

# EIB-20240334 CAIXABANK RISK SHARING EUROPE CLIMATE ACTION II



### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Italy, Spain
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2024-11-26
Borrower	CAIXABANK SA
Sectors	Energy, Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 157.37 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 314.75 million



#### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the operation consists of a funded delinked risk sharing with Caixabank in respect of an existing portfolio of project finance loans in the renewable energy and infrastructure sectors.

Through EIB resources, new loans will be granted to eligible renewable energy and storage transactions in Italy, Spain and across Europe.

The aim is to provide new loans to support eligible renewable energy transactions in Spain and across Europe. The operation contributes to the EU-wide target of 32% of energy from renewable sources in gross final energy consumption (RES) by 2030 as set out in the EU RE Directive (Directive (EU) 2018/2001). Additionally, it contributes to the national renewable energy targets, including Spain's Integrated National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP), which aims for 42% renewable energy in the final energy consumption (RES) by 2030.

It is envisaged for a number of projects to be located in EIB Cohesion Priority Regions. The project is therefore eligible under Article 309 (a) projects for developing less-developed regions and (c) common interest. The financing of this project would contribute to the EIB's lending priority policy on social cohesion, renewable energy and climate action.



#### **Early Warning System Project Analysis**

The EIB will verify that the projects and associated transmission lines fall within Annex II of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive (Directive 2011/92/EU amended by the EIA Directive 2014/52/EU 2011/92/EU). All the projects shall be screened in by the competent authority and be subject to an environmental impact assessment (EIA) process, in order to obtain the required environmental permits. All the projects and associated infrastructure shall be located outside Natura 2000 sites or other protected areas. The authorisation procedure and compliance with the relevant EU directives, specifically Habitats and Birds Directives (92/43/EEC and 2009/147/EC respectively), will be further assessed at appraisal, in particular the potential cumulative impacts assessment and the impacts on protected flora and fauna, including Natura 2000 sites.



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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.

• CaixaBank S.A (Financial Intermediary)



### **Private Actors Description**

According to Bloomberg, *CaixaBank, S.A.* provides banking services. The Bank offers portfolio management, insurance, investment advisory, international banking, and other specialist financial services. CaixaBank serves customers worldwide.



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

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet (ESDS) - CAIXABANK RISK SHARING EUROPE CLIMATE ACTION II