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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	North Macedonia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	Sparkasse Bank Macedonia (SBM)
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 3.32 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 3.32 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 3.32 million



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#### **Project Description**

According to EBRD website, the loan will be used by SBM to provide long-term financing for residential mortgage lending in North Macedonia. This project will support SBM's competitiveness by providing much-needed long term funding to support the growth of the retail portfolio. Mortgage lending is the backbone of SBM's retail growth plans.



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#### **Investment Description**

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

#### **Financial Intermediary**

Financial Intermediary: A commercial bank or financial institution that receives funds from a development bank. A financial intermediary then lends these funds to their clients (private actors) in the form of loans, bonds, guarantees and equity shares. Financial intermediaries include insurance, pension and equity funds. The direct financial relationship is between the development bank and the financial intermediary.

• SPARKASSE BANK MACEDONIJA AD (Financial Intermediary)



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#### **Private Actors Description**

Sparkasse Bank Makedonija ("SBM") is a universal commercial bank, that is the 7th largest bank in Macedonia with a 4% market share by total assets. SBM is fully owned by Steiermarkische Bank und Sparkassen AG, Austria ("STSP"). STSP has just acquired 2nd bank on the Macedonian market - Ohridska Banka (OB) from Soc Gen. (5th largest, with around 8% market share). SBM and OB will be merged in 2021, after which the new bank will be the 4th largest on the market with 12-13% market share.



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