

Can financial instruments help promoting rural infrastructure?

fi-compass webinar

Agenda

Date: Wednesday, 15 December 2021

Language: The webinar will be held in English. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in Bulgarian, French, Italian, Romanian, Polish and Spanish.

Moderator: **Bruno Robino**, Head of fi-compass, European Investment Bank

9.15 – 9.30 *The webinar will be available to log in*

9.30 – 9.40 **Introduction by the moderator**

9.40 – 9.55 **Opening statement**

Michael Pielke, Head of Unit F3, DG AGRI, European Commission

9.55 – 10.10 **Exploring the opportunities for financial instruments in rural infrastructure – main findings from analysis in 5 EU Member States**

Nikolaos Tritaris, Senior Investment Platform Advisor, European Investment Bank

10.10 – 10.20 *Q&A with the audience*

10.20 – 10.30 **Experience with financing small and medium municipalities in Bulgaria**

Iva Petkova, Director, Fund for local authorities and governments

10.30 – 10.40 *Q&A with the audience*

10.40 – 11.00 **Infrastructure investments and financing needs of rural municipalities in Romania**

Alexandru Potor, President of the National federation of Local Action Groups

Ioana Vasile, Senior Consultant, Ernst & Young

11.00 – 11.15 *Q&A with the audience*

11.15 – 11.35 **Financing rural infrastructure in Poland**

Marek Szczepański, Director Public programmes and EU Projects, BOS Bank

Jakub Adamski, Manager, Ernst & Young

11.35 – 11.50 *Q&A with the audience*

11.50 – 12.00 **Financing Irrigation in Aragon, Spain**

Francisco Domínguez Real, Managing Authority of Aragon, Spain

12.00 – 12.10 *Q&A with the audience*

12.10 – 12.20 **Closing remarks**

Nivelin Noev, Policy Officer, DG AGRI, European Commission