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Quick Facts

Countries	Denmark, Sweden
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2016-12-01
Borrower	EUROPEAN SPALLATION SOURCE ERIC
Sectors	Infrastructure
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 106.64 million
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Project Description

According to EIB website, the project will be the construction and operation of a multi-disciplinary research laboratory in Lund, Sweden, based on the world's most powerful neutron source. The European Spallation Source (ESS) will create a pan-European research infrastructure that will serve a community of 5 000 researchers across numerous research areas such as new materials (nanomaterials), energy and climate (fuel cells, batteries, biofuels, solar energy and superconductors), health (tissues, proteins, enzymes and other complex biological materials), engineering (catalysers, aeroplane wings, automobile engines), chemistry (environmentally friendly detergents, paints, cleaners and lubricants), or environmental technology (improved knowledge of water treatment and cleaner industrial processes). The ESS is one of the strategic research infrastructure projects under the "Excellent Science" programme of Europe's Horizon 2020 strategy.

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Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

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Bank Documents

- Environmental and Social Data Sheet

Media

- EU support for cutting-edge ESS research infrastructure in Sweden and Denmark