### Early Warning System

# EIB-20220482 FLAG DFI FL FOR URBAN AND GREEN PRIORITIES



#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Bulgaria
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-12-20
Borrower	FUND FLAG EAD
Sectors	Construction, Infrastructure, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 42.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 85.00 million

#### **Project Description**

As stated by the EIB, the project consists of a loan to Fund FLAG to support urban renewal and rehabilitation investments in cities across Bulgaria.

The project is aimed at: i) upgrading urban green areas and open public spaces, ii) improving sustainable urban mobility, iii) renovation and reconstruction of public buildings, (schools, health centres, administrative buildings etc.), iv) upgrading small-scale basic municipal infrastructure (street network, drinking water, sewer, etc.) v) supporting climate change adaptation measures and vi) area-based integrated urban regeneration actions.

The Project will improve the provision of public facilities, amenities and services, which will result in positive economic and social externalities, in the form of a higher quality of services for businesses and economic activities as well as improvement of the quality of life of residents.



#### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

#### **Private Actors Description**

From the Fund's website:

Fund FLAG was established in March 2007 as an instrument of the central government policy for regional development. The mission of the Fund is to support Bulgarian municipalities and public companies for extending and developing of local infrastructure, providing public services and creating sustainable local authorities.

The fund has established itself as a preferred partner for successful implementation of infrastructure projects and also implementation of local government programs.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Fund FLAG EAD	Client	Construction

#### **Contact Information**

No project contacts available at the time of disclosure.

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

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet