### Early Warning System

# EIB-20250612 PIRAEUS BANK L4SMES SECURITY & DEFENCE



### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Greece
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-11-12
Borrower	PIRAEUS BANK SA
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 231.84 million

### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the operation is a multi-beneficiary intermediated loan for on-lending to small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and mid-caps. At least 50% of the total amount will target enterprises active in the security and defence sector.

The aim is to finance small/medium projects carried out by SMEs and mid-caps in Greece, with a focus on companies that are active in the security and defence sector.



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A multi-beneficiary intermediated loan.

#### **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.

• Piraeus Bank S.A. (Financial Intermediary)

### **Private Actors Description**

As stated by Bloomberg, *Piraeus Bank S.A.* provides banking services. The Bank offers deposits account, credit and debit cards, consumer and mortgage loans, investments, insurance products, and other banking services. Piraeus Bank 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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