The EU bank at a glance

What is the EIB?

The European Investment Bank is the **bank of the European Union**, owned by the EU Member States. We are the world’s largest multilateral borrower and lender. We provide finance and expertise for **sustainable investment projects** that make a strong, inspiring impact on people’s lives, contributing to EU policy objectives in Europe and beyond.

60 years in numbers

Since the EIB’s inception in 1958, we have:

- **Invested over EUR 1.1 trillion**
- **Financed 11,800 projects**
- **… in more than 160 countries**

Our project cycle

1. **Proposal**
2. **Appraisal**
3. **Approval**
4. **Signature**
5. **Disbursement**
6. **Monitoring and reporting**
7. **Repayment**

EIB project cycle

- Financial
- Economic
- Social
- Environmental
- And technical assessment

EIB Management Committee
- Investment Committee (for operations potentially benefiting from an EU guarantee under EFSI)
- EIB Board of Directors

Our activity

- **90%**
- **10%**
  - Europe
  - Rest of the world

Our priorities

- Innovation and skills
- Small and medium-sized enterprises
- Infrastructure
- Climate and environment

Our offer

- **Lending**
  - We borrow at good rates and pass the cost advantage on to economically viable projects.
- **Blending**
  - Our tools help clients blend our financing with additional sources of investment.
- **Advising**
  - Companies and public authorities can call on our financial and technical expertise.

Our impact

By 2020, overall **investment approved by the EIB Group within the EU** in 2015-2016 will:

- support EUR 544 billion of investment
- add 2.3% to GDP
- add 2.25 million jobs