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EIB AT A GLANCE



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Bank Group

From clean energy in Estonia to drinking water in Lesotho or a better hospital in Croatia, the European Investment Bank improves millions of lives every year.

As Europe's climate bank, we are helping the world meet the Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals. We pledge to create €1 trillion in investment for the climate over the next decade.

Since 1958, we have provided loans and expert advice for thousands of projects in over 160 countries. We invest in Europe's future by working hand in hand with the European Commission and many other institutions.

As the largest and greenest multilateral lender, we help economies flourish, create jobs and promote equality. We measure our work on how much it helps society because behind each investment is a life made better.



In Rijeka, Croatia, the new Mother and Child hospital is making life easier for 600 000 people. It is backed by a loan from the EIB coupled with advisory support from the EIB and the European Commission.

Our impact in 2019

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| €280 billion | in investment supported by EIB activities |
| €72.2 billion | in EIB Group financing |
| 1 095 | projects signed |
| €50.3 billion | raised on bond markets |
| Over €25 billion | in financing for smaller businesses |
| Over €19 billion | for climate action |
| Over €16 billion | to protect the environment |
| Over €14 billion | to boost innovation |
| 4.4 million | jobs sustained in small businesses |
| 10 million | people drinking safer water |
| 12 million | people receiving better healthcare |
| 7.4 million | households connected to electricity |
| 117 million | people receiving better mobile connections |
| 631 million | additional trips with public transport |
| 1.7 million | people facing reduced flooding risk |
| 5.1 million | m ² of energy efficient buildings |



EIB-backed projects in 2019 will produce 13 177 MW of energy, enough to supply 7.4 million households.

Climate

The climate is the biggest challenge of our generation. It will determine the well-being and life expectancy of our children. Our climate and energy goals are setting new standards in Europe and beyond. In the near future, we will stop supporting fossil fuels and dedicate 50% of our investments to climate action and sustainability.

We help tackle the effects of climate change on vulnerable communities, protecting biodiversity and promoting sustainable farming. We also preserve natural resources and are making the environment a safe place for future generations. We think about the climate in everything we do. Each project we support for innovation, small businesses or infrastructure must meet our climate goals.



With EIB support, the Estonian company Elcogen is bringing efficient and clean fuel cell-based electricity to the mass market.

Innovation

Innovation keeps Europe competitive and creates high-value jobs. The EIB Group enables European companies to originate state-of-the-art technology. We turn cutting-edge ideas into business successes.

The Bank supports large-scale research and development as well as small, specialised firms. Our investments in sectors such as telecommunications, aviation, medicine and digitalisation are a stamp of approval that attracts additional financing from the private sector.

We support many stages of innovation. Thanks to the Bank's loans, universities can build and expand their research facilities, and start-ups can grow their staff and improve their equipment. We nurture the ideas in people's brains that make the world a better place to live.



In Italy, a pioneering project between the EIB and Unicredit supports several hundred innovative businesses led by women.

Inclusion

The Bank offers a wide range of financial products on favourable terms. We lend to the public and private sectors. We empower small businesses and young people. We support women entrepreneurs by giving them access to loans and leadership positions. We make it possible for the low-income parts of the population, the self-employed and microenterprises to get financing and business advice. We make sure that no one is left behind.

The EIB does not lend more than half of the cost of a project. This way, we act as a catalyst to get the private sector more involved, increasing the level of investment for projects. We also offer technical assistance to make sure a project is a success.



An EIB development project in Lesotho, Africa, is bringing clean drinking water and sanitation to 300 000 people in many parts of the lowlands.

Sustainability

The EIB raises money by issuing bonds on international capital markets. Our excellent credit rating allows us to raise funds at good rates. We pass on these benefits to clients.

Our capital market experts created and developed the green and sustainable bond market. We are now the largest supranational issuer of green bonds. These bonds support renewable energy, energy efficiency, clean water and sanitation. We make sustainable finance work.

Commitment

We are transparent and accountable for all our activities. Our high environmental and social standards make us an excellent partner. We have a highly qualified, committed and diverse staff of economists, engineers, financial analysts and climate specialists who work daily with local experts, institutions and governments around the globe.

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The EIB Group consists of the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the European Investment Fund (EIF).

The EIB is the European Union's bank. It is the world's largest multilateral borrower and lender. Based in Luxembourg, the EIB has a large network of local and regional offices in Europe and beyond.

The EIF supports small businesses by improving their access to finance in Europe and in a number of countries outside Europe. The EIF designs and develops venture and growth capital, guarantees and microfinance instruments to promote innovation and employment.

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