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Quick Facts

Countries	Portugal
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-12-23
Borrower	CAIXA ECONOMICA MONTEPIO GERAL, CAIXA ECONOMICA BANCARIA SA
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 122.24 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 400.43 million

Project Description

According to the bank website, the proposed operation concerns a guarantee scheme under the European Guarantee Fund (EGF) in Portugal, which will support the financing of (mostly) mid-caps in sectors that have been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and that are in line with the EIB's long-term mission (innovation; environment; indirect small and medium-sized enterprise (SME) support, through the requirement of creating an additional portfolio).

Linked risk-sharing operation under the European Guarantee Fund (EGF) for mid-caps and other eligible entities in Portugal, aiming to mobilise funding resources to respond to the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The supported final recipients are considered to: (i) be viable in the long-term; (ii) meet the lender's requirements for commercial financing, were it not for the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. In line with the EGF, this is a limited-time intervention.

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.

- CAIXA ECONOMICA MONTEPIO GERAL CAIXA ECONOMICA BANCARIA SA (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

As stated by DevEx, Montepio, formerly Montepio Geral, is a Portuguese mutual savings organization, better known for its banking activity. Banco Montepio was established in 1844, with its headquarters in Lisbon.

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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