

The EIB sustainable finance and energy efficiency

EIB - The bank of European Union

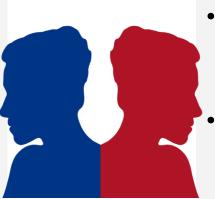
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European Investment Bank – a publicly owned Bank is:

A public institution

- The EU Bank: non-profit institution which cooperates with other EU Institutions.
- Strong collaboration with the European Commission (blending/ advisory/ EFSI)
- Invests into projects that contribute to EU policy objectives



A Bank

- AAA-rated
- Independent in borrowing and lending decisions
- Invests in technically sound and financially viable projects
- We work in the market with other investors (crowding-in)





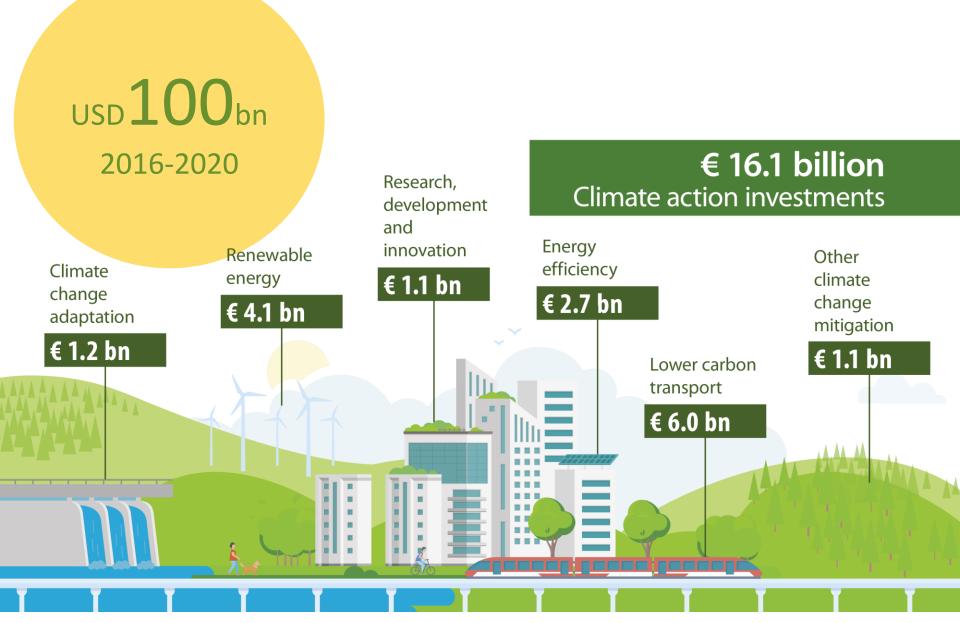




Project Requirements

- EIB-supported projects must:
 - Meet at least one of the EIB's objectives
 - Be technically sound and show an acceptable economic return
 - Be financially solid
 - Comply with procurement regulations
 - We appraise and monitor the environmental and social sustainability of all of our investment projects.







EIB - Plans for the future

- EIB's increased ambitions:
 - Increase to 50% target for annual commitments dedicated to climate & environmental goals by 2025.
 - Grow sustainable finance (investments) to 1 trillion by 2030 increasing support to climate adaptation and resilience.
 - Align all EIB financing to principles and goals of the Paris
 Agreement by end 2020 (EIB Board discussions ongoing):
 - Phase out projects depending on fossil fuels
 - "Just" transition.
- EIB as an incubator for climate finance and expertise
 - to mobilize other resources, helping our societies and economies transform to a low carbon future



EIB's Energy Lending Policy - priorities



Unlocking energy efficiency



Decarbonising energy supply

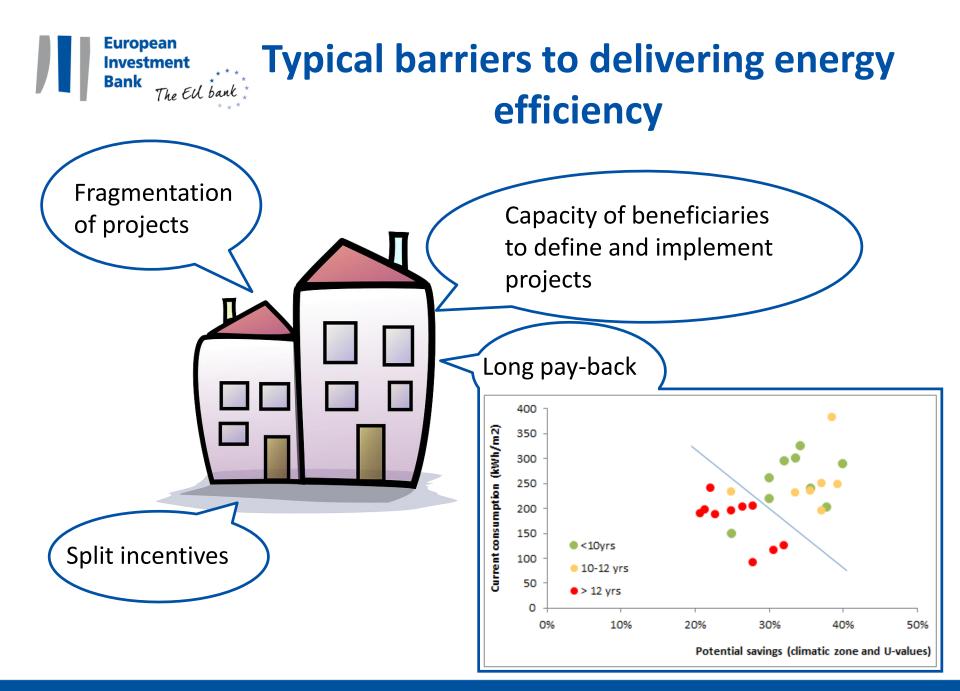


Supporting innovative technologies and new types of energy infrastructure



Securing the enabling infrastructure





EIB Response = Finance + Technical Assistance

- **A.** Investment loans traditional EIB activity
- **B.** Bank Intermediation to promote aggregation of smaller projects and increase volumes of commercial lending
- **C. Debt/Equity funds** together with private investors
- D. ESIF/EFSI structures using public grants (as a 'first loss' mechanism) combined with lending
- **E.** Technical assistance Tailored and standardized
 - ELENA European Local Energy Assistance (ELENA)





ELENA: TA required to deliver investment needs

ELENA

ELENA Technical Assistance

Support for Project developers (public or private) for:

Additional personnel

Technical studies

• Preparation, evaluation of calls for tender

• Financial structuring

INVESTMENT PROGRAMME Energy efficiency and distributed renewable energy

in public and private buildings, public lighting and traffic light network roof top photovoltaics, heating/cooling systems (e.g. biomass);

Efficient urban transport and mobility

clean and energy - efficient road transport vehicles, trams, trolleybuses, metros, and trains; investments to improve public transport;

Local energy facilities that support EE/RE smart grids, district heating and cooling infrastructure for recharging electrically powered vehicles, information and communications technologies,



Unlocking EE



Huge investment needs and real potential to use energy more efficiently.

But...

- Fragmentation (small projects and high transaction cost)
- Split incentives (landlords vs tenants)
- Subsidized energy costs
- Capital constraints to expand into new products
- Lack of technical expertise

EIB's response

- Aggregation (intermediated lending, investment Funds, etc.)
- Broad range of instruments: direct and intermediated operations
- Provision of Technical Assistance: ELENA and high-involvement in direct operations
- However, some barriers non-addressable by EIB (e.g. regulatory barriers, ESCO market, public sector limitations)



Case study : Tipperary Energy Agency (Ireland)

- Beneficiary: Tipperary Energy Agency ("TEA")
 - Deep retrofit of single family dwellings under the programme "Superhomes"
 - Public Lighting Replacement Programme
 - Implementation of renewable heating systems, mobilising investment under the *Renewable Heat Incentive* (RHI)
 - Implementation of community wide energy efficiency under the state Better Energy Community and other energy efficiency public schemes.
- Investment programme : EUR 38m
- ELENA grant budget: EUR 1.5m
- ELENA provide support for:
 - ELENA PDS Team composed of TEA staff and external subcontractors.
 - Offering a tailored assistance to private homeowners, public entities, SMEs
 - Undertake the stakeholder engagement, the technical and business case development and provide energy audits, prepare the procurement and design of the investments
 - ELENA PDS Team will liaise directly with the individual house/facility owners to encourage the investment



Case study: NEWLIGHT Street lighting (Croatia)

- Beneficiary: North-West Croatia Regional Energy Agency (REGEA)
- Objective: Public street lighting, EPC
- Location: 57 local authorities in county Zagreb and Krapina-Zagorje
- Investment programme: c. 14.4 MEUR
- ELENA grant budget: 0.6 MEUR

ELENA support requested:

- Detailed analysis covering 70 thousand luminaries (new GIS database)
- ✓ 57 local Action Plans
- Detailed market analysis
- ✓ Public tenders for contracts including EPC, standard, D&B, leasing



Thank you!

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