EIB GLOBAL

PARTNERSHIPS

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IMPACT
BILLIONS OF PEOPLE FACE BIG CHALLENGES EVERYWHERE. EVERY DAY.

EIB GLOBAL HAS THE SKILLS AND EXPERTISE TO MAKE THEIR LIVES BETTER.

As part of the European Investment Bank, EIB Global offers a broad toolbox of financial assistance and technical advice. We help lift economies and improve societies in areas around the world that need the most help. Our work complements high-priority European Union programmes such as the Global Gateway and the Green Deal.

We offer lending to cities and companies of all sizes. We provide loan guarantees, advisory assistance, technical expertise and knowledge sharing that is enriched by close relationships with EU delegations and development institutions everywhere.

During crises, EIB Global responds quickly. In Ukraine, we provided immediate funds and technical assistance after the Russian invasion. Our work during the COVID-19 pandemic helped fund new vaccines, improve testing equipment and boost healthcare supplies around the world.

What is EIB Global?

EIB Global is the arm of the European Investment Bank that works beyond the European Union. Launched in January 2022, it supports climate action, economic growth and development.

The great challenges of today are global — poverty, energy shortages, pollution, lack of clean water and sanitation, flooding, drought and extreme weather events. We created EIB Global to fight these challenges and increase the impact of limited development money. We are guided by the targets of the Paris Agreement on climate change and the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

We are the main financing arm of Team Europe, which combines the firepower of the European Investment Bank, EU Member States, and other investment institutions working in concert with the European Union. In 2022, EIB Global’s investments amounted to €10.8 billion, including €1.7 billion of repurposed loans to help Ukraine. In the future, we will invest around €10 billion a year outside the European Union to help cities, regions and companies, especially small firms and businesses run by women.

Nearly half our work in 2022 supported climate action and environmental sustainability. Some 47% of our investments helped least-developed and fragile states. Nearly 25% of our financing improved gender equality.

When people can obtain credit, businesses employ more workers, women become independent, migration is reduced, and households work their way out of poverty.
Standing out from the crowd

EIB Global is unique because it is backed by the European Union, 27 Member States and the European Investment Bank Group. The EIB is the largest climate investor and one of the biggest development banks in the world. Clients that work with us receive some of the most flexible and competitive financing terms on the market.

We are a leader in many key sectors. In water projects, no one invests more than the EIB. Our financing succeeds because our teams of engineers, project designers and loan officers review every signature to make sure the projects help society and fight climate change.

We set high standards in the areas of democracy, equality, the rule of law and human rights. These are the founding values of the European Union. We make sure these values are respected in all our deals. We specialise in sharing knowledge and building mutually beneficial partnerships. The value of these partnerships can be seen in the Bank’s nearly 65-year history of successful investments and its AAA credit rating.

Being a good neighbour

Ukraine
More than €2 billion in loans and grants since the start of the war. We have worked in many parts of the war-damaged country before and during the Russian invasion to fix electricity and gas lines, repair community centres, modernise heating and water supplies, repair railways, install temporary bridges, and improve healthcare and housing for people forced to flee their homes. Since 2014, after Russia occupied eastern Ukraine and annexed Crimea, we have been working to complete even more projects essential for daily life in Ukraine. Many of these investments have been destroyed by the war, but we will rebuild again.

COVID-19 pandemic
More than €1.5 billion towards vaccine distribution and production. We contributed to vaccine programmes such as COVAX that are assisting children and adults in the world’s poorest countries. We helped the Institut Pasteur de Dakar develop a manufacturing plant to distribute vaccines across Africa. Team Europe has committed more than €3 billion to increase the world’s supply of COVID-19 vaccines.

Global Gateway
We are a key part of the European Commission’s Global Gateway programme, which will mobilise €300 billion between 2021 and 2027 to improve the way we connect and work with each other around the world. It will invest in digital technology, transport, health and education. The programme will focus on physical projects that improve fibre-optic cables and internet connections, build better road and train networks to improve transport and trade among countries, and offer more efficient electricity transmissions. One recent project is the €550 million loan to improve rail connections in landlocked Serbia and make it easier for people and cargo to reach Hungary and Greece. Another project will help landlocked Chad do business across the region by improving nearly 300 kilometres of roads near the Cameroon border.

EIB Global is building stronger ties in Africa, Asia and Latin America, but also in areas closer to home, such as more than a dozen eastern and southern neighbours and EU candidate countries.

We are the leading lender to small businesses in the Western Balkans, helping nearly 30 000 companies and sustaining half a million jobs. More than 1 800 schools in Serbia have faster internet connections and better digital equipment thanks to our financing. In Belarus, Moldova, Azerbaijan, Armenia and Georgia, we build better infrastructure and invest in digital innovation to help communities ease their dependence on gas or
coal. We are making metro lines more reliable in Egypt, improving higher education in Morocco, widening renewable electricity production in Palestine and adding to the supply of fresh water in Georgia.

**Women’s economic empowerment**

Women in Argentina avoid poor conditions as trash sorters in rubbish dumps, because we help them train for better jobs. In India, women can use metro carriages reserved for them, so they feel safe travelling to get better education or employment. We finance safe irrigation in rural Cambodia, so women no longer have to make hard daily treks to find a clean river or pond.

**Recent investment projects**

- **Moldova** — A nearly €300 million loan and grant package to help with economic and social consequences of the war in Ukraine. Funding has also helped possible accession to the European Union and improved transport, energy and healthcare.
- **Morocco** — €200 million to make railways safer and able to carry more passengers. A new €50 million railway loan is planned for 2023.
- **Caribbean** — €150 million for better drinking water, wastewater treatment and stormwater management.
- **Senegal** — €75 million to help the Institut Pasteur de Dakar develop a vaccine manufacturing facility.
- **Brazil** — €200 million for renewable-energy projects, such as a wind park and solar power plant.
- **Montenegro** — A loan and grant worth €21 million to build schools, increase the number of teachers, ease overcrowding in classrooms and give youngsters more technical skills.

**Going local**

EIB Global has a clear strategy: Make a bigger impact by bringing the Bank closer to local people, companies and institutions. We do this by working with more partners on the ground. Our new regional hubs improve the quality of investments, speed up project appraisals, and disburse financing faster. The hubs enable us to do more work in climate action, sustainable cities, digital technology, education, gender equality and healthcare. Our first hub opened in Nairobi, Kenya. Five more hubs are planned in Côte d’Ivoire, Serbia, Egypt, Ukraine, and South Africa.

Nearly 350 people work for EIB Global in Luxembourg and in 29 offices outside the European Union, with support from several thousand EIB staff members.

**Billions into trillions**

The current crises require that the billions invested each year by EIB Global and other development institutions turn into trillions this decade. This can be accomplished by setting up new partnerships, working with more global organisations, and getting the private sector more involved. Developing countries alone need more than €2 trillion annually in extra investment to fight climate change and meet the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

We will be there every step of the way to meet these critical needs. We will show how development lending and good advice accelerate growth, make rural areas more prosperous, make cities more innovative and strengthen economies. Creating a brighter future for the planet.