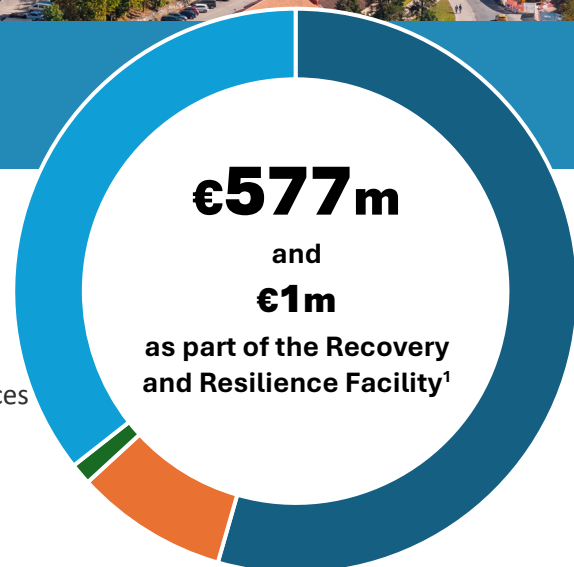
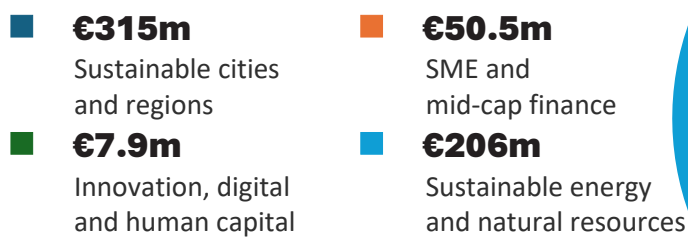




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EIB GROUP ACTIVITY IN LITHUANIA IN 2025



Cross-cutting policy goals:²

Green finance	Cohesion
36.5% (€211m)	75.3% (€435m)

- The EIB Group made a significant contribution in Lithuania in 2025.
- It financed national defence, renewable energy projects and modern water services.
- Sustainable finance for households and small and medium-sized enterprises increased.

In 2025, the EIB Group – comprising the European Investment Bank (EIB) and the European Investment Fund (EIF) – had strong results for Lithuania, providing €577 million in financing. This support focused on strengthening defence, expanding renewable energy and improving water infrastructure.

Defence was the main priority, confirming the Bank's role as a strategic partner for national security. Financing included support for the Lithuanian government. The EIB also invested in the Kelmė wind farm and upgrades to Vilnius' water systems, improving energy security, climate adaptation and service quality.

The EIF expanded green finance through a loan initiative with RATO Credit Union and backed Sound Senior Private Debt Fund I – its first investment under a new programme with the national development bank ILTE to strengthen Lithuania's capital markets. It also increased support for small businesses with guarantee top-ups for Mano Bankas, SME Finance and Noviti, unlocking additional lending for competitiveness, sustainability and microbusiness growth.

The EIB Group's financing in Lithuania last year represented 0.7% of the country's gross domestic product (GDP). That helped mobilise total investments of about €1.4 billion, equivalent to 1.7% of the country's GDP.

¹ The [Recovery and Resilience Facility](#) is an EU programme created after the COVID 19 pandemic to support a more sustainable and resilient European economy.

² Our green and cohesion financing are horizontal indicators and can overlap with each other and other policy goals.



BUILDING DEFENCE RESILIENCE AND READINESS

Upgrading Lithuania's military infrastructure for NATO operations

Delivering strategic investments to strengthen Europe's security

In 2025, the EIB carried out major operations to reinforce Lithuania's defence and long-term resilience. Building on the country's growing role within NATO, the Bank financed critical defence infrastructure upgrades to improve national readiness and bolster Europe's deterrence.

The centrepiece was a [€300 million loan under Lithuania's 2024-2030 defence plan](#), part of a €500 million package approved by the Bank. This funding is already improving logistics, transport, medical and operational facilities across the armed forces – a significant step for national security and NATO interoperability.

The Bank is also set to lend the Lithuanian government €540 million to build the [new Rūdninkai military base](#) south of Vilnius. Strategically located near the Suwałki Gap, the base will host a full German brigade and become one of the region's most important defence sites. Covering 170 hectares with around 150 buildings, it will include medical, residential, logistics and training facilities. Construction is expected to begin in 2026. The EIB is also advising on the public-private partnership model to ensure agreements meet market standards.

Together, these operations underline Lithuania's role on NATO's eastern flank and strengthen EU crisis preparedness. In total, the Bank approved over €1 billion for defence investments in Lithuania in 2025 – a milestone that reflects the country's growing importance for Europe's security.

2025 EIB volume

Projects signed by the EIB in Lithuania amounted to

€452 million (78% of Group investment)





DRIVING LITHUANIA'S GREEN TRANSITION

Scaling up clean energy and climate-resilient water systems

Expanding sustainable finance for households and small businesses

Lithuania's clean energy transition made major progress in 2025 with [EIB support for the Kelmė wind farm](#), the largest onshore wind project in the Baltics. Ignitis Group secured a €100 million loan to deliver a 314 MW facility capable of powering 250 000 homes, strengthening energy security and reducing reliance on imported power. Once integrated into Lithuania's electricity system, Kelmė will help Lithuania reach its target of 4-5 GW of green generation capacity by 2030 and advance EU climate goals.

Urban water resilience also improved with a €50 million [EIB loan to Vilniaus vandenys](#) to upgrade, digitalise and expand water and wastewater systems in the Vilnius region. The programme includes modernising the Viršuliškės water station, expanding the Gulbinai network, reconstructing the Šalčininkai facility and building new wastewater pipelines and a balancing reservoir. These investments will improve service quality, reduce leakages and strengthen climate resilience for a fast-growing urban area.

Access to green finance expanded through a €16 million [InvestEU-backed EIF guarantee with RATO Credit Union](#). This initiative enables lower-cost loans with lower collateral requirements for including renewable-energy systems, energy-efficient housing and low-emission transport. By opening green finance to households and small businesses nationwide, the programme accelerates Lithuania's shift to a more energy-efficient and sustainable economy.

2025 EIF volume

Projects signed by the EIF in Lithuania amounted to

€126 million (22% of Group investment)



Overall EIB Group achievements in 2025

Total EIB Group financing

€100 billion*

including

€15.7 billion
in EIF funding

and

€9 billion

by EIB Global for development finance and international partnerships

*Total includes €1.8 billion in joint EIB/EIF operations.

Green financing

€57 billion

57% of total EIB Group financing

and

Social cohesion

€42.8 billion

48% of total Group financing within the EU

TechEU

€22.4 billion

Total investment supported worldwide

€350 billion

including €302 billion in the EU

Security and defence

€4 billion

close to 5% of total
Group financing in the EU

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