### Early Warning System

# EIB-20200858 GREECE RESEARCH CENTRES SUPPORT



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#### **Quick Facts**

| Countries               | Greece                                   |
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| Financial Institutions  | European Investment Bank (EIB)           |
| Status                  | Proposed                                 |
| Bank Risk Rating        | U  |
| Voting Date             | 2021-07-21                               |
| Borrower                | Government of Greece                     |
| Sectors                 | Education and Health, Industry and Trade |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 70.85 million                         |
| Project Cost (USD)      | \$ 176.08 million                        |



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#### **Project Description**

According to the bank website, the project supports the improvement and expansion of research and development (R&D) infrastructure at the Biomedical Sciences Research Centre "Alexander Fleming" (BSRC Fleming), the National Hellenic Research Foundation (NHRF), the Athena Research and Innovation Centre (Athena), and the Biomedical Research Foundation Academy of Athens (BRFAA), all of which are prominent Greek research centres. The project will co-finance the construction of multiple new research buildings and the renovation of existing ones, as well as the purchase of R&D and information and communications technology (ICT) equipment.

More specifically, it will finance:

- The construction of a building for a new Biotechnology Hub at BSRC Fleming;
- The renovation of the NHRF building and the purchase of scientific equipment dedicated to advanced organic materials and cancer theranostics and bioelectronics applications;
- New facilities and the restoration of a listed building for Athena; and
- The establishment of an Advanced Centre for Infectious Diseases and Precision Imaging Diagnostics at BRFAA.

#### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

Investment type not available on website at the time of the snapshot



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#### **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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