### Early Warning System

# EIB-20230489 OBERBANK LOAN SME MIDCAP CLIMATE ACTION II



### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Austria, Czech Republic, Germany, Hungary, Slovakia
Specific Location	Upper Austria, and others
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-03-18
Borrower	Oberbank AG, Oberbank Leasing GmbH
Sectors	Energy, Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 163.10 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 163.10 million



#### **Project Description**

According to the EIB, the operation consists of a loan to the intermediary to support small and medium sized enterprises as well as mid-caps in Austria and other regional EU countries.

The aim is to enhance access to finance for the target beneficiaries implementing projects related to Climate Action & Environmental Sustainability.

The operation will contribute to countering the difficult economic situation following the Russian war against Ukraine and the resulting energy crisis by supporting the private sector, therefore contributing to job creation and further economic growth in Austria and other EU member states. In Upper Austria, one of the domestic markets of Oberbank, the density of industrial manufacturing mid-size enterprises is high. They still present great improvement potential in the area of energy efficiency.



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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.

• OBERBANK AG (Financial Intermediary)

### **Private Actors Description**

As stated by Bloomberg, Oberbank AG offers savings and time deposits, as well as commercial and personal loans. The Bank provides financial consultancy services to corporations, insurance, real estate services, as well as leasing and hire-purchase services. Oberbank operates numerous branch offices in Austria and maintains representative offices in other countries.

#### **Contact Information**

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

#### **Financial Intermediary - Oberbank AG:**

Website: https://www.oberbank.com/

#### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

You can submit an information request for project information at: https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/registers/request-form/reguest-form-default.htm

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### **Other Related Projects**

• EIB-20210648 OBERBANK LOAN FOR SME MIDCAPS AND GREEN INVESTM