

European External Action Committee

European aid, development finance and private sector to jointly foster Sustainable Development

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From DG DEVCO to DG INTPA





Key for the next years: Pandemic response and preparedness



A stronger Europe in the world

Pillars of the 'Geopolitical Commission'

5 priority areas or the Commission's work on International Partnerships

Green Deals

Circular economy; biodiversity; green and smart cities; sustainable energy; food systems: from farms to forks; water and oceans; pollution

Digital, Science, Technology & Innovation

Governance; digital connectivity; digital skills and entrepreneurship; e-services; data protection

Alliances for Sustainable Growth and Development

Sustainable investment and derisking; creation of decent jobs; education and skills; business environment and investment climate; regional economic integration, trade & connectivity

Migration partnerships

Rollt causes of irregular migration and forced displacement; migration management; durable solutions or refugees, legal pathways

Governance, Peace & Security, Human Development

Human rights, democracy, fundamental values; Human Development; rule of law and accountability; conflict prevention; sustaining peace and building resilience; fight against terrorism and organised crime





External Action budget 2021-2027





NDICI-Global Europe envelopes



NDICI-Global Europe total amount	79.462
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Geographic programmes	60.388
Neighbourhood	at least 19.323
Sub-Saharan Africa	at least 29.181
Asia and the Pacific	8.489
Americas and the Caribbean	3.395
Thematic programmes	6.358
Human Rights and Democracy	1.362
Civil Society Organisations	1.362
Peace, Stability and Conflict Prevention	908
Global Challenges	2.720
Rapid response actions	3.182
Emerging challenges and priorities cushion	9.534



Team Europe approach



















- Joint programming (JP) in the preferred approach in NDICI
- ➤ Delegations should prepare JP documents with EU MS, or indicate by when JP will be achieved.
- The Team Europe approach is a way to visibly brand and label the joint external cooperation of the EU and its Member States
- ➤ Team Europe=EU institutions+ EU MS and their implementing and finance institutions + EIB + EBRD.



Global Gateway for connectivity, energy and infrastructure



EUR 300 billion

~EUR 18 bln

grants, NDICI Global Europe ~EUR 135 bln

EFSD+

~ EUR 145 bln

European financial & development finance institutions

- EIB dedicated windows
- · Open Architecture: connectivity window
- Blending facilities

+ European Export Credit Facility



EC Grants

EC Guarantees

EU Loans



Private Investment





EEA Committee Focus



European Commission: PRAG 2021

Trends:

- ✓ Roll-out of NDICI with a larger overall budget
- ✓ Attraction of large global players
- ✓ Electronic tendering and contract management
- Less prior information on market opportunties to protect EU financial interests and collusion risks
- Harmonisation of procurement procedures with internal market
- Growing indirect management (more than 60% of total Budget)
- Less service tenders but with larger budgets
- Technical criteria difficult to meet, particularly for SMEs
- Broadening the scope for blacklisting, following EU Court of Auditors recommendation
- > Joint EFCA-FEACO meetings with DG INTPA and letters on the impact of the PRAG changes on the private sector
- > Joint EFCA-FEACO meeting with Permanent Representation of Member States in Brussels
- > External legal advice for the preparation of industry position

Next: Joint EFCA-FEACO action with Members of the European Parliament



EEA Committee Focus



European Commission and Team Europe: Global Gateway

- 1. Strategic Transport Corridors in Africa
- 2. Green Energy Initative

Trends:

- ✓ EU Delegations to prepare project pipelines
- ✓ More use of EU Technical Assistance funds for project preparation.
- ✓ Adherence to international standards for infrastructure investment
- ✓ Need for reliable and comparable sustainability project data from the early stages and for the entire project cycle
- High dispersion of EU actors managing EU grants
- No visibility of the use of Technical Assistance funding
- EFCA participation in DG INTPA consultation with private sector actors
- Joint EIC-EFCA webinar on Global Gateway with EC, EIB, AFD and KfW
- Joint EIC-EFCA Toolkit on Sustainable Procurement of infrastructure in the development context (in progress)
- Meeting with DG INTPA on Team Europe Partnerships Portal (TEPP)

Next: Participation in the EU Development Days in Brussels, focused on Global Gateway (June 14 and 15)



EEA Committee Focus



European Development Financing Institutions and MDBs: Green and inclusive infrastructure

Trends:

- ✓ Creation of a Development Branch in the EIB to support the external dimension of the Green Deal
- ✓ EIB Climate Bank Roadmap (2021-2025)
- ✓ EBRD, majority green bank by 2025
- ✓ MDBs fully supporting the green and digital transition
- ✓ FIDIC Climate Charter
- EEAC meeting with EIB on Environmental and Social Sustainability Standards in External Action
- EEAC meeting with EBRD on Sustainable Infrastructure
- EEAC meetings with FIDIC IFI Committee on joint webinar with MDBs

Next: EFCA-FIDIC webinar with MDBs on climate and inclusion targets for infrastructure projects

