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### Quick Facts

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| **Countries** | Italy |
| **Financial Institutions** | European Investment Bank (EIB) |
| **Status** | Approved |
| **Bank Risk Rating** | U |
| **Voting Date** | 2019-12-02 |
| **Borrower** | ICCREA BANCA SPA - ISTITUTO CENTRALE DEL CREDITO COOPERATIVO |
| **Sectors** | Finance |
| **Investment Type(s)** | Loan |
| **Investment Amount (USD)** | $ 276.91 million |
| **Loan Amount (USD)** | $ 276.91 million |

## Project Description

According to EIB website, the project consists of a dedicated loan to finance small and medium-sized investments through Italian cooperative banks belonging to the Iccrea cooperative banks' network. The EIB will invest up to EUR 250m into a senior tranche of a portfolio of granular exposures to support new lending and leasing schemes to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and mid-caps in Italy. At least 25% of EIB funds will be dedicated to the agriculture sector. This project will improve competitiveness and access to finance at favourable conditions for SMEs and mid-caps in Italy.

### Investment Description

- European Investment Bank (EIB)

### Financial Intermediary

Financial Intermediary: A commercial bank or financial institution that receives funds from a development bank. A financial intermediary then lends these funds to their clients (private actors) in the form of loans, bonds, guarantees and equity shares. Financial intermediaries include insurance, pension and equity funds. The direct financial relationship is between the development bank and the financial intermediary.

- Iccrea Banca SpA (Financial Intermediary)

### Private Actors Description

Iccrea Banca SpA provides commercial banking services. The Bank offers a product range including savings, investments, mortgage loans, financing, insurance, and online banking services. Iccrea Banca serves clients in Italy.

## Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

### ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF EIB

The EIB Complaints Mechanism is designed to facilitate and handle complaints against the EIB by individuals, organizations or corporations affected by EIB activities. When exercising the right to lodge a complaint against the EIB, any member of the public has access to a two-tier procedure, one internal - the Complaints Mechanism Office - and one external - the European Ombudsman. A complaint can be lodged via a written communication addressed to the Secretary General of the EIB, via email to the dedicated email address complaints@eib.org, by completing the online complaint form available at the following address: http://www.eib.org/complaints/form, via fax or delivered directly to the EIB Complaints Mechanism Division, any EIB local representation office or any EIB staff. For further details, check: http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints_mechanism_policy_en.pdf

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