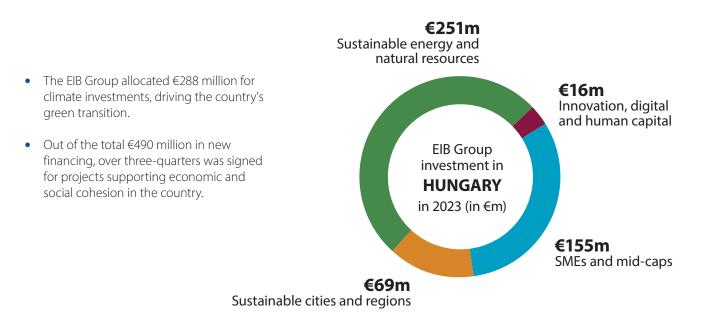


# **EIB Group activity in HUNGARY** in 2023



The European Investment Bank Group (EIB Group), comprising the European Investment Bank (EIB) and its subsidiary, the European Investment Fund (EIF), supported Hungary's economy with €490 million in new loans and guarantee commitments in 2023. Last year, the EIB's engagement in the country included financing for agriculture, industry and infrastructure, and support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and mid-caps. Nearly two-thirds of total financing signed across these sectors supported climate action and environmental sustainability.



## Prioritising climate action and sustainability Projects signed by the EIB Group amounted to €288 million

## Investment in renewable energy

#### Addressing environmental challenges and promoting sustainable initiatives

The EU climate bank signed an agreement with the Hungarian Development Bank, committing €100 million in support of energy efficiency investments and renewable energy projects. This strategic collaboration reinforces the ElB's commitment to addressing environmental challenges and promoting sustainable initiatives. In addition, the ElB extended support for the energy-efficient renovation of residential buildings and the implementation of domestic renewable energy systems. The operation, carried out under Hungary's Home Renovation Programme, focuses on promoting energy-saving investments in homes. The additional  $\in$ 50 million funding supplements a previous ElB loan and facilitates various types of energy-efficient renovations and upgrades. The ElB provided backing for rooftop photovoltaic installations in Hungary to accelerate the energy transition, strengthen power supply security, and boost climate action. The contribution of  $\in$ 48 million, facilitated through two operations, significantly bolsters the country's commitment to investing in renewable energy. The Bank also provided backing for a  $\in$ 40 million loan to SG Equipment Finance Hungary (SGEF HU) to offer new financing for SMEs and mid-caps primarily engaged in the industry and services sector, with a focus on green investments.

EIB financing Projects signed amounted to €447 million





## **Green loan fuels sustainable farming**

A €200 million framework loan agreement, co-financing the Hungarian Rural Development Programme managed by the Ministry of Agriculture, is set to boost sustainable development in farming, food production and rural areas. Supporting small businesses in the agriculture sector, the project eliminates the financial constraints usually faced by these businesses. Furthermore, it promotes rural development with diverse investments, including basic infrastructure and services, contributing to the protection of natural resources. The green loan underscores the ElB's continued efforts to drive positive change, contribute to rural development and enhance sustainable living spaces.



#### **European Investment Fund**

The amount committed in support of Hungarian businesses in 2023







Overall EIB Group achievements in 2023	
Total EIB Group financing €87.85 billion	EIB financing €75.14 billion
SMEs and mid-caps €19.96 billion	Sustainable energy and natural resources €26.80 billion
Innovation, digital and human capital € <b>19.76 billion</b>	European Investment Fund €14.91 billion

#### **PRESS CONTACTS**

Anna Bugarova +421 911 571 567 a.bugarova@ext.eib.org

### GENERAL CONTACTS

European Investment Bank 98-100 boulevard Konrad Adenauer L-2950 Luxembourg EIB Group Office in Budapest Széchenyi István tér 7-8 1051 Budapest +36 18036277 budapest@eib.org Press Secretariat +352 4379-1 +352 4379-61000 press@eib.org www.eib.org/press

Information Desk +352 4379-1 +352 4379-62000 info@eib.org – www.eib.org