



# The EU's External Investment Plan

The new generation instrument for sustainable development

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# Why we act?

"Less than 10 per cent of Foreign Direct Investment in Africa goes to fragile regions – those that need it the most. We want our External Investment Plan to become a powerful engine of more inclusive and sustainable growth."



High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy / Vice-President of the Commission



"Our External Investment Plan marks a new approach for eradicating poverty and achieving inclusive sustainable development. By leveraging in particular private finance, our contribution of €4.1 billion will leverage up to €44 billion of investments which otherwise would not happen."

#### **Neven Mimica**

Commissioner for International Cooperation and Development

"It is in Europe's own interest that we all work to ensure sustainable and balanced economic growth in our partner countries. Involving the private sector and securing the most conducive environment for it to thrive will support these efforts."

> Commissioner for European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations











#### We continue implementing policies

- ✓ Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing for Development
- ✓ The 2017 European Consensus on Development
- ✓ Global Strategy for the EU Foreign and Security Policy
- ✓ EU Communication "The Stronger Role of the Private Sector in Achieving Inclusive and Sustainable Growth in Developing Countries"
- ✓ Revised joint priorities for cooperation under the European Neighbourhood Policy
- ✓ EU Communication "For a renewed impetus of the Africa-EU Partnership"















# What are the EIP goals?



Contribute to Sustainable Development



Improve Investment climate



Encourage private Investments



Tackle root causes of migration



Focus on jobs and growth









# Why we act?

#### Estimated global investment gap in key SDG sectors, 2015-30 Trillions of USD, annual average



Source: World Economic Forum (2015)





# Estimates of Annual Incremental Investment Needs for Africa to Achieve the SDGs



# \$ 210 Billion per year

Source: UNCTAD (2014)











#### How we act? The Three Pillar Approach



#### European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD)

- New guarantee to reduce risk
- Blending loans and grants
- Africa Investment Platform - EU Neighbourhood Investment Platform



#### **Technical Assistance**

 Support local authorities and companies preparing bankable projects

• Improving the investment climate in close engagement with the Private Sector



#### **Investment Climate**

Structured dialogue with business
Market Intelligence & Analytics
Policy and political dialogue
EU Cooperation

#### A one-stop-shop for public and private investors





# What is new?







Integrated 3-pillar approach EFSD Guarantee One-stop-shop for public and private investors





## Moving beyond classical development assistance









#### EU external cooperation MFF 2014-2020













## **Pillar 1: EFSD resources**

#### **NEW PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK – EXTERNAL INVESTMENT PLAN**

#### **European Fund for Sustainable Development (EFSD)**



\* Plus a EUR 0.75 billion contingent liability.







# **The EFSD Guarantee**

# A risk mitigation mechanism

to stimulate investments in Africa and in the Neighbourhood

#### A guarantee capacity for credit enhancement will ultimately benefit the final investments and allow risk sharing with other investors, notably private actors





Will leverage additional financing, in particular from the **private sector** (crowding in), by reducing the risk associated with specific operations

Will **provide liquidity** from its guarantee fund (liquidity cushion)





#### Pillar 1: EFSD Guarantee Eligibility criteria

# Article 9.2 of the EFSD Regulation (i.a.)

- additionality
- complementarity with other initiatives, clearly distinct, in particular from the external lending mandate operations managed by the EIB
- alignment of interest by providing adequate risk sharing
- economically and financially viable
- maximise, where possible, the mobilisation of private sector capital
- respect the principles of development effectiveness

#### Market failures or sub-optimal investment situations

#### Focus on youth and women empowerment





#### **Pillar 1: EFSD Guarantee eligible instruments**

#### Article 10.1 of the EFSD Regulation (i.a.)

- Loan, including local currency loans
- Guarantees
- Counter-guarantees
- Capital market instruments
- Any other form of funding or credit enhancement, insurance and equity or quasi-equity participations









**First investment** windows adopted





- **1. Sustainable Energy and Connectivity**
- 2. Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Financing
- 3. Sustainable Agriculture, Rural Entrepreneurs and **Agribusiness**
- 4. Sustainable Cities
- **5. Digital for Development**

Cross-cutting objective: local currency financing, focus on fragile states, not-distorting market competition InvestGlobal





**Pillar 2: Technical Assistance in support of Pillars 1 and 3** 

**Support Pillar 3** 





### **Pillar 3: Promoting a conducive investment climate**







# Pillar 3: Promoting a conducive investment climate

# Structured dialogue with business

Bring in private sector perspective on business constraints (SB4A)

#### Country analysis: sector and value chains

Market intelligence, investment opportunities, in key sectors and value chains

#### Policy and political dialogue with partner countries; EU Cooperation

Governance, reforms, value chain upgrading, TA, budget support

#### **Coherence and complementarity**

**Key role of EU Delegations** 





#### Pillar 3: Sustainable Business for Africa Platform (SB4A) Structured Dialogue for Private and Public Sector



# Building on existing work...

Bring in African and EU Business perspective on constraints and ideas for better investment climate



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# Focus on the investment windows

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#### **1. Sustainable Energy and Connectivity**

Production and access to renewable and sustainable energy, as well as good transport links, are fundamental in reducing poverty and developing sustainable inclusive economies



The lack of creditworthy off-takers is one of the key factors deterring investment in the energy sector



The weak balance sheets and poor payment track records of many national utilities is one of the reasons why many commercial banks have been unwilling to fund energy projects





Policy and regulatory barriers, market barriers, macro-economic conditions, poor governance, grid/infrastructure constraints and other investment risks are also obstructing access to finance



The EFSD guarantees shall be structured in such a way as to lower actual and perceived risks, to create conditions for mobilising private funding, including institutional investors and crowdfunding platforms, as well as developing the local capital market





### 2. Micro Small Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Financing



Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) are the main providers of employment, contributing to 66% of the job market



Their growth is constrained by limited possibilities of accessing affordable sources of financing



The EFSD Guarantee will be structured in such a way to mitigate the risks associated to investments, improve MSMEs financing and bring in the private sector with its skills and funds



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# **3. Sustainable Agriculture, Rural** Entrepreneurs and Agribusiness



Given the high risk profile of agriculture and agribusiness environment guarantees could be used to cover equity contributions or debt



Enhancing long-term financing for commercial and non-banking financial institutions





Structured funds for agribusiness finance could benefit from first loss guarantees to bring the risk profile to investment grade for private ector investors.







#### 4. Sustainable Cities



Guarantees to local service providers, to grant further access to private finance



Credit enhancement for private actors investing in municipal infrastructure and services

Guarantees to private sector operators to roll out climate-smart technologies









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# **5. Digital for Development**



Facilitating private sector investment in connecting African citizens, businesses and public institutions



Guarantees for digital service projects (i.e. e-Government services)



Improving access to finance for African start-ups and African-EU start up partnerships









Pari-passu guarantee

providing capital relief

• other

Possible applications (examples):

(partially) guaranteeing loan portfolios

#### **Basic guarantee structures**

#### Portfolio first-loss guarantee

Possible applications (examples):

- credit enhance partner FI's exposure to innovative guarantee products addressing bottlenecks to private investment
- backstop loan guarantees granted to local partner banks
- or similar



#### Second-loss guarantee

Possible applications (examples):

- Enhance risk-return profiles of first-loss and senior portfolio tranches (and thus attractiveness to investors)
- Enhance risk profile of an insurance portfolio (and thus affordability of premiums/ availability of insurance cover)
- other







# The EIP – Find your way and influence!

- One-stop-shop
  - Single entry point for investors and partn
  - Enhancing accessibility via webpage

https://ec.europa.eu/commission/external-investment-plan\_

- ✓ Structured Dialogue
  - Identifying key constraints to investment
  - Country, sector and strategic level -EU Delegations







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