

# EMAS Environmental Policy

The European Investment Bank Group – comprising the European Investment Bank (EIB) and European Investment Fund (EIF) – has a clear mission: to enable **sustainable growth** in the European Union and beyond. We are a **global leader in sustainable finance** and adhere to the high sustainability standards set out in the [EIB Group Environmental and Social Policy](#) when providing financing and advisory services.

We are also committed to leading by example when it comes to the **environmental impact of the internal business activities** that support our core business. That is why we have implemented an environmental management system in accordance with the **Eco Management and Audit Scheme (EMAS)**.<sup>1</sup> In 2018 we completed our first EMAS registration, for our head office building. We are continually working to extend our EMAS registration to further sites.

Under EMAS, we commit to **protecting the environment**, including through the **prevention and control of pollution** of the air, water and soil, and to fulfilling our environmental compliance obligations. We also seek to **continually improve our environmental performance and management system**. We encourage our **stakeholders**, including our staff, to join us in our efforts.

The EMAS Environmental Policy serves as our **guiding framework**, allowing us to set **specific objectives, targets and actions for day-to-day activities at EIB Group locations**. Progress is reported under the established **EMAS governance structure** and disclosed publicly on an annual basis.

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<sup>1</sup> **Regulation** (EC) No 1221/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the voluntary participation by organisations in a Community eco-management and audit scheme (EMAS), as amended from time to time.

Recognising our key environmental impacts, we aim to:

<b>Climate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce our greenhouse gas emissions in a manner consistent with the ambitions of the <a href="#">European Union's climate goals</a></li> <li>• Promote energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy</li> <li>• Mitigate the effects of climate change beyond our own value chain, for instance through the purchase of high-quality carbon credits</li> </ul>
<b>Biodiversity and natural resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainably manage the natural resources we need, such as water, food and raw materials</li> <li>• Prevent and minimise the generation of waste and the release of harmful substances</li> <li>• Protect biodiversity</li> </ul>
<b>Procurement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Embed environmental, circularity and life cycle considerations in the selection of the goods, works and services procured for our own account, where feasible</li> </ul>
<b>Supply Chain</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support the transition of our supply chain to a lower-carbon and environmentally responsible business model</li> </ul>
<b>Stakeholders</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manage risks from environmental, health or safety hazards for employees and others in the vicinity of our internal operations</li> <li>• Raise the environmental awareness, skillset and level of involvement of our employees and contractors in reducing our environmental impact</li> <li>• Continually assess and remain transparent and open to dialogue about our environmental issues, impacts and performance</li> </ul>

This policy is an update of the EMAS environmental policy first published in 2017, and is subject to periodic review. The EIB Group will actively communicate this policy statement to its staff, suppliers and contractors concerned. The policy is also available to the public on the EIB Group website.

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