



## *The increasing importance of equity funds in ACP economies*

**Wednesday 22 June 13h00-16h00**

**EIB Brussels office, 6 Rond-Point SCHUMAN - 1040 Brussels**

### Programme

12h30-13h00 Registration – Sandwich lunch

13h00-13h30 Opening remarks

**Clare DENVIR**

Policy Officer, Office of the EIB Permanent Representative in Brussels,  
European Investment Bank

### Equity Funds in the ACP countries

**Jesper PERSSON**

Head of Equity Unit, European Investment Bank

13h30-14h30 Project examples

**Antoine DELAPORTE**, Founder and Managing Director, Adenia Partners

### **ADENIA PARTNERS**

The EIB is developing a relationship with Adenia Partners, who put together funds to invest in companies in sub-Saharan Africa with a view to helping them prosper through financing and advice. Adenia Partners target a range of sectors, including agribusiness, manufacturing, financial services and ICT, amongst others.

**Yolande TABO**, Executive: Fundraising & Investors Relations, Convergence Partners  
(Video Conference)

### **CONVERGENCE ICT FUND**

The EIB invested USD 25m in the Convergence ICT Fund, a closed-end private equity fund established for the purpose of investing in information and communication infrastructure projects and ancillary businesses in Africa, with primary focus on Sub-Saharan Africa.

**Douglas HEWSON**, Managing Partner, Portland Private Equity

### **AIC CARIBBEAN FUND**

The EIB joined the AIC Caribbean Fund with an equity investment of USD 45m. The fund has helped establish leading companies in the Caribbean region in areas like telecommunications, energy, renewable energy, and financial services.

14h30-15h00 Q&A session

15h00-15h15 Closing remarks

**Jesper PERSSON**, Moderator

Head of Equity Unit, European Investment Bank

15h15-16h00 Networking Coffee

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