Early Warning System

EBRD-48146 BZ WBK Poland REFF



Quick Facts

Countries	Poland
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	FI
Voting Date	2016-02-24
Borrower	BZ WBK
Sectors	Energy, Finance, Technical Cooperation, Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 82.66 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 82.66 million



Project Description

This project provides financing to the Polish bank BZ WBK, along with technical assistance, for on-lending to energy and resource saving projects in residential buildings. The project is aimed at tackling he high energy and water consumption in the Polish residential sector.



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BZ WBK is the third largest lender in Poland established through a merger between Bank Zachodni S.A. and Wielkopolski Bank Kredytowy S.A. in 2001. In April 2011, BZ WBK became part of the Santander Group. Banco Santander S.A. is the main shareholder of the Group and currently holds 69.4% shares. The Group has a well-established and developed network of retail branches and a strong position in the SME and corporate sectors, focusing on customers from large and small and medium-sized enterprises. The merger with Kredyt Bank (in 2013) significantly increased the Group's mortgage franchise, while the consolidation of Santander Consumer Bank (2014) also helped to expand the Group's presence in retail lending. As of 9M15 the Group had total assets of EUR 31.9 billion, total equity of EUR 4.7 billion and net profit of EUR 534.8 million. BZ WBK served 6.2 million customers and had a network of 752 branches as of 9M15.



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Bank Documents

• Project Summary Document (Polish) [Original Source]