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The EIB Institute was set up within the EIB Group (European Investment Bank and European Investment Fund) to promote and support social, cultural, and academic initiatives with European stakeholders and the public at large. It is a key pillar of the EIB Group's community and citizenship engagement.



PROMOTING SOCIAL COHESION

The Institute **supports social innovation** and entrepreneurs who aim to generate a societal impact (social, ethical or environmental).

To foster regional development through social innovation, we launched the first Regional Social Innovation Incubator, IRIS, a pilot incubator in Northern Portugal.

We organise training sessions for social entrepreneurs as well as seminars and conferences. Our events contribute to discussions on innovative solutions for social issues, inequality or impact investing, or microfinance.

SOCIAL

Every year, innovative social entrepreneurs from all over Europe compete in the **Social Innovation Tournament** (SIT). Since 2012, the SIT has rewarded and supported more than 120 high impact ventures who benefit from mentoring and training programmes, networking, visibility and improved access to financing opportunities.



We make grants for disaster relief and organise donations of second-hand EIB IT equipment.

We support **microfinance** and **financial education initiatives**.





ENHANCING KNOWLEDGE



The EIB Institute **supports research activities and higher education**, acquiring and sharing knowledge.

Through grants (EIBURS for universities and research centres, STAREBEI for young researchers) or students' consultancy projects (Capstone) we sponsor the acquisition of new knowledge in areas required by the EIB Group.

KNOWLEDGE



EIB 
Summer School

IN FOCUS

The **EIB Summer School** is a 10-day programme for graduate students to learn about the role and activities of the EIB Group. EIB Group staff lecturers offer first-hand insights about the world's largest multilateral lender and issuer that cannot be found in academic textbooks.

With the **organisation of courses** in many European universities, **study visits and seminars** at the EIB and support for **scientific conferences**, we contribute to the formation of potential new European leaders and stimulate new thinking inside and beyond the EIB Group.



ARTS & CULTURE: ACCELERATING TALENT

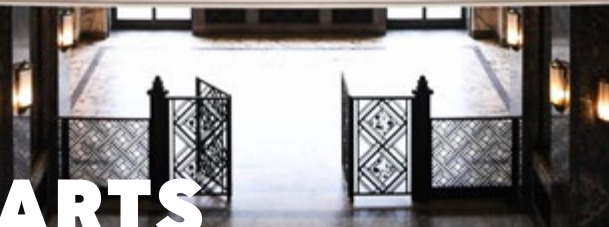


The EIB Institute **supports artistic and cultural initiatives**, promoting contemporary art and creation.

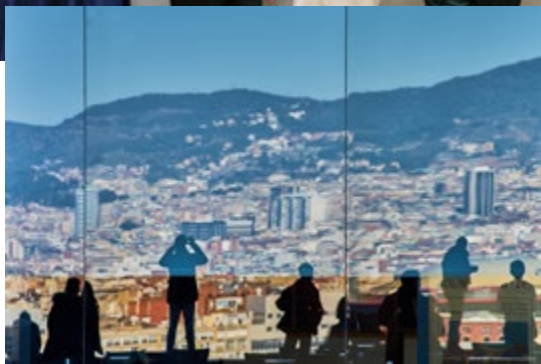
To leverage the EIB art collection, the Institute regularly organises exhibitions tackling societal and topical issues. We also welcome **European budding artists** for residencies.

We **promote staff engagement** via “Behind the Lens”, an annual EIB Group staff photo competition, and external cultural outings.

We **safeguard cultural heritage**, combining the cultural expertise and lobbying work of Europa Nostra the leading heritage organisation in Europe, with the technical appraisal and rescue planning skills of the EIB.



ARTS



Artists Development
Programme

IN FOCUS

The **Artists Development Programme**, a mentoring/residency programme in Luxembourg, yearly welcomes emerging artists, facilitating them in the production of artworks and the development of their portfolio under the guidance of an established mentor, currently Finnish artist Jorma Puranen.



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