Early Warning System

EIB-20240385 RIGA WATER AND SANITATION II



Quick Facts

Countries	Latvia
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-04-07
Borrower	RIGAS UDENS SIA
Sectors	Water and Sanitation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 76.41 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 185.58 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the operation will co-finance part of the 2025-2028 investment programme of Rigas Udens, the water company for Riga and surrounding communities in Latvia. The related investments mainly include the extension and rehabilitation of water supply and wastewater collection and treatment infrastructure.

The Project cost comprises the extension and rehabilitation of water supply and wastewater collection and treatment infrastructure. Investments in water supply will reduce the non-revenue water (i.e., water that is produced but not billed due to losses and inefficiencies), while investments in wastewater collection will reduce groundwater pollution. All investments support the water utility to increase its energy and water efficiency.

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Early Warning System Project Analysis

The project will contribute to ensure compliance with key EU directives in the water sector, notably the Drinking Water Directive (2020/2184/EU), the Urban Waste Water Treatment Directive (91/271/EEC), and the Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC). Where applicable, the requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Directive 2014/52/EU, which amends the EIA Directive (2011/92/EU), and SEA Directive (2001/42/EC) will be adhered to. In such cases, before utilising any EIB funds, the Promoter shall submit the EIA to EIB for publication on EIB's website.

For any part of the project that may impact a nature conservation site, the Promoter shall provide EIB with information on the mitigating measures necessary to comply with the Habitats Directive (92/43/EEC) and the Birds Directive (2009/147/EC).



Investment Description

• European Investment Bank (EIB)



Private Actors Description

Rigas Udens is the water company for Riga and surrounding communities in Latvia.



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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector	
-	-	-	-	Rigas Udens	Client	-	



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ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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Bank Documents

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet (ESDS) - RIGA WATER AND SANITATION II

Media

• Latvian capital Riga to get water-system upgrades with €70 million EIB loan to utility Rigas udens