

 Early Warning System

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ASCENT RIFT VALLEY FUND II



## Quick Facts

<b>Financial Institutions</b>	European Investment Bank (EIB)
<b>Status</b>	Proposed
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	U
<b>Borrower</b>	SPECIAL PURPOSE ENTITY(IES)/FUND
<b>Sectors</b>	Finance
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Loan
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 25.00 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 120.00 million



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## Project Description

The proposed operation consists of an equity participation of up to USD 25m in the Ascent Rift Valley Fund II, a generalist, closed-ended private equity fund targeting mainly growth capital investments in small and medium-sized enterprises located primarily in East Africa.

The fund will build on the strategy followed for the predecessor fund, Ascent Rift Valley Fund I, by providing mainly growth capital to small and medium-sized enterprises. It will seek to acquire majority and / or significant minority stakes in enterprises that have a strong market position and potential for growth. Due to their relatively small size, these companies are unable to finance their growth through bank funding, or through the local capital markets.



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## Contact Information

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure

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[http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints\\_mechanism\\_policy\\_en.pdf](http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints_mechanism_policy_en.pdf)

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>



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**Bank Documents**

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