# EIB's technical and financial services for local energy efficiency projects

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# The EIB - the EU bank

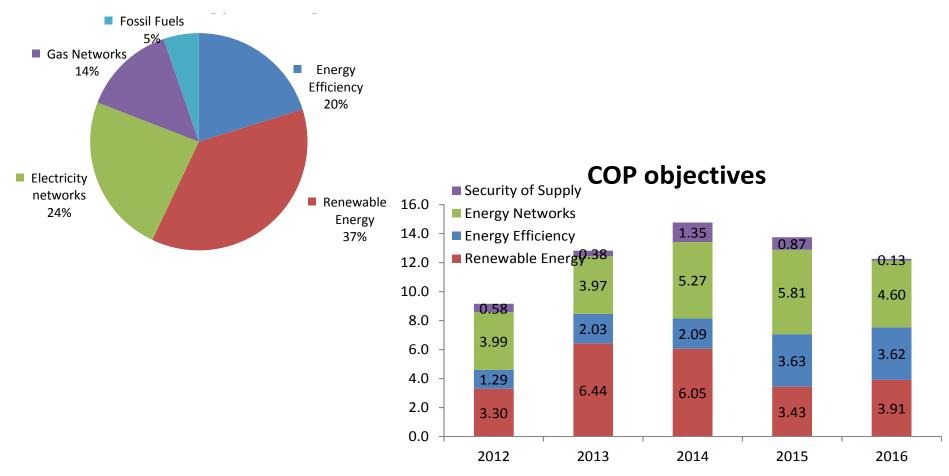


- Natural financing partner for the EU institutions since 1958
- Around 90% of lending is within the EU
- Shareholders: 28 EU Member States
- Lending volume 2016: signed EUR 74.5 bn

Investing in Europe's growth



# **EIB Energy Lending 2012-2016**

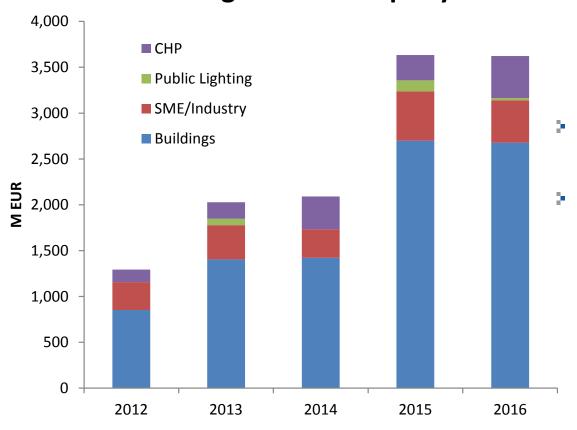


- Signatures 2012-2016: EUR 62.7 bn
- In Renewable Energy, Energy Networks, Security of Supply and Energy Efficiency



# **EIB EE Lending 2012-2016**

#### **EE Lending Breakdown per year**



- Overall EE-lending increased by 3x since 2012



# Needs and challenges of EE investments

- Poor information
- High transaction costs: fragmentation EE projects are combinations of multiple small size sub-projects
- Split incentives (e.g. tenants gain from lower bills while landlords pay for investment)
- Subsidised tariffs, reducing incentives to invest.
- Poor incentives for local banks to expand into a relatively new area of lending (capital constraints)
- Public authorities lack of technical capacity, incentives and frequently balance sheet to implement EE programmes



# EIB products available

LENDING	BLENDING	ADVISING
<ul> <li>Long term debt</li> <li>Subordinated loans</li> <li>Project finance</li> <li>Equity type</li> <li>Guarantee</li> <li>Securitisation</li> <li>Venture capital</li> <li>Growth finance</li> <li>Specific tools:</li> <li>EFSI</li> <li>PF4EE</li> <li>SFSB</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Combining EIB finance with EU budget</li> <li>(Project Bond Initiative)</li> <li>Higher risk projects for innovation (InnovFin)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>✓ EIAH (European Investment Advisory Hub)</li> <li>✓ ELENA (European Local Energy Assistance)</li> <li>✓ JASPERS (Structural Funds assistance)</li> <li>✓ fi-compass (support for managing authorities)</li> </ul>

Attracting FUNDING for long-term growth



# **Example of Investment Loan**

#### **Energy Efficiency in Bucharest Residential Buildings (Romania)**

Sector	Number of buildings	Total cost (MEUR)	EIB loan (MEUR)	Status
Sector 1	399	190	125	Completed
Sector 1 II	376	182	136.5	On-going
Sector 2	246	80	60	On-going
Sector 2 II	95	29.5	22	On-going
Sector 4	116	36	27	Completed
Sector 4 II	140	56	42	On-going
Sector 6	256	147	70	Completed
Sector 6 II	112	54.5	40	On-going
	1740	775	522.5	



# **Example Intermediated Loan: EE Walloon Social Housing**

- EE refurbishment and upgrade of 12,000 14,000 flats in social housing in Wallonia BE, including also RE where appropriate Total investment: EUR 400m (EIB co-financing: EUR 200m)
- Partner: regional social housing company supporting local social housing companies
- EE refurbishment level: low energy consumption









# **Example : Equity Fund – EFSI project**



#### **Impax Property Fund**

Barrier: Split incentives



**Solution:** Aggregation

- Infrastructure fund targeting the refurbishment of UK commercial buildings
- Renovation of 8 to 12 properties, increasing EPC ratings in at least 2 levels (30-50% energy reduction)
- Total project cost (renovation) GBP 150m
- EIB investment 25m, under EFSI



# EIB's technical and financial support for project development



# What is the Advisory Hub (EIAH)?



A joint initiative

A tool to strengthen Europe's investment environment and

improve the **quality** of investment projects



A **single access point** to a comprehensive offer of advisory and technical assistance services



An instrument to assess and **address** unmet **needs** for advisory support



A **cooperation platform** to leverage and exchange expertise (National Points of Information, Managing Authorities for structural funds)



# Advisory Hub support available for (e.g.):

- Upstream project identification
  - Providing guidance in technical feasibility and bankability of future investments, business plans etc.
- Project preparation
  - Support to promoter on structuring and preparing bankable projects and designing investment platforms for aggregating projects
- Project implementation
  - Support Project Implementation Units through consultants etc.

# **ELENA** in short

#### **European Local Energy Assistance**

- EC-EIB cooperation to support public authorities and private entities to reach 20-20-20 targets
- Technical Assistance facility: managed by EIB; funded by EU budget (H2020 Programme)
- Project development support for energy efficiency; building integrated renewables; clean urban transport
- Market replication focus (min. investment EUR 30 m)
- Investment leverage required (ratio 20 for sustainable energy;
   10 for clean urban transport; claw back possibility)
- 90% funding rate (grant)
- Budget allocation: still available; average EUR 15m per year
- First come, first served rule



# **European Local Energy Assistance - ELENA**

#### ELENA Technical Assistance

Support for Local, regional or national entities for:

- Additional personnel
- Technical studies
- Preparation of calls for tender
- Financial structuring

#### **INVESTMENT PROGRAMME EE and RE**

in public and private buildings; public lighting and traffic light network; photovoltaics, heating/cooling systems;

#### Efficient urban transport

clean and energy-efficient road transport vehicles, trams, trolleybuses, metros, and trains; investments to improve public transport;

**Local energy facilities** that support EE/RE smart grids;

infrastructure for recharging electrically powered vehicles;

information and communications technologies.



# **ELENA Project Example**

### **European Commission ELENA** funds **European Investment Bank** ELENA funds **ELENA** funded assistance **Municipality Project External expert Implementation Unit Consultants** Project Development Support **Project Project Project**





# Case study: Picardie Pass Renovation EFSI plus ELENA

- Beneficiary: Regional Public Service Company for Energy Efficiency in Picardie, France
- Objective: energy efficiency renovations of private houses (as of December 2016, 290 ongoing building sites provide work to more than 400 local craftsmen and companies, at a cost of EUR 26.3m)
- Estimated investment programme cost: EUR 52m
- ELENA grant budget: EUR 1.8m
- EIB loan: EUR 23.5m

#### **ELENA support requested:**

- ✓ Development of a public service company for EE implementing an investment programme with private home owners
- ✓ External assistance to support each homeowner in the works implementation phase
- Cooperation with partners in view of promoting the service, identifying potential homeowners and preparing contracts



# Supporting Energy Efficiency investments with Guarantee Instruments: 'Smart Finance for Smart Buildings' initiative SFSB

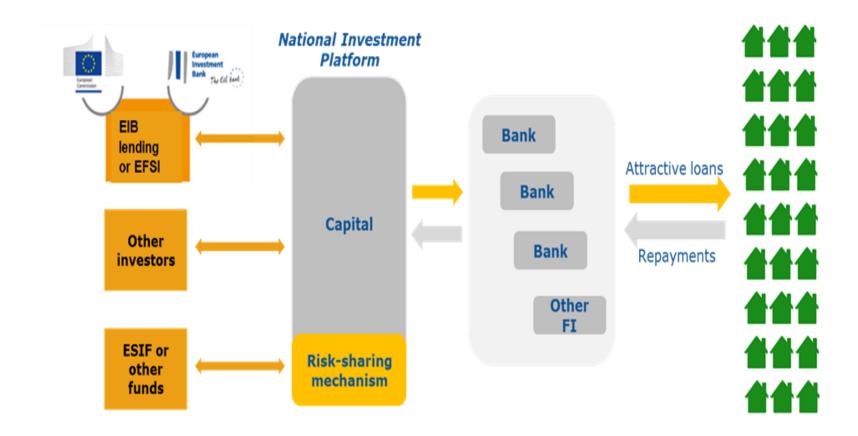


# SFSB initiative: background information

- Launched on Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 by the European Commission;
- Developed in cooperation with EIB Group (EIB/EIF);
- Part of the "Clean Energy for all Europeans" package";
- Aims to unlock EUR 10bn of public and private funds by 2020 for energy efficiency ("EE") in buildings for households and housing associations;
- Consists mainly in an **unfunded credit risk protection** fronted by **EIB Group** (European Investment Fund);
- Relies heavily on MS Contribution to the First Loss Piece (most likely ESIF ERDF);
- Contains reasonable eligibility criteria to ensure consistency with policy objectives
- May be combined with an EIB Global Loan



# Preferred set up of SFSB financial instrument





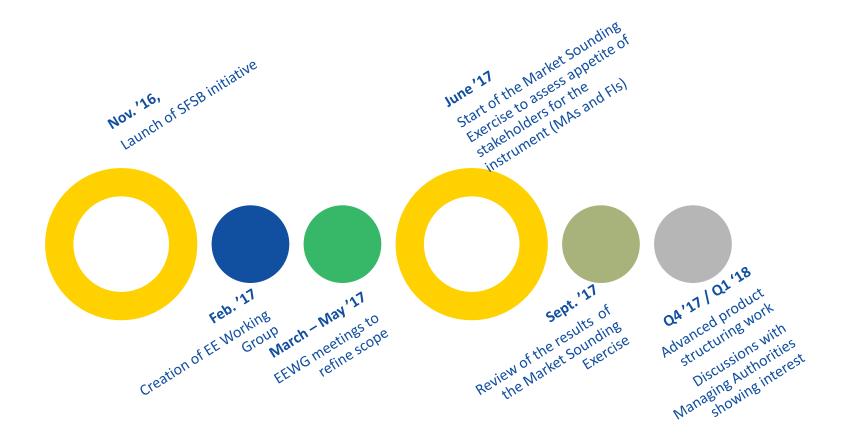
# Finding the right sweet spot for SFSB initiative

Avoid overlap with existing regional/national schemes benefiting Increase volumes of existing sufficient resources and **Energy Efficiency lending** addressing similar needs product(s) Fill the gap between the consumer loan and the mortgage loan markets Improve access to debt financing for homeowners associations when legal Existing scheme(s) at frameworks allows it national/regional level Improve access to debt financing for low-income households

Adequate product positioning to fill existing market gap Technical assistance foreseen to support product design and demand



# **Current status of the SFSB initiative**





# **Summary**

- Energy efficiency investments are a priority for EIB
- Technical Assistance is still available to develop large scale EE programmes (e.g. ELENA and European Investment Advisory Hub)
- EIB financing is available for larger and smaller projects
- Further targeted financial products are under development (see EFSI and investment platforms and SFSB)
- Significant non-technical barriers still exist
  - Standardisation including "deep refurbishment"
  - Financial performance of EE investments
  - Recognising "negative money flows" = cost savings
  - Investment decision path paved with "obstacles"



## Thank you for your attention

#### **Further information**

EIB <u>www.eib.org</u>

Advisory Hub <u>www.eib.org/eiah</u>

ELENA facility <a href="https://www.eib.org/elena">www.eib.org/elena</a>

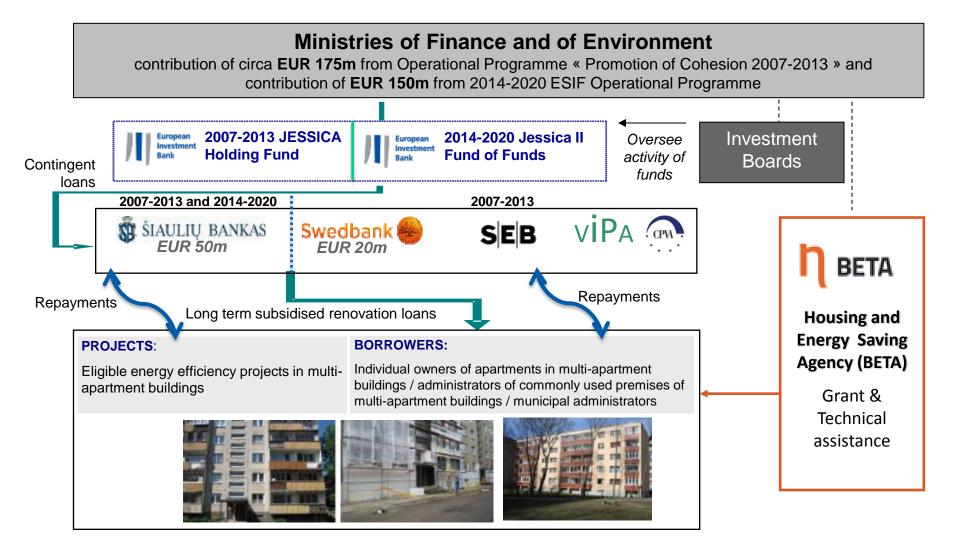


# What is fi – compass?

- fi-compass unique platform for advisory services:
  - financial instruments under the European Structural and Investment funds (ESIF) and
  - microfinance under the Programme for Employment and Social Innovation (EaSI)
- fi-compass is designed to support
  - ESIF managing authorities,
  - EaSI microfinance providers and other interested parties
- fi-compass provides
  - practical know-how
  - learning tools on financial instruments
  - "how-to" manuals, factsheets for quick reference, e-learning modules, face-to-face training seminars and networking events
- fi-compass is provided by the European Commission in partnership with the European Investment Bank
- https://www.fi-compass.eu/



# ESIF – EFSI project: Lithuanian case study





# **Example of Investment Loan**

## **Energy Efficiency Private Housing (France)**





Barrier: Fragmentation



**Solution:** Aggregation

- Refurbishment of residential buildings to reduce energy consumption by up to 75%
- One-stop shop, technical assistance, implementation and monitoring. Financial assistance provided directly by the promoters (tiers-financement) or through financial intermediaries
- Total project cost of EUR 800m. Average investment of EUR 20,000



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