### Early Warning System

# EIB-20170241 ITALIAN SMALL WATER UTILITIES PROGRAMME LOAN



### **Quick Facts**

| Countries               | Italy                          |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Financial Institutions  | European Investment Bank (EIB) |
| Status                  | Approved                       |
| Bank Risk Rating        | U                              |
| Voting Date             | 2017-07-18                     |
| Sectors                 | Water and Sanitation           |
| Investment Type(s)      | Loan                           |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 230.95 million              |
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| Project Cost (USD)      | \$ 461.91 million              |



#### **Project Description**

According to EIB website, the programme loan (PL) is for the financing of several small water utilities in Italy. The suboperations of the PL are driven by the need to ensure compliance with EU and national environmental legislation. The investments will deliver substantial health advantages and environmental quality improvements in the form of a more rational use of water resources, higher ecological quality of surface and groundwater resources, and increased service coverage and quality. Finally, part of the investments under this PL are expected to be made in less-developed regions of Italy.

The investments in the water and wastewater sector are expected to have a positive net environmental and social impact, considering their focus on compliance and resource efficiency.



### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

#### **Contact Information**

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

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### **Bank Documents**

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet



### **Other Related Projects**

- EIB-20170795 ACQUE VERONESI WATER INFRA UPGRADE
- EIB-20170838 ASA LIVORNO WATER INFRA UPGRADES