### Early Warning System

# EIB-20210666 BBVA - ABS EGF ENHANCED SME SUPPORT



#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Spain
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-12-17
Borrower	BANCO BILBAO VIZCAYA ARGENTARIA SA
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 128.28 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1,436.76 million

#### **Project Description**

According to the bank website, the project consists of a first loss piece guarantee on a synthetic securitisation structure to support small and medium-sized projects carried out by small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) located in Spain.

The operation concerns a first loss piece ("FLP") guarantee of up to EUR 120 million on a granular synthetic securitisation for the ultimate benefit of BBVA S.A.. It is presented under the EGF - EU PL - LOAN SUBSTITUTE INSTRUMENT (2021-0635) with the aim of directly addressing the working capital, liquidity needs and investment constraints of EU SMEs.



#### **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 Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria SA (BBVA) (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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http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints\_mechanism\_policy\_en.pdf

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