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

A stronger Europe in the world

Pillars of the ‘Geopolitical Commission’

- **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

- **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

- **Alliances for Sustainable Growth and Development**
  - Sustainable investment and decarbonisation; creation of decent jobs; education and skills; business environment and investment climate; regional economic integration; trade & connectivity

- **Migration partnerships**
  - Root causes of irregular migration and forced displacement; migration management; durable solutions for refugees, legal pathways
## External Action budget 2021-2027

### NDICI-Global Europe envelopes

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<th>NDICI-Global Europe total amount</th>
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| 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

Budget

EUR 300 billion

- ~EUR 18 bln grants, NDICI Global Europe
- ~EUR 135 bln EFSD+
- ~EUR 145 bln European financial & development finance institutions

+ 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 opportunities 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
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European Commission and Team Europe: Global Gateway

1. Strategic Transport Corridors in Africa
2. Green Energy Initiative

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)
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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