### Financing migrant integration through financial instruments – Examples beyond shared management Funds

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#### **EIF supporting migrant integration in the EU**

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Key Flagshsip **Programmes** 



A wide range of **Products** 



Portfolio guarantees



**Equity investments** 



Senior & Subordinated Loans



Dedicated Teams



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## Results to date



**C. EUR 1.65bn committed to microfinance and social finance** finance intermediaries

Close to EUR 7bn expected to be generated to the benefit of companies

**Wide geographical outreach**: 31 countries covered, including Albania, North Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Turkey

c. 230k companies supported, between microenterprises and social enterprises

Portfolio of microenterprises (sample basis):72% self-employed, 30% women entrepreneurs, 24% with migrant background, 79% with no prior loan



# EIF supports InvestEU policy objectives via different financial products

Thematics	Climate & sustainability	Innovation & digitalisation	Growth & competitiveness	Social impact, inclusion, skills & education	Culture & creativity
Finance for	<i>Green innovation &amp; transformation – contributing to the EU Green Deal</i>	Innovation & digitalisation to fuel productivity & competitiveness	Higher risk, high growth & recovering smaller companies to ensure European competitiveness	Microenterprises, social enterprises as well as students and learners	Enterprises active in the CCS to help hone Europe's valuable sector & digitalise into the future
Guarantees Products	Sustainability guarantee	Innovation & digitalisation guarantee	SME competitiveness guarantee	Micro finance & social entrepreneurship guarantee Skills & education guarantee	Cultural & Creative guarantee
Equity Target areas	Climate & environmental solutions Climate & infrastructure projects	Enabling sectors	Capital Markets Union	Social impact	Digital and CCS

**Capacity Building & Advisory Activities** 

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## Example of companies



## Social enterprises supporting integration



EachOne helps refugees and new arrivals return to sustainable employment and enables corporates to train and recruit refugees and newcomers.

#### Entrepreneurs



Armenian refugee living in Italy decided to create a restaurant in Florence. Rejected by local banks and unemployed for a year, he finally found PerMicro, a microcredit company that was founded in Turin and now operates across Italy.







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# EIB support in the area of integration of migrants in the EU

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### EIB support to social & affordable housing (2018-2022)





EIB lending to social and affordable housing in 2018-2022, in MEUR (EUR 7.1 bn in total)







# EIB framework loan to NRW.BANK, Germany – Housing for refugees



- North Rhine-Westphalia most populous German region (Land), with substantial influx of refugees, stressing housing capacity
- NRW.Bank the regional promotional bank of North Rhine-Westphalia with a long-standing partnership with EIB, with previous framework loans amounting to €1.9 billion
- In March 2024, NRW.Bank and the EIB signed a framework loan of EUR 200m
- Objective: expand and upgrade refugee homes in North Rhine-Westphalia
- EIB's framework loan will enable NRW.BANK to provide favourable loans to local authorities for refugee accommodation
- Part of the funding comes from EIB's €4 billion Ukraine Support Package for EU municipalities
- Standalone product of NRW.Bank focussing on refugee housing: <u>NRW.BANK.Flüchtlingsunterkünfte</u>





### NRW.BANK refugee programme



Channeling EIB support for housing



- EIB resources combined with lending from CEB, KfW and Rentenbank der Agrarwirtschaft
- NRW.BANK combines with own resources to provide loans to local authorities under their NRW.BANK refugee programme
- Final recipients: municipalities (communes), legally dependent municipal enterprises and municipal associations
- Loans finance the construction, refurbishment and extension of residential buildings for temporarily or permanently housing refugees



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### Terms of loan to local authorities



- Type of funding: Loan
- Financing share: Up to 100% of eligible investment costs
- Maximum amount: EUR 10 million per year per applicant
- Terms:
  - 10 years with 1 year of grace for repayment
  - 20 years with 3 years of grace for repayment
- Interest rate commitment: fixed for 10 years
- Repayment:
  - in quarterly instalments after the grace period has expired
  - During the grace period, only interest payments are made on the loan amounts paid out
- Commitment fee: none





### EIB framework loan to Banca Etica, Italy – Housing for refugees



- Banca Etica cooperative bank operating in Italy since 1999
- Focus on funding projects aimed at welfare, social economy, environmental protection, innovation, international cooperation and culture.
- Today, Banca Etica and EIB signs a EUR 60m Multi-Beneficiary Intermediated Loan (MBIL)
- The loan aims to mobilise over EUR 165m in investments for social impact
- The loan will enable Banca Etica to finance operations in three areas: refugee integration, gender equality and cohesion.
- Refugee integration: Funds to improve living conditions, support labour market integration of refugees
- Combined with advisory support by EIB Advisory under the Social Inclusive Finance Technical Assistance (SIFTA) programme under the InvestEU











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**CEB's experience in financing migrant integration through financial instruments** 

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### Council of Europe Development Bank (CEB)





- The oldest multilateral development bank in Europe with an exclusively social mandate
- Set up in 1956 following the Second World War which led to a flood of refugees and displaced persons into Western Europe
- 43 members, including latest membership of Ukraine
- Supporting the principles and values of the Council of Europe (CoE) by:
  - Investing in social cohesion
  - Contributing to improving the living conditions of the most vulnerable populations in wider Europe





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### CEB financing for integration & inclusion



- Loans to national/sub-national entities and financial intermediaries to support integration and inclusion,
  - **EUR 13 billion** in loans, out of which **EUR 2.7 billion** support to the integration of **thirdcountry nationals**.
- Grants, ~ 450 million EUR sourced from the Bank, its member states, and other donors, including:
  - **EUR 37 million** under CEB's Migrant and Refugee Fund;
  - DG HOME/AMIF-funded Partnerships and Financing for Migrant Inclusion (PAFMI).
- Specialized instruments, such as the InvestEU
  Fund & Advisory Hub to leverage funds & scale-up impact







### Example of CEB support for integration



Supporting Ukrainian refugees in Lithuania

- **EUR 120 million loan** to Government of Lithuania to partfinance the extraordinary expenditures (allowances for education, health & social care) resulting from the conflict in Ukraine.
- Grant support to Government of Lithuania for:
- Renovation and equipment of migrant reception & accommodation building
- Renovation and equipment of accommodation site for unaccompanied minors with disabilities





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