### Early Warning System

# EIB-20220052 SES ADVANCED HYBRID SATELLITE



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### **Quick Facts**

| Countries              | Luxembourg                     |
|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Financial Institutions | European Investment Bank (EIB) |
| Status                 | Approved                       |
| Bank Risk Rating       | U                              |
| Voting Date            | 2022-12-16                     |
| Borrower               | SES                            |
| Sectors                | Communications                 |
| Investment Type(s)     | Loan                           |
| Loan Amount (USD)      | \$ 317.93 million              |
| Project Cost (USD)     | \$ 662.36 million              |

### **Project Description**

According to the bank website, te project concerns the design, the purchase and the launch of three satellites in order to support the company's transition from traditional TV broadcasting to more innovative IP based streaming services. Two satellites will be located at the orbital slot 19.2 degrees East and one at 57 degrees East. The satellites are very important for the promoter's business as they cover key central European markets (including Germany, France, Austria, Switzerland and Spain) as well as Africa and Middle East. Through these new satellites, the Direct to Home TV with latest HD quality will be strengthened and more innovative TV services such as IP multicast streaming to residential users and terrestrial 5G networks including broadband data services are added.

The project will secure key strategic orbital slots (19.2 and 57 degrees East) and strengthen the European leadership in the geostationary space technology sector, through the investment in next generation satellite solutions.

### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)



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| Private Actor 1 | Private Actor<br>1 Role | Private Actor<br>1 Sector | Relation | Private Actor 2 | Private Actor<br>2 Role | Private Actor<br>2 Sector |
|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| -               | -                       | -                         | -        | SES S.A.        | Client                  | Communications            |

### **Contact Information**

No contact information was provided at the time of the disclosure.

#### 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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### **Bank Documents**

- PROJECT DATA SHEET
- Related Press