



UNDP-EIB Indicative Joint Action Plan for 2020-2021

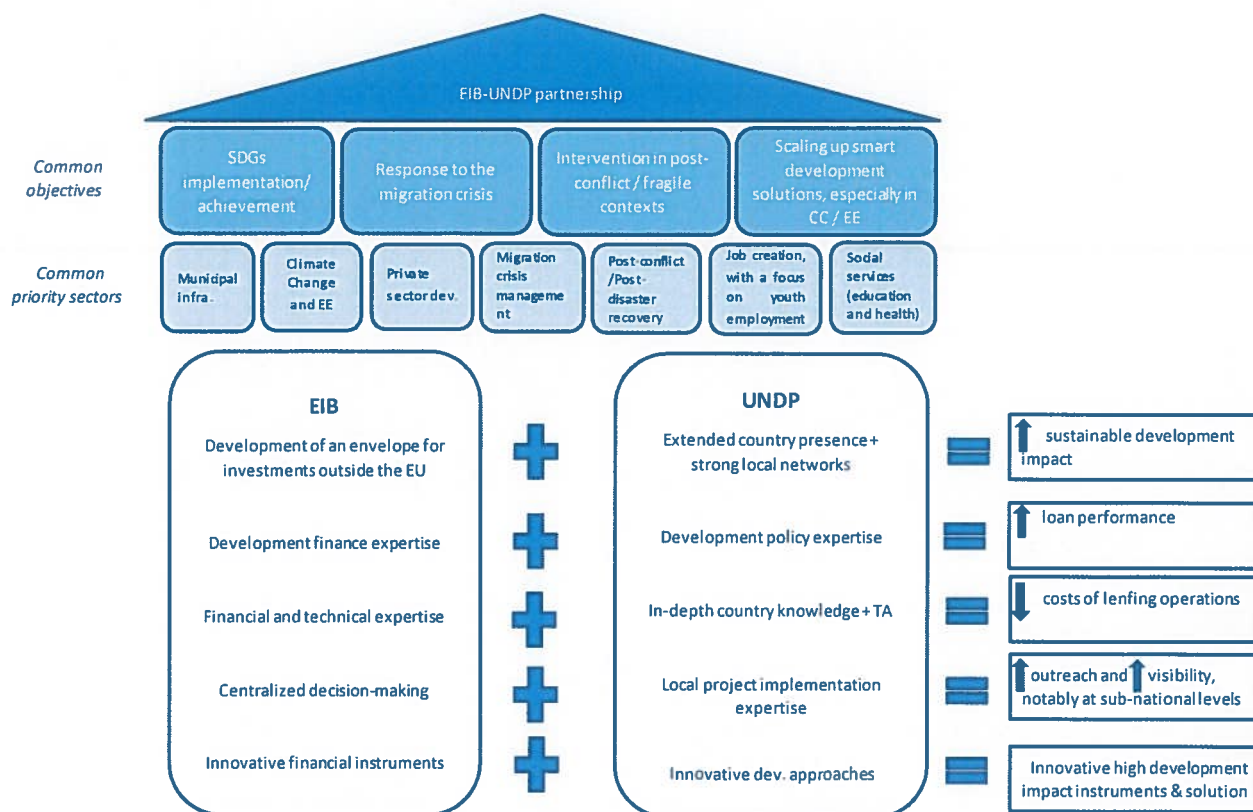
Context and background

The European Investment Bank Group (EIB Group) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) are committed to implementing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and delivering on the Paris Agreement climate goals, which require leveraging all sources of finance and expertise, domestic and international, complementing each other.

The signature of the EIB-UNDP Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) took place in October 2016 in Washington DC. The signature was organized ahead of the signature of a large service contract between EIB and UNDP in the framework of the Ukraine Recovery Program, where EIB provides a EUR 200m loan, UNDP being granted EUR 3m to support implementation in particular in the Donbass and other remote areas.

The EIB-UNDP MoU aims to foster policy analysis, knowledge-sharing and cross-institutional learning. In the framework of the Agenda 2030, which sets the overall policy objectives of the partnership, both institutions affirm their interest in collaborating in key policy areas:

- Responding to Climate Change
- Responding to Crisis and Post-Crisis Situations
- Responding to the Migration
- Tackling inequalities and sustainable development that leaves no one behind



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The matrix hereafter outlines priority initiatives for 2020-2021. The Indicative Joint Action Plan remains a “living” document against which the focal points will organize regular annual calls to review progress and report to respective institutions on progress achieved.

| Proposed areas for cooperation in 2020-2021 | |
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| Thematic cooperation | Climate & Energy: GCF cooperation under discussion (Serbia, Guinea, Bosnia-Herzegovina), Energy Efficiency (EE) operations under preparation (Ukraine & Moldova), UNDP support to countries strengthen their Nationally-Determined Contributions (NDCs) to be linked to EIB climate targets |
| | Post Natural Disaster Programme Loan: possible cooperation in post natural disaster contexts in order to swiftly contribute to recovery efforts |
| | EIB SDG Awareness Bonds & UNDP SDG Impact: cooperation to be explored |
| | Gender: gender seal, gender mainstreaming: cooperation to be further explored (beyond the Gender event under preparation) |
| | Migration challenge: collaboration opportunities to be explored in Q3 2020 |

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| Institutional relationship | <p>Knowledge exchange: Seek opportunities to develop staff awareness of the two institutions, including via delegation visits and staff exchanges:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EIB training to UNDP Country Offices in 2019 to be repeated in 2020 with government representatives (TBD) - Staff exchange: UNDP conflict awareness expert vs. EIB blended finance expert |
| | <p>Operational modus operandi: Progress on operational, legal or other bottlenecks, when necessary, to facilitate cooperation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Enabling the finalization of a procedural framework for cooperation - Contracting modalities to be clarified |
| | <p>Institutional dialogue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintain strategy and policy dialogue, for example on the sidelines of joint attendance events such as the WB/IMF Annual Meetings - Managing the partnership: focal points/ reporting/ regular managerial meetings - Internal and external communication |
| | <p>Joint resource mobilization: Jointly approach key donors (the EC, EU Member States, vertical funds such as the GEF and the GCF) to leverage grants to support the implementation of the Indicative Joint Action Plan priorities</p> |
| Events | <p>Jointly organized events. Continue to assess and grasp opportunities for organizing joint-events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EIB-UNDP Gender event in May/June 2020 in Luxembourg (TBC) - Joint events to be considered at EDDs, HLPF, UNGA |
| | <p>Participation in each other's events. Regularly looking for opportunities to invite each other to key events as a way to increase institutional cooperation and knowledge sharing.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNDP innovation days (in Istanbul, in Harare, etc.) - UNDP capacity building days for emerging donors - UNDP yearly regional consultations (Eastern Europe, Western Balkans, other TBD) - UNDP regional event on climate finance - Annual EIB-EAST Conference, in collaboration with UNDP on July 2nd 2020 in Kyiv, Ukraine - EIB 2021 donors conference - EIB SDG days |

| Country level cooperation | |
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| Armenia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Border Management (Armenia-Georgia): completed - Yerevan EE: GCF cooperation under implementation - Meghri Border Management (Armenia-Iran): EBRD lead, potential cooperation modalities will be analysed |
| Ukraine | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TA to support the Early recovery programme: EPTATF TA + TA extension (EUD funded): under implementation - Ukraine EE in public buildings programme: potential cooperation modalities are currently being discussed |
| Serbia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Serbia irrigation/ GCF: potential concept to be analysed |
| Moldova | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - EE programme: potential cooperation modalities will be analysed |
| Bosnia-Herzegovina | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GCF flooding: potential cooperation modalities will be analysed |
| Lebanon | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Potential cooperation modalities will be analysed (e.g. transport) |
| Guinea | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GCF cooperation: Adaption to Climate change (Resilience of Coastal rural areas) |
| Montenegro | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Framework loan, local development |
| Albania | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Local development, support to SMEs |
| Egypt | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Environment |
| Uzbekistan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Economic development of the Aral Sea region, Financing for Development (FfD) |
| Kazakhstan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Potential cooperation modalities will be analysed |
| Sao Tome and Principe | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coastal areas infrastructure |
| Burkina Faso | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Energy |

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