

#### European Investment Bank

## Upcoming financial instruments: Will they accommodate our ambition?

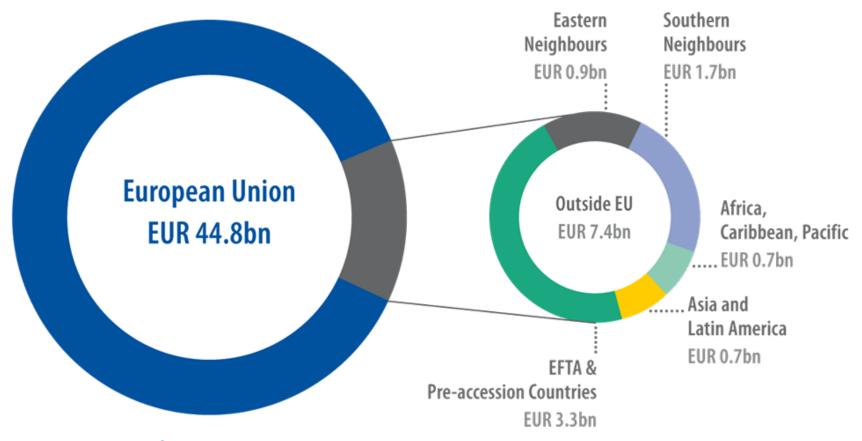
The tools of the European Investment Bank – what can they fix?

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#### Lending

Loans signed in 2012: EUR 52.2bn

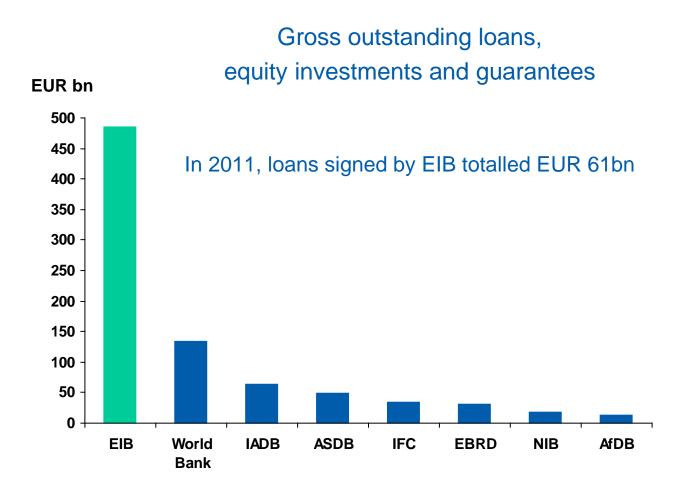


Pre-accession Countries include:

Candidate Countries: Croatia, Iceland, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Turkey.

Potential Candidate Countries: Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo.





Source: Standard & Poor's; Supranationals -Special Edition 2011 Data as of 31.12.2010 (World Bank, IFC as of 30.06.2011)



Lending, Blending and Advisory Activities

#### **LENDING**

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#### **ADVISING**

- Loans
- Guarantees
- Equity participation

- Combining EIB loans and EU grants
- Leveraging EU and Member States budget resources

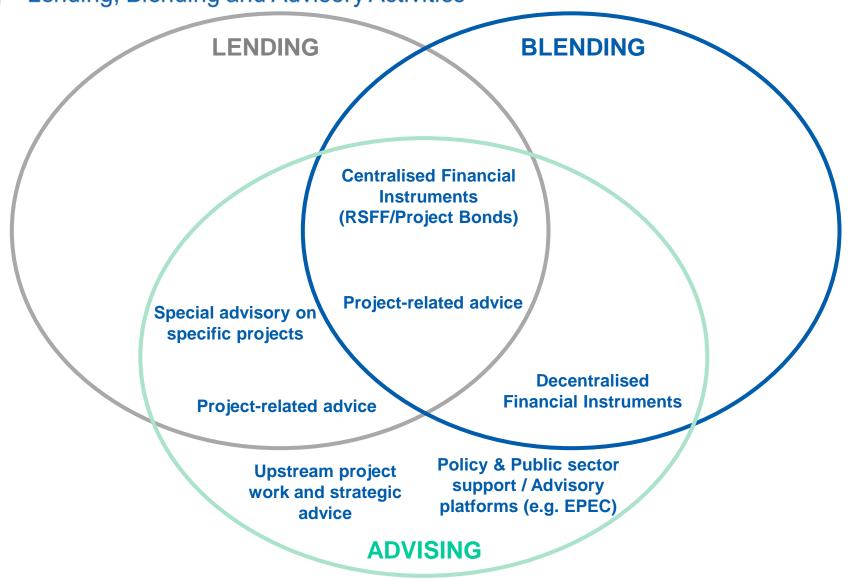
- Strong in-house expertise
- Technical and financial advice
- Technical assistance initiatives

The EIB is NOT lending taxpayers' money



#### The EIB Group

Lending, Blending and Advisory Activities



## Advising: EIB Group Advisory Services Rationale

As a complement to its lending activity, the Bank may provide advisory services (art. 18.7 of the Statutes)

...in doing so the Bank must ensure that it:

#### → Brings value to customers

...improving project delivery, efficient utilisation of funds and attractiveness of the investments

#### → Acts in the interests of the EU and its Member States

...acceleration and facilitation of investment by providing services which contribute to EU strategy and act counter-cyclically

#### → Contributes to the COP objectives

...supporting lending and project quality, improving the pipeline and speeding up disbursements

## Advising: EIB Group Advisory Services Clients, service providers and funders

#### Clients

- Public Sector (EC, MS, Partner Countries, EU Regions and cities, public companies, etc...)
- Private Sector (financial institutions, fund managers, etc...)

### Service providers

- EIB Group staff
- External Consultants (supervised by EIB experts)

#### **Funders**

- Fees
- Grants
- EIB Lending Margin
- EIB contribution

- → 39 on-going facilities and programmes
- → 200 staff involved
- → More than 400 external consultants contracted
- → Central dedicated unit in charge of strategy and policy
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- → Significant development of the activity expected under the next MFF

## Advising: New EIB Group Advisory Services Strategy Prioritiy sectors and geographies

# Innovation & Skills Access to finance Strategic infrastructure Resource efficiency Support to Growth & Employment / EU 2020 Strategy

#### Within the EU

- 1. Improve project quality
- ...speed up implementation and disbursement
- 2. Maximise absorption of EU funds
- ...by project preparation and development of blending instruments
- 3. Enhance the effectiveness of Financial Instruments
- ...through the Advisory Platform
- 4. Disseminate best practices

Provide tailor made advisory services across the EU

#### Outside the EU

- 1. Support convergence of pre-accession countries
- ...TEN and regional infrastructure, support to SMEs, PPPs
- 2. Neighbourhood Region
- ...TEN, environment and climate change projects
- 3. ACP
- ...infrastructure, climate change and financial sector. Collaborate with other IFIs
- 4. Other Partner Countries

Advisory Services to remain mainly project-focused



#### **Advising: EIB Group Advisory Services**

New initiatives: TA Platform for Financial Instruments

TA activities linked to the cycle of FI

Design

Set-up

*Implementation* 

Exit / Winding-up

**Technical Assistance Platform (TAP)** 

Horizontal assistance

- applicable to all MS and types of FIs
- best practice and networking, trainings and guidance on common themes (ex-ante assessments, public procurement, regulatory aspects concerning cohesion policy, State aid, etc)

Multiregional assistance

- for the benefit of more MA
- support for FIs targeting development objectives or market failures, shared by a number of regions



#### **Advising: EIB Group Advisory Services**

New initiatives: Research, Development and Innovation (RDI) Advisory

#### **RDI Advisory was set up in 2013**

- To provide upstream project related advice on important RDI projects in EU and Associated Countries
- To disseminate and exchange best practice on access to finance issues between public and private sector RDI actors
- Scope to be broadened under Horizon 2020

#### **RDI Advisory working on three Pilot Projects**

- Global TB Vaccine Partnership
- Fuel Cells and Hydrogen Joint Undertaking
- European Spallation Source

#### **RDI Network Activities**

- Focus on the development of a Pilot Internet Platform for innovative SMEs and Midcaps
- Improving the overall framework conditions for financing through innovative network activities



#### **Advising: EIB Group Advisory Services**

New initiative: EIB Danube Strategy Technical Assistance Facility (EDTAF)

#### Focus:

- support the preparation of projects falling under the EU Strategy for the Danube Region (EUSDR)
- development of cross border projects which have to be developed as joint projects from the earliest stages and/or where the disparity of resources across borders makes it difficult to achieve the same progress in preparation on both sides of the border
- (currently in discussion) Memorandum of Understanding EC and EIB to formalise cooperation on macro-regional strategies

#### **Next Steps:**

- Setting aside a reasonable contribution of "seed money" from EIB resources (EUR 1,5 m) for estimated 10 assignments with an average size of 150,000 EUR giving 1.5 MEUR EIB contribution
- Drafting up a guideline on how to access this money along with WBIF and NIF and other resources
- Leading a negotiation with the Danube countries for contributions from the 2014-2020 Transnational Programme for the Danube Region
- Pursuing the EC / Member States for a contribution
- Setting up review and approval procedures for applications for funds



Thank you for your interest and attention!