

## > What is the EIB?

The European Investment Bank is the **bank of the European Union**, owned by the EU Member States. We are the world's largest multilateral borrower and lender. We provide finance and expertise for **sustainable investment projects** that make a strong, inspiring impact on people's lives, contributing to EU policy objectives in Europe and beyond.

## > 60 years in numbers

Since the EIB's inception in 1958, we have:

invested over **EUR 1.1** trillion

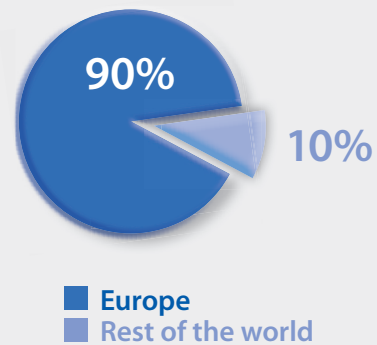
financed **11 800** projects...

... in more than **160** countries

## > Our project cycle



## > Our activity



## > Our priorities



**Innovation and skills**



**Small and medium-sized enterprises**



**Infrastructure**



**Climate and environment**

## > Our offer



**Lending**

We borrow at good rates and pass the cost advantage onto economically viable projects.



**Blending**

Our tools help clients blend our financing with additional sources of investment.



**Advising**

Companies and public authorities can call on our financial and technical expertise.

## > Putting the Investment Plan into action

- Launched by the Commission to **overcome the EU investment gap**
- Financial pillar: European Fund for Strategic Investments (**EFSI**)
- **EFSI** expected to add **690 000 jobs** in Europe by 2020