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# EIB GROUP

a sustainable institution

#### A holistic approach

We **support** projects that contribute to **sustainable growth** and **employment in Europe** and **beyond**.

# With that in mind, we:

invest in four primary areas:

- SMEs
- innovation
- infrastructure
- environment

promote **economic** and **social cohesion** throughout **all our activities** 

finance climate change action in and outside the European Union

The Treaty on
European Union
establishes an interna

focus our impact where it is needed

## **Integrating sustainability**

We only finance projects that pass our financial and sustainability due diligence We assess all investment projects with respect to their environmental, social and governance aspects

We **refuse** to finance

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We request that projects meet EIB environmental and social standards 3

We perform a separate economic appraisal of a project's costs and benefits to society



#### Our commitment to climate

Our economic appraisal takes account of all resources used by the project, often using shadow prices, including for carbon emissions

Commit to invest 2 1 0 0 bn in climate action over five years (2015-2020)





Below 2° Celsius Mobilise the **financial power** needed to tackle global warming

#### Sustainable borrowing

Continuing to play our **leading role** in the **development** of **green finance**:

In **2007** the EIB issued Climate Awareness Bonds, the world's first green bonds.

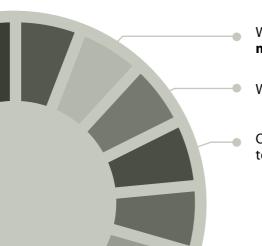


Using all proceeds from our bond offerings to finance sustainability projects

Sustainability Awareness Bond, created in 2018, the proceeds of which will be used for water investments.



# Guided by the Sustainable **Development Goals**



We help countries leverage public money to attract private investments

We provide technical assistance



Our financing acts as a catalyst to achieve the **UN goals** 



#### Valuing openness

**Transparency**:





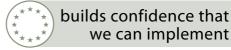
the **effectiveness** and **sustainability** of the projects we finance





strengthens our credibility with

**EU citizens** 





## **Engaging stakeholders**



# Discussions stakeholders are held

at the **Board** level, at the **policy** level, and at the **project** level

# This dialogue helps us to

improve public knowledge and build trust, in addition to improving our policies and our understanding of local issues

#### **Accountability**



#### Zero tolerance

We will not tolerate corruption, fraud, money laundering or terrorism financing



Independent evaluations assess whether our activities are in line with mandates and identify areas of improvement

#### A 2-tier grievance mechanism

The EIB Group Complaints Mechanism gives citizens a means of recourse

If they are not satisfied with the outcome of the process, citizens can go to the **European Ombudsman**.

#### **Commitment to compliance**

The **independent EIB Group** compliance function ensures that

the **highest standards** of **integrity** 

are applied to all the Bank's activities

A **robust framework**addresses compliance risks

#### International initiatives

**exert pressure** for all parties to **respect international norms** 



#### The compliance function



promotes a corporate culture based on ethics and professional conduct

## Our own footprint

Minimising

the **EIB Group's** 

environmental impact

Tracking our

environmental

performance

Reducing

the carbon footprint of our internal operations

Compensating for our carbon emissions

We are

certified under ISO 14001, the international standard for an effective environmental management system, and EMAS-validated

## Community engagement /





#### The **EIB Institute** helps

the EIB Group engage with

## citizens ? communities



The **institute** was set up to **support social**, **cultural** 

and academic initiatives

with European stakeholders and the public at large

#### **Employer of choice**



Our staff ensures that we deliver on our mission to **foster** 

sustainable growth

in and outside the EU

We offer a **diverse**, **multicultural** working environment that attracts highly skilled professionals

We promote

diversity a inclusion

