

EIB investment in digitalisation outside the EU

Brussels, Thursday 14 September 2017

Venue: EIB Brussels office
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12:30 – 13:00	Registration – Sandwich lunch
13:00 – 13:30	<p>Opening remarks</p> <p>Mikolaj Dowgielewicz, Permanent Representative of the EIB in Brussels, European Investment Bank</p> <p>EIB Investments in Digital Economies outside the European Union Benoit Denis, Economist, Digital Economy, EIB</p>
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Project examples</p> <p>Tunisie Telecom 4G Rollout Okba Moussa, Director of Market Operations, Tunisie Telecom</p> <p><i>This EUR 100m project in Tunisia relates to the roll-out of mobile next generation access networks, including the related investments in the backbone network and IT systems. With the implementation of the project, the promoter plans to roll-out a 4G mobile network throughout the country to connect 1.1m customers.</i></p> <p>TLcom Tide Africa Fund Andreata Muforo, Partner, TLcom Capital LLP (Video Conference)</p> <p><i>The project consists of an equity participation of USD 11m in TLcom's TIDE Africa Fund, a USD 100m regional venture capital fund focusing on innovative technology-based African SMEs, across all stages of the venture capital cycle. This is the first fund signed under Boost Africa, a joint initiative between the EIB and the African Development Bank, supported by the European Commission. Boost Africa seeks to harness the continent's potential, and create opportunity on the ground, mainly through enabling and enhancing entrepreneurship and innovation across Africa.</i></p> <p>TV Cabo Multimedia II Nuno Marques, Vice-President of the Board of Directors, Grupo Visabeira</p> <p><i>This EUR 20m project concerns the roll-out of optical fibre networks in Angola, in the cities of Lubango, Huambo, Cabinda and Soyo, and the expansion of the existing networks in the metropolitan area of Luanda and in the cities of Lobito and Benguela. An incremental 83 300 new sites (businesses, institutions and homes) will be passed with Ultra High Speed Broadband access. The project will develop advanced telecommunications services (broadband internet, voice and pay-tv) and have social benefits such as improved connectivity for public services like health, education, administration, ministries and also associations and NGOs.</i></p>
14:30 – 15:00	Q&A session
15:00 – 15:15	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Eve Walter, Moderator Head of Unit, Development and Impact Finance, EIB</p>
15:15 – 16:00	Networking coffee

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