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Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	PRIVATE ENTITY(IES) (TBD)
Sectors	Education and Health, Energy
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 11.97 million

Project Description

This involves an equity investment fund targeting the smaller end of the small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) segment in sub-Saharan Africa

According to bank documents, the fund's investment strategy is focusing on the smaller end of the SME segment with funding needs of EUR 0.3-3m primarily in francophone Africa and the Indian Ocean. The fund will be generalist in terms of target sectors, emphasising sectors addressing the Sustainable Development Goals (e.g. health, renewable energy, financial inclusion etc.). Investments will mainly target SMEs in their expansion stage, and, to a lesser extent, in start-ups.

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Contact Information

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF EIB

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When dissatisfied with a complaint to the EIB Complaints Mechanism, citizens can then turn towards the European Ombudsman. A memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the EIB and the European Ombudsman establishes that citizens (even outside of the EU if the Ombudsman finds their complaint justified) can turn towards the Ombudsman on issues related to 'maladministration' by the EIB. Note that before going to the Ombudsman, an attempt must be made to resolve the case by contacting the EIB. In addition, the complaint must be made within two years of the date when the facts on which your complaint is based became known to you. You can write to the Ombudsman in any of the languages of the European Union. Additional details, including filing requirements and complaint forms, are available at: http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu/atyourservice/interactiveguide.faces