

 Early Warning System

EIB-20180143

EIP LEVANT SME FUND



## Quick Facts

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| <b>Countries</b>               | Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon         |
| <b>Financial Institutions</b>  | European Investment Bank (EIB) |
| <b>Status</b>                  | Proposed                       |
| <b>Bank Risk Rating</b>        | FI                             |
| <b>Borrower</b>                | ACCEPTABLE CORPORATE(S)        |
| <b>Sectors</b>                 | Finance                        |
| <b>Investment Type(s)</b>      | Loan                           |
| <b>Investment Amount (USD)</b> | \$ 12.00 million               |
| <b>Project Cost (USD)</b>      | \$ 60.00 million               |



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## Project Description

The project consists of a generalist, closed-ended investment fund targeting USD 60 million of commitments. The fund will provide primarily growth and expansion capital to small and medium-sized enterprises in the Levant region in the form of equity and quasi-equity investments.

The fund will seek to generate long-term capital gains from equity and quasi-equity investments in small and medium-sized enterprises predominantly in Lebanon, Jordan and Egypt. Furthermore it will support the development of the private sector in the region by increasing access to finance, reducing unemployment and attracting private and institutional investors to the region.



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## Contact Information

*\*Contact information not 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>