

 Early Warning System

EBRD-55014

Studenac senior loan



Quick Facts

Countries	Croatia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-07-17
Borrower	Studenac d.o.o.
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Construction, Energy, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 43.76 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 43.76 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 87.52 million



Project Description

According to the EBRD, the project consists of the provision of a EUR40 million senior long-term loan to Studenac d.o.o., the largest food retailer in Croatia by number of stores, for acquisition of selected food retail chains and future investments.

The loan will support the Company in its expansion efforts as well as expected further efficiency and profitability improvements.

The Project aims to enhance the Company's operational efficiency, performance, and scale of operations by acquiring selected food retail chains and introducing innovative digitalisation and automation solutions across various business areas.

It will also support improvements in stores' energy efficiency via implementation of high efficiency lighting, air conditioning and refrigeration equipment in both existing and new stores.



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Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, Studenac is an existing client of the Bank and the largest food retailer in Croatia by number of stores. The Company is owned by Enterprise Investors.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
Enterprise Investors	Parent Company	Finance	owns	Studenac d.o.o.	Client	Industry and Trade



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