Early Warning System

EBRD-54801 InvestEU GCPG - Eurobank Bulgaria



Quick Facts

Countries	Bulgaria
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-04-10
Borrower	Eurobank Bulgaria AD (Postbank)
Sectors	Energy, Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 42.23 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 150.81 million



Project Description

As stated by the EBRD, the project consists of a capped unfunded portfolio guarantee to be provided by the EBRD as an InvestEU implementing partner to Eurobank Bulgaria (known under its local brand name Postbank), as an eligible partner financial intermediary in Bulgaria under the EBRD's InvestEU Green Capped Portfolio Guarantee Framework. The guarantee will cover a newly generated portfolio of loans amounting to up to EUR 140 million, financing eligible green projects across industry sectors. The Project benefits from partial first loss risk cover from the European Union under the InvestEU Fund.

The Project aims to further support the EBRD's green agenda in Bulgaria and the national green economy priorities. As such, the Project will bridge the funding gap for sustainable energy investments in the country, support the resilience of a systemic bank and expand its green lending capacity.

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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.

• Eurobank Bulgaria AD (Postbank) (Financial Intermediary) is owned by Eurobank S.A. (Parent Company)



Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, Eurobank Bulgaria/Postbank is the fourth largest and a systemically important bank in Bulgaria with a market share of c. 11.3% of total assets as of YE2023. Postbank is majority-owned by Eurobank Services and Holdings S. A., with a combined (direct and indirect) ownership stake of 99.99%, while the remaining 0.01% is held by minority shareholders.

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Other Related Projects

• EBRD-54981 InvestEU Green Capped Portfolio Guarantee Framework