



EIF managed EAFRD financial instruments and the options for the future

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We help improve the funding environment for small Agri businesses



Factors adversely affecting access to finance

We deliver market driven solutions for lenders and investors in small businesses

Information asymmetry	Small businesses are often too small (lacking information) for banks to assess their risk	Highly innovative small businesses may be too disruptive for banks or funds to be able to assess risk and potential	Sharing risk
Regulatory environment	Bank capital adequacy ratios have led to a scarcity of capital and a decline in lending to higher risk small businesses		Providing capital relief
Economic environment	Smaller banks can face liquidity issues	Private investors can shy away from venture capital and private equity asset classes, especially in times of market downturn	Providing funding
Convergence & EU competitiveness	Small businesses in emerging sectors can lack access to funding opportunities or specialised financing partners	Europe remains structurally behind other major markets in terms of the scale of VC investments	Building ecosystem





Our unique approach

We do not invest or lend directly. We are not a bank.

We use financial instruments to address gaps, foster sustainability, multiply resources and in doing so, improve access to finance.



Our financial Agri-instruments share risk

Complementing existing grant schemes, our solutions share risk with our partners and increase the supply of finance

Grants



Financial instruments



*On aggregate based on 2020 transactions. Depending on the instrument and the transaction, the leverage achieved can range from 4x to 40x.

Source: EIF Annual Report 2020



Benefits of our approach



We multiply resources

We design financial instruments that share risk with banks and funds and, as a result multiply resources

We target funding gaps

We help our investors support new segments and target specific gaps at a European, national and local level

We nurture ecosystems

We partner with established and new providers of equity and debt financing, often taking a cornerstone position when required

Increasing the overall supply of finance for small businesses

Increasing financing options especially where markets don't work well

Increasing the number of local partners lending to and investing in small businesses



Our thematic focus



In our continued commitment to supporting SMEs across Europe and beyond, we are aligned with InvestEU and the Paris Agreement

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Competitiveness, growth and cohesion

Supporting SME growth & expansion as well as internationalisation.

Helping to build the financial ecosystem further.



Innovation

Across crucial sectors such as life sciences and health.

Harnessing disruptive technologies and fostering digital transformation.

Social impact, skills and human capital

Promoting social inclusion, diversity & wellbeing.

Nurturing impact & focussing on skills & education as well as cultural & creative sectors.

Sustainability and green transformation

Stimulating sustainable industries, products and services as well as energy efficiency and renewable energy endeavours.





Our solutions multiply resources

We design debt financial instruments that share risk facing the financing needs of EU agriculture sector.

These solutions encourage lending and investment in riskier small businesses and, as a result, increase the supply of finance.

The financing needs of EU agriculture



Great Needs for Financing and Limitations

Growth in Agri financing is needed to facilitate:

- Expansion of farms
- Necessary modernization and innovation
- Adaptation to climate change
- Promote biodiversity

Limits

Main Obstacles limiting access to finance:

- Low and volatile economic margins
- Lack of credit history or financial data, especially on innovative investments or new production practices
- Lack of assets that can be used as collateral and lack of equity capital

Our Business Plan



Our Strategy

Facilitate access to finance at better conditions for the final beneficiaries of the agricultural sector by sharing the credit risk with Financial Intermediaries and by limiting the level of collateral required as well as the interest rate.

Create a real impact on the market by supporting particular projects relating to the upscaling, the creation of added value, and the transformation of production systems.

Facilitate complementarity with grants.

Expand even further our offer and activity for financial instruments supported by EAFRD.

Our Objectives

Improve competitiveness

To strengthen the position of farmers in the supply chain and boost the competitiveness of the agri-food sector.

Address environmental and climate objectives on supporting investments on biodiversity, water and air quality, less greenhouse gas emissions, alternative ways of energy.

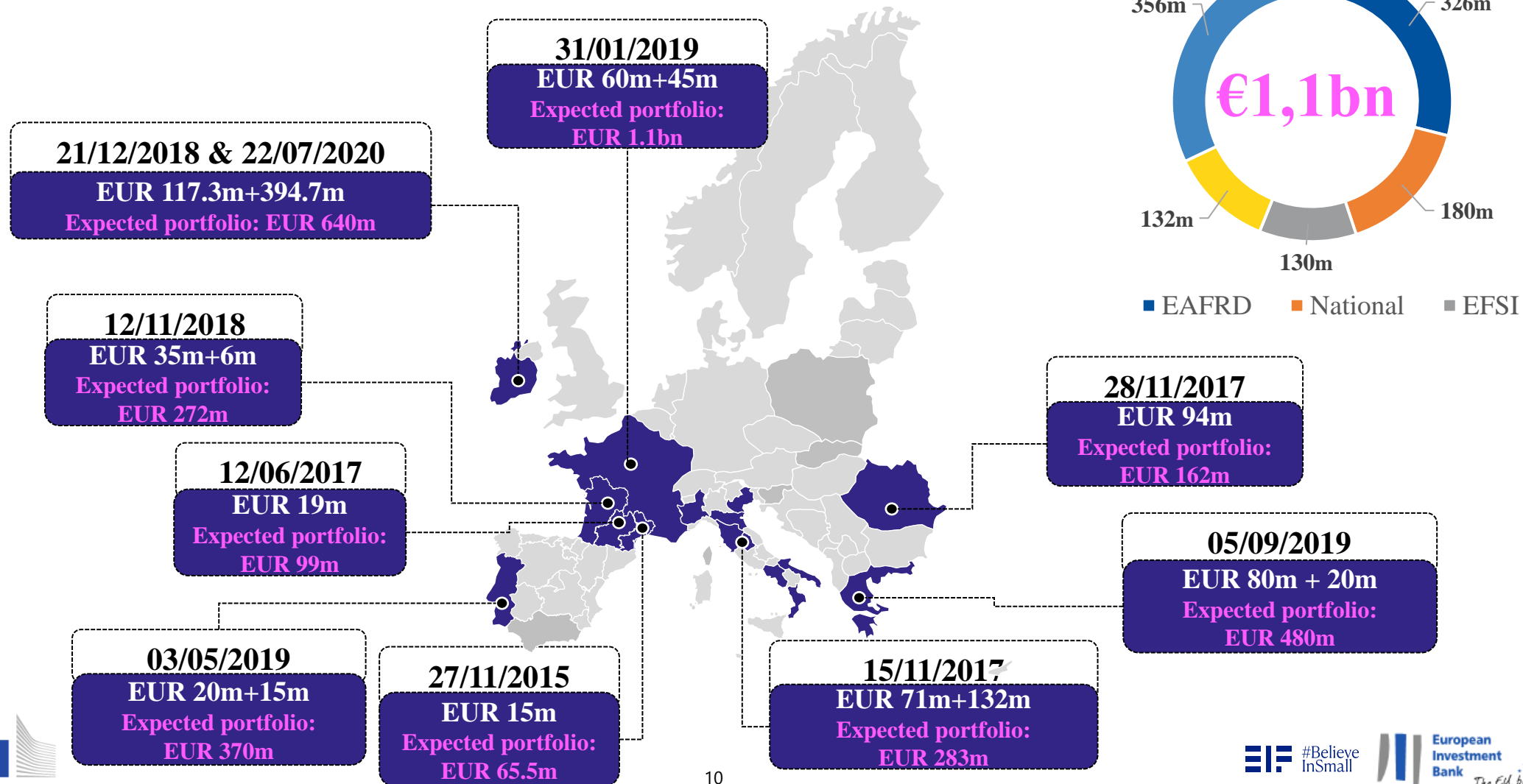
Support:

- ✓ Employment and create new jobs
- ✓ Income diversification for farmers
- ✓ Upgrade assets that no longer meet international best practices
- ✓ Innovation
- ✓ Investments to improve working conditions
- ✓ Educational reception, and
- ✓ Farm tourism

EIF and decentralised FIs in agriculture



EAFRD/national mandates and pipeline – update Q2 2021



EIF financing in agriculture



Principal amount of financing in the Agri sector*

Principal amount financed to SMEs

EUR 21.9bn

up 6.2%
from last quarter

COSME-LGF 12.1bn

InnovFin SMEG 3.9bn

CIP SMEG 0.8bn

Other 5.1bn

25% AGRI

18% AGRI

4% AGRI

10% AGRI

280k

SMEs supported

370k

Final Recipient
transactions
signed

EUR 59k

Average financing





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