# Early Warning System

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# **Quick Facts**

Countries	Germany
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-12-20
Borrower	LANDESBANK BADEN-WUERTTEMBERG
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 208.63 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 584.16 million

### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the project consists of an operation, with a 20% Climate Action & Environmental Sustainability (CAES) window, supporting mid-caps and public sector entities in Germany in sectors that are in line with the EIB's long-term mission.

The project consists of an unfunded risk participation scheme under a full delegation approach by which the EIB will cover up to 50% of the losses with respect to each defaulted loan of a portfolio of loans to mid-caps. Access to finance remains constrained for the time being as a result of the economic uncertainty exacerbated by the war in Ukraine, supply chain bottlenecks, energy security contributing to an economic downturn. A pressing constraint for financial intermediaries is lending capacity, particularly as the unfolding economic downturn may lead to substantial downgrades in their existing lending books and corresponding increases in their minimum capital requirements. This leads to a vicious circle of a procyclical shift of remaining lending capacity into "lower-risk" assets, which was a main contributor to the last financial crisis. Therefore, the objective of the operation is to provide financing to mid-cap companies.

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## **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.

• Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg (Financial Intermediary)

# **Private Actors Description**

As stated by Bloomberg, *Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg*, doing business as LBBW, offers banking services. The Bank provides commercial banking, savings, leasing, asset management, real estate, international business, and equity financing services. LBBW serves customers in Germany.

#### **Contact Information**

No contacts available 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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# **Other Related Projects**

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