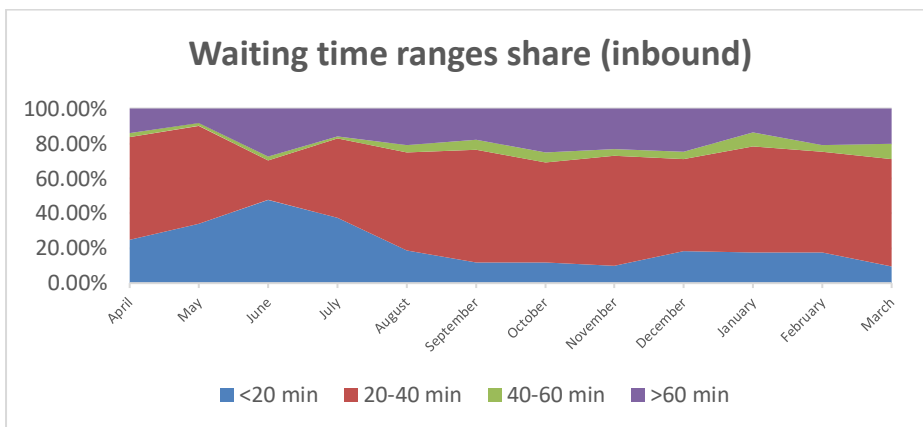
An overall picture of the WB6/EU borders waiting times during the month of March is being provided below.

Border Crossing Point	Average waiting time (March 2021)	
	Outbound	Inbound
Vatin/Stamora Moravita	21.74	15.22
Gradiska/Stara Gradiska	39.13	32.43
Bosanki Samac/Slavonski Samac	36.52	30.00
Bijaca/Nova Sela	22.00	22.35
Gradina/Kalotina	51.52	78.26
Horgos/Roszke	161.09	94.57
Kakavija/Ktismata	108.13	30.65
Batrovci/Bajakovo	144.78	103.70
Deve Bair/Gyuesevo	22.61	31.09
Bogorodica/Evzoni	47.39	38.70





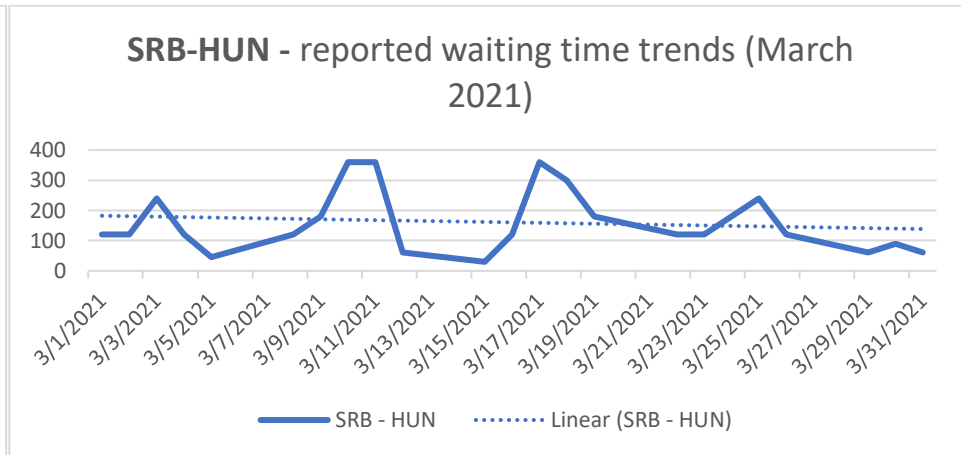
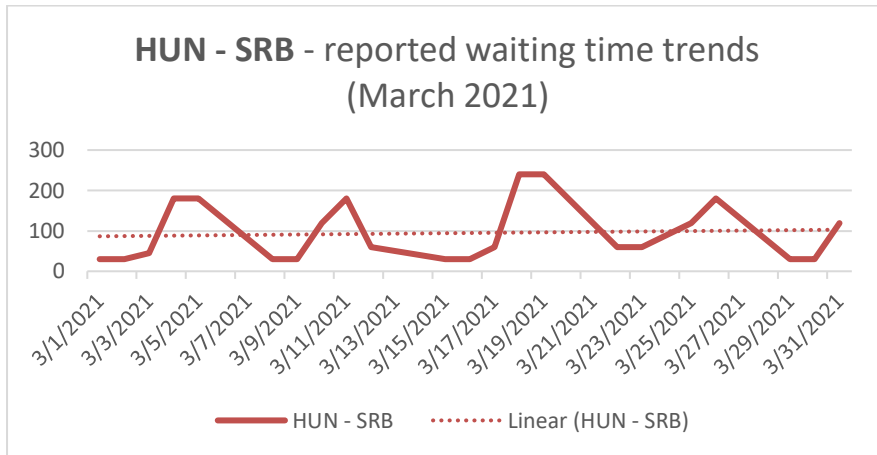
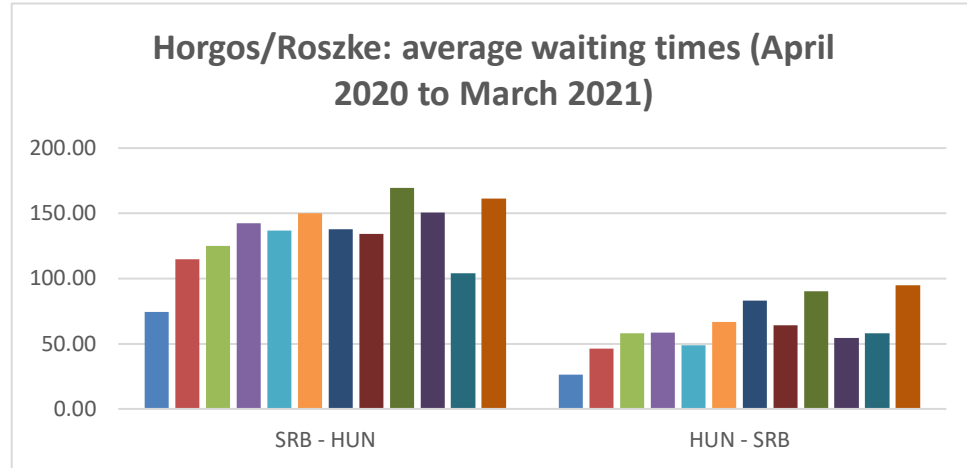
WB6 Internal borders – Inbound/Outbound waiting times distribution range (April 2020 to March 2021)



Additional details on individual Border Crossing Points are being also provided below.

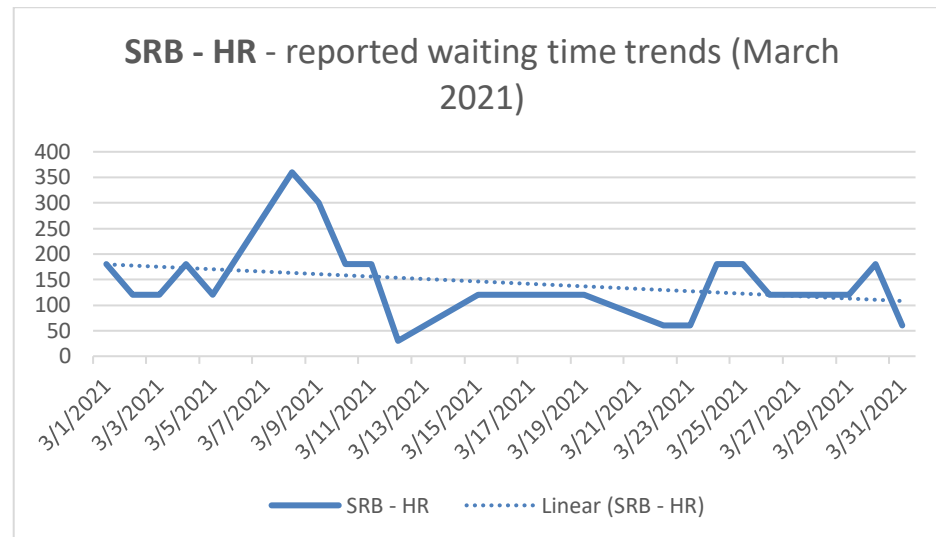
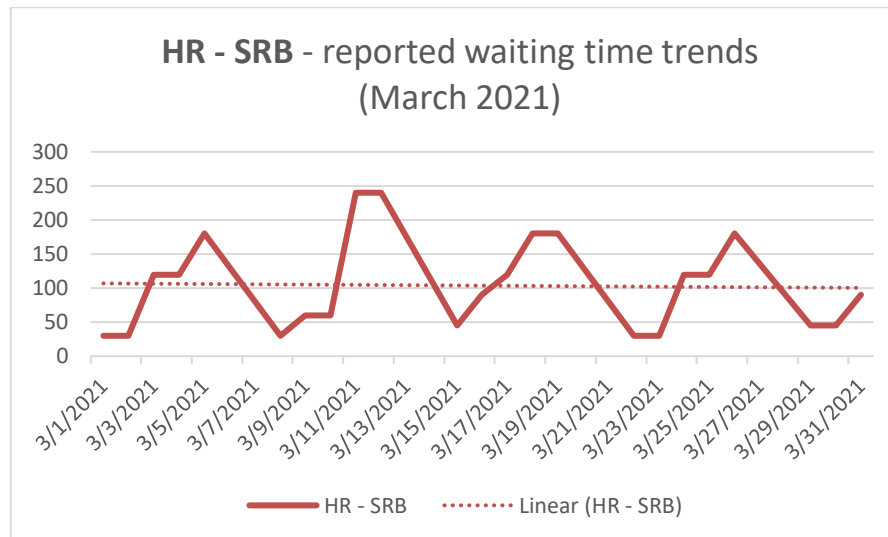
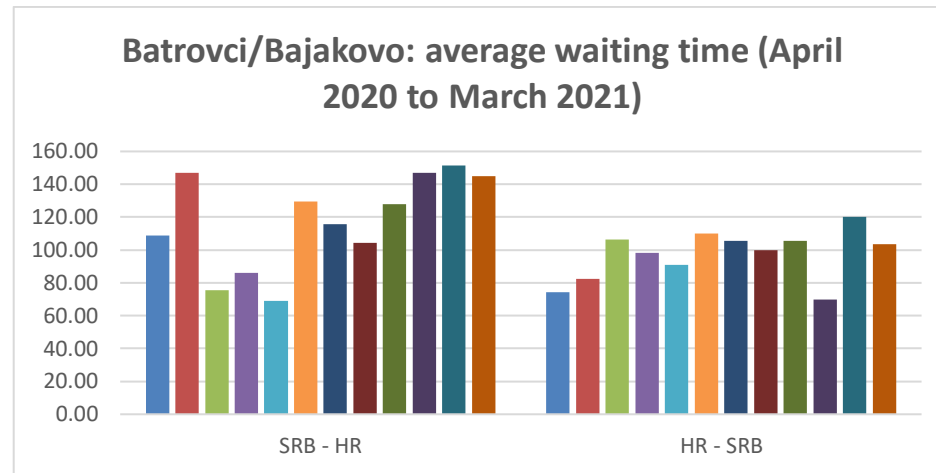
During the month of March, waiting times increased significantly on both directions. From SRB to HUN, the average waiting time came close to the all-time high in December 2020, while on HUN – SRB direction waiting times were the longest recorded since the start of the monitoring exercise. Such evolution was contrasting the February figures that were among the best documented so far.

Daily and weekly variations remained high with occasional peaks on both directions as highlighted by the graphs below.



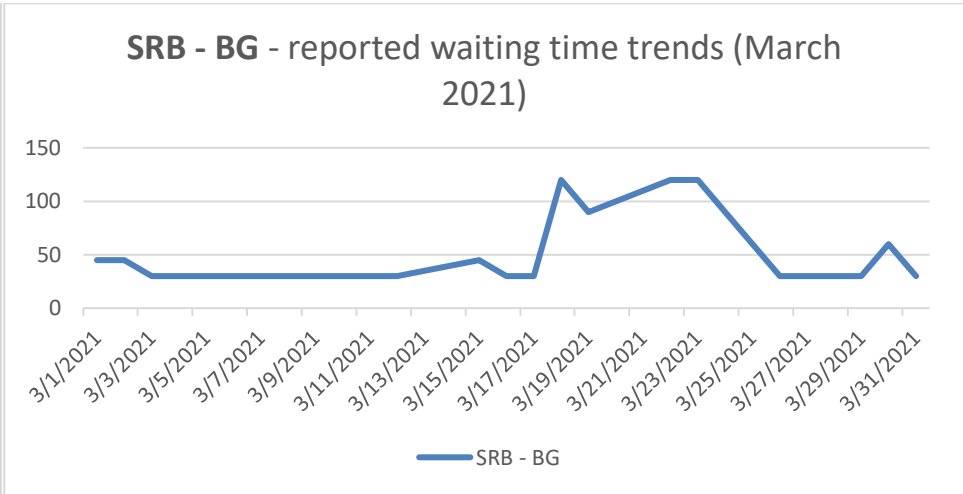
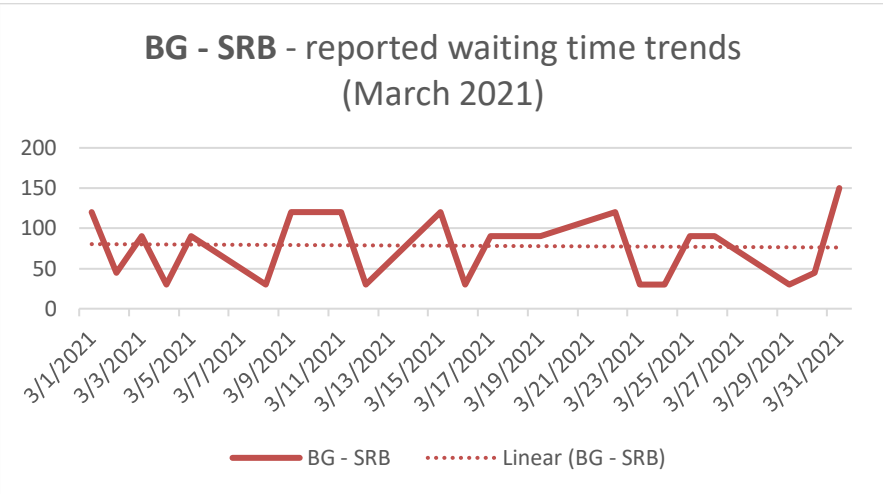
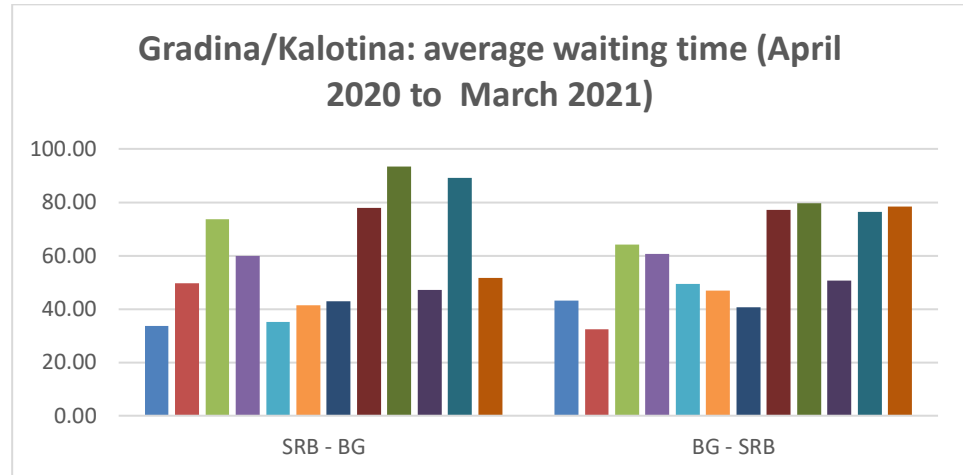
As compared with the month of February, traffic conditions were slightly better in March as waiting times decreased in both directions. Batrovci/Bajakovo remained nevertheless the most crowded of the BCPs under monitoring, with significant waiting times both on inbound and outbound (Horgos/Roszke being usually more crowded towards the EU).

Weekly and daily variations remained high, with a major peak being registered on both directions in the second week of the month.



High degree of impredecitibility in terms of traffic peaks was again confirmed in Gradina/Kalotina, as waiting times decreased dramatically on the SRB-BG direction while slightly increasing on the opposite side.

Weekly variations were also high. On SRB-BG direction waiting times were around 30 minutes for weeks before rising sharply to 120 minutes for one week and further declining steadily till the end of the month.



Situation in the other BCPs under monitoring where the risk of increased waiting times is higher is presented in the graphics below. The sharp increase in both Kakavija/Ktismata and Bogorodica/Evzoni is the direct consequence of the sanitary measures undertaken unilaterally by the Greek authorities in late February.

