Early Warning System

# EIB-20220940

# AERIAL MEANS FOR DISASTER PREVENTION IN GREECE



#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Greece
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-02-14
Borrower	Government of Greece
Sectors	Climate and Environment, Transport
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 349.87 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 349.87 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 465.77 million



### **Project Description**

According to the EIB, the project will finance the purchase and delivery of up to 20 new firefighting and operation coordination aircrafts and helicopters for the General Secretariat for Civil Protection (GSCP).

In detail, the aircrafts to be purchased consist of medium-sized amphibious water carrying aircraft, light amphibious water carrying aircraft, heavy water carrying helicopters, twin-engine turboprop aircraft as aerial operation centres, and twin-engine jet aircraft for first response and operations coordination, as well as associated equipment and training.

This is a large sub-operation under project 2020-0182 - COVID19 DISASTER PREVENTION & CLIMATE ADAPTATION Framework Loan.

The aim is to improve firefighting capacity of the local Hellenic Fire Corps Services, in particular forest firefighting. This is complying with the EC Green Deal and EU forest strategy for 2030. The purchase of firefighting aircraft for civil protection services is contemplated in the EIB Climate Bank Roadmap and Transport Lending Policy indicating aviation assets (or components thereof) where there is an overriding public interest (environmental, safety and security) or crisis response are eligible for financing.



#### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)



### **Contact Information**

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

#### ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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### **Bank Documents**

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet



## **Other Related Projects**

- EIB-20200182 COVID19 DISASTER PREVENTION & CLIMATE ADAPTATION
- EIB-20220942 FIRE ENGINES FOR DISASTER PREVENTION IN GREECE