

 Early Warning System

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BPCE SME AND MIDCAP & CLIMATE ACTION



Quick Facts

Countries	France
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	BPCE
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 405.98 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, the European Investment Bank (EIB) has signed a loan agreement with BPCE, one of France's leading banking groups, to strengthen financial support for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and mid-caps across the country. At least 70% of the loan envelope will be allocated to SMEs.

The transaction supports the policy goals of both the EIB and the EU, with a focus on priority sectors including renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainable agriculture, agri-food value chains, sustainable transport and the circular economy. Half of the final beneficiaries will be involved in projects contributing to Climate Action and Environmental Sustainability (CA&ES;) in France. This ensures that a substantial share of the financing will support efforts to mitigate climate change and enhance environmental sustainability.



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- European Investment Bank (EIB)

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.

- [BPCE SA](#) (Financial Intermediary)



Private Actors Description

As stated by Bloomberg, *BPCE* operates as a bank. The Bank provides personal banking, insurance, loans, real estate financing, asset management, investment solutions, payments, and other financial services. BPCE serves individuals, customers, institutions, and local authorities 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>

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF EIB

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When dissatisfied with a complaint to the EIB Complaints Mechanism, citizens can then turn towards the European Ombudsman. A memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the EIB and the European Ombudsman establishes that citizens (even outside of the EU if the Ombudsman finds their complaint justified) can turn towards the Ombudsman on issues related to 'maladministration' by the EIB. Note that before going to the Ombudsman, an attempt must be made to resolve the case by contacting the EIB. In addition, the complaint must be made within two years of the date when the facts on which your complaint is based became known to you. You can write to the Ombudsman in any of the languages of the European Union. Additional details, including filing requirements and complaint forms, are available at: <http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu/atyourservice/interactiveguide.faces>