Early Warning System

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Quick Facts

| Countries | Belgium |
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| Specific Location | Walloon Region |
| Financial Institutions | European Investment Bank (EIB) |
| Status | Approved |
| Bank Risk Rating | U |
| Voting Date | 2024-12-17 |
| Borrower | Société Wallonne du Crédit Social |
| Sectors | Energy, Finance |
| Investment Type(s) | Loan |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 547.03 million |
| Project Cost (USD) | \$ 733.01 million |

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Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the operation consists in a Framework Loan of up to EUR 500m to the 'Société Wallonne du Crédit Social', a Regional Promotional Bank specialised in Energy Efficiency (EE) renovations of private residential buildings.

The aim is to support the 'Société Wallonne du Crédit Social' (SWCS) to financially support the EE renovation of approximately 16,550 homes (individual houses or apartments) in the Walloon Region over a period of 3.5 years (2024-2027). This will contribute to the regional Renopack initiative, that notably aims to support EE renovations among less-privileged populations.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

Each sub-project will be of limited size and its negative environmental impact will be limited considering its size, its location and its technical nature.



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Investment Description

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

A Framework Loan of up to EUR 500m.

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.

• Societé Wallonne du Crédit Social (SWCS) (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

Société Wallonne du Crédit Social is a Regional Promotional Bank specialised in Energy Efficiency (EE) renovations of private residential buildings.

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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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http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints_mechanism_policy_en.pdf

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