Early Warning System

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SANTANDER EGF PAN-EUROPEAN SUPPLY CHAIN FINANCE

Quick Facts

Countries	Austria, France, Germany, Italy
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-06-16
Borrower	BANCO SANTANDER SA
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 562.03 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 12,589.45 million

Project Description

According to the bank website, the objective of this project is to reverse factoring operation under the European Guarantee Fund (EGF) of trade payables of corporates and mid-caps located outside Spain in EGF-participating Member States, improving access to finance of their (mainly small and medium-sized enterprise (SME)) suppliers. The operation will allow an increase in the reverse factoring volumes available for suppliers to identified mid-cap and large corporate buyers enabling access to finance at favourable financing conditions for SME and mid-cap final beneficiaries.

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- 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 SA (Financial Intermediary)

Contact Information

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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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

Bank Documents

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- Spain: EIB and Santander provide €2 billion to support European companies affected by COVID-19 via c