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Quick Facts

Countries	Moldova
Specific Location	City of Chisinau
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2026-12-16
Borrower	City of Chisinau
Sectors	Infrastructure, Law and Government, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 11.26 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 11.26 million

Project Description

According to the Bank’s website, the Project envisages the rehabilitation of the Ismail Bridge in Chisinau, a priority investment aimed at restoring the structural integrity, safety, and operational capacity of one of the city's key transport links. Built in 1968, the bridge has deteriorated due to ageing infrastructure, heavy traffic loads, and chronic underinvestment in structural maintenance. This deterioration has resulted in escalating maintenance costs, increased traffic disruptions, heightened safety risks, and the potential need to restrict the bridge's use, with adverse impacts on the efficiency and reliability of the overall urban transport network.

The Project will restore the bridge's structural integrity, extend its service life, improve its resilience, enhance road safety, and reduce traffic congestion and travel time, contributing to greater efficiency, connectivity, and reliability within Chisinau.

The borrower will be the City of Chisinau, a municipality located in Moldova. Chisinau, the capital city of Moldova, has a population of 800,000, representing nearly one-third of the country's total population and covers an area of 571.6 square kilometres. The City is the most economically vital locality in Moldova and serves as its financial and business capital, contributing about 60 per cent of the national GDP.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

Categorised B (2024 Environmental and Social Policy). Key Environmental and Social ("E&S") issues to consider are Client's E&S management capacity, contractor management, occupational health and safety during construction, community Health and Safety, pollution and waste management, economic displacement and stakeholder engagement and grievance mechanism. E&S due diligence will be carried out with the support of a consultant and will include a site visit.

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The facility will consist of a sub-sovereign loan to the City in the amount of up to EUR 10.0 million to support the comprehensive rehabilitation and modernization of the Ismail Bridge.

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Bank Documents

- PSD Translation (Moldovan)