

# EIB-20210089 EAST LANE PARTNERS NORTH AFRICA & LEVANT FUND I



#### **Quick Facts**

Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-12-05
Borrower	SPECIAL PURPOSE ENTITY(IES)/FUND
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 20.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 150.00 million

#### **Project Description**

According to bank provided information, the investment involves an quity participation of up to USD 20 million in East Lane Partners North Africa and Levant Fund I, a generalist private equity fund targeting growth capital investments in small and medium-sized private companies operating in North Africa and Levant.

The fund will aim to invest in a diversified portfolio of small and mid-sized companies seeking to grow their activities. The fund manager will proactively support the corporate and operational development of underlying investee companies.



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#### **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.

• East Lane Partners (Financial Intermediary)

#### **Private Actors Description**

As stated on the company's website, East Lane Partners is an emerging markets private equity firm headquartered out of Cairo. It invests in growth and buyout opportunities across North Africa and the Levant region. It operates control, growth buy and build strategies across different sectors including industrials, healthcare, business services and technology.

#### **Contact Information**

\*Contact information not provide at the time of disclosure\*

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