### Early Warning System

# EIB-20190140 BST FOCUSED SUPPORT FOR SMES & MIDCAPS



#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Portugal
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-09-28
Borrower	Banco Santander Totta SA
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 397.97 million



#### **Project Description**

According to the EIB, the project concerns a multi-beneficiary intermediated loan to provide additional loans to small and medium sized enterprises and MidCaps in Portugal in eligible industry and services sectors. A minimum 70% of the loan will be used to finance SMEs.

In detail, the financial operation consists in purchasing investment grade tranches of a true sale securitistion of consumer loans.



#### **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.

• Banco Santander Totta S.A. (Financial Intermediary)



#### **Private Actors Description**

From the company's website:

Santander began its activity in Portugal in 1990 when it acquired a significant stake in Banco de Comércio e Indústria, but it was not fully consolidated until 1999, when it bought a significant stake of the Totta e Açores financial group and Crédito Predial Português. The merger of the Group's three commercial banks (Totta, Crédito Predial and Santander Portugal) gave rise to Banco Santander Totta. Subsequently, Banco Popular's business in Portugal was integrated in 2017.

#### **Contact Information**

No project contacts available at the time of disclosure.

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#### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

You can submit an information request for project information at: https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/registers/request-form/request-form-default.htm

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