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Quick Facts

Countries	Greece
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-06-30
Borrower	PIRAEUS BANK SA
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 70.36 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 600.30 million

Project Description

According to the Bank’s website, the project consists of an European Guarantee Fund (EGF) guarantee instrument to support new lending to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

The project aims to improve the access to finance for SMEs in Greece and hence support the economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. SMEs are the backbone of the Greek economy and thus play an important role for value creation and employment. Moreover, the proposed operation will target 100% of the loan amount eligible projects promoted by SMEs located in less developed and transition regions.

Investment Description

- European Investment Bank (EIB)

Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Piraeus Bank S.A.	Client	-

Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of 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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