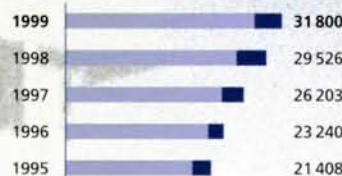


## Activity in 1999

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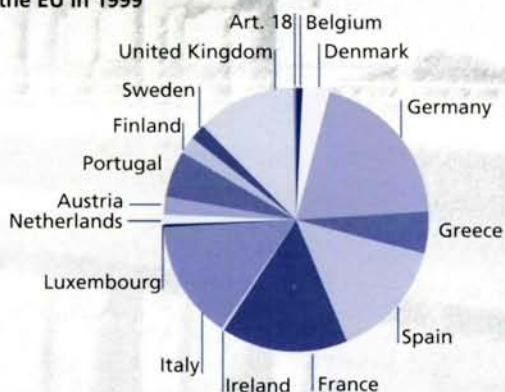


Finance contracts signed  
(EUR million)

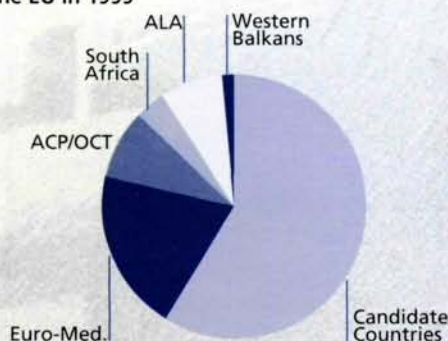


■ within the EU  
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Geographical breakdown  
of contracts signed  
in the EU in 1999



Geographical breakdown  
of contracts signed  
outside the EU in 1999



### *EIB focused on regional development, enlargement and the euro in 1999*

The European Investment Bank lent a total of EUR 31.8 billion in 1999 for investment furthering European Union policies. The Cologne European Council of EU Heads of State or Government in June confirmed the EIB's contribution to economic integration and social cohesion, calling on the Bank to take further initiatives to promote the Union's sustained economic development.

Of total **lending**, EUR 27.8 billion went for investment within the European Union, EUR 2.4 billion for integrating the EU candidate countries into the Union, and EUR 1.6 billion for enhancing development in the Mediterranean region, the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries, the Republic of South Africa, Asia and Latin America.

**Borrowings** on capital markets totalled EUR 28.3 billion, of which 41% in euro bond issues underlining the EIB's commitment to the euro and its position as prime non-governmental issuer on the euro market. The Bank also strengthened its presence with liquid benchmarks on the GBP and USD markets.

As the EIB's shareholders, the EU Member States reconfirmed their support for the Bank's activities by increasing its **subscribed capital** to EUR 100 billion from 1 January 1999, lifting the lending ceiling to EUR 250 billion and enabling the Bank to continue to develop the scope of its activities.

## Philippe Maystadt: "Quality before quantity"



### Pioneering the Euro

"As Europe's leading non-sovereign borrower, since 1996 the Bank has backed the different stages of Monetary Union and the successful launch of the single currency, the euro.

As from early 1999, the Bank brought structured operations to the euro market, tailored to investors' specific needs, as well as an **EARN issuance facility**, a benchmark for jumbo issues. This instrument in particular is designed to offer the market a first-class alternative to government issues, on a transparent and regular basis covering the entire yield and maturity curves. I think we can honestly say we have achieved this goal, having created a pool of more than 24 billion euro through seven benchmarks."

### Strengthening Economic and Social Cohesion within the Union

"Keen to foster growth and employment throughout the EU, the Bank devoted 3.3 billion euro to funding around **12 000 SME ventures** in Europe, 80% of these located in assisted areas, and to injecting equity into innovative SMEs by means of almost 40 operations conducted in partnership with the banking sector.

We are also currently preparing an additional facility for one billion euro, to promote **venture capital** for **SMEs**.

The EIB has also directed close on 1.2 billion towards financing some forty major projects and literally

*"The review of our operations in 1999 bears ample witness to the achievements of my predecessor, Sir Brian Unwin, who, during the seven years of his leadership (from 1 April 1993 to 31 December 1999), managed to turn the Bank into one of the driving forces behind European Union policy, by participating in the successful launch of the euro, strengthening economic and social cohesion and paving the way for the EU's enlargement."*

"I am especially pleased to be able to report to you that the key role played by the Bank is fully acknowledged by Member States, as well as by the EU institutions with which we cooperate closely. I can for example cite: the **increase in our capital to a level of 100 billion euro** as of 1 January 1999, providing the Bank with the necessary basis on which to take forward its activities; recent **renewal of our lending mandates outside the Union** decided by the

Council and the European Parliament entrusting us with an unprecedented amount of 18.4 billion euro over the next seven years; and, lastly, the **Conclusions of the Berlin and Cologne European Councils**, in March and June of last year, underscoring the EIB's accomplishments in support of growth and employment in Europe and mapping out the Bank's way ahead with a view to intensifying EIB operations in this area."

Speaking to  
Europe's press  
in Brussels on  
3 February 2000

hundreds of medium-scale infrastructure schemes in the **health and education sectors**. These labour-intensive sectors are very much the cornerstones for the future of our society.

Aware that a dynamic economy calls for efficient and environmentally sustainable communications, the EIB has stepped up its endeavours on two fronts of particular concern to Europe, namely trans-European networks (TENs) and the environment. Last year, more than 10 billion euro was dedicated to **European networks and infrastructure**. For the best part of ten years, we have made our presence known as the prime source of bank funding for TENs. At the same time, last year the EIB took forward its operations in support of projects safeguarding the natural environment and those enhancing the quality of urban life, with more than 6.2 billion directed to such schemes."

#### Preparing for Enlargement

Central and Eastern Europe as well as Cyprus, where the Bank has carved itself a position as the foremost source of multilateral financing, that the main thrust of activity has been concentrated, both in terms of volume, with 2.4 billion euro in 1999, and of quality.

It is particularly significant that the bulk of this financing, namely 1.5 billion out of a total of 2.4 billion, has been advanced by the EIB under our "Pre-Accession Facility", hence at our own risk and without the guarantee of the Community budget. This clearly demonstrates the Bank's resolve to play a pivotal role in preparing these countries for integration into the Union.

The second qualitative dimension to which I should like to draw attention is the gradual shift in the composi-

tion of the Bank's lending portfolio in the candidate countries: after nearly 10 years' active involvement in Central and Eastern Europe, the EIB is now in a position to foster projects in areas outside transport infrastructure, the sector which has hitherto formed the backbone of its operations in line with the requests of different European Councils and the countries themselves. It goes without saying that transport infrastructure still occupies a large proportion of our activity in these countries, and will continue to do so for a long time. Nevertheless, at the same time there has been substantial growth in our lending for industry and projects improving general living conditions, which now account for more than 51% of our loans outstanding in Central and Eastern Europe, while environmental projects alone represent 16% of our lending.

One of my personal priorities will be to ensure that the Bank continues firmly along these lines, while making the requisite internal organisational adjustments."

#### Transparency and Dialogue

"One of my other priorities will be to strengthen the Bank's presence on the Community and international stage. Indeed, I am extremely pleased to see that scarcely a European Council meeting goes by without some call or other being made upon the Bank to become tangibly and innovatively engaged in a variety of initiatives focused on balanced development of the Union.

However, I have to admit that certain misunderstandings, such as those relating to investigation of the Bank's business by the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) are due to the fact that the EIB has not always succeeded in gaining recognition of its specific status as an organisation with a dual identity: on the one

hand, a European institution fully committed to serving the Union; on the other, a bank subject to market constraints calling for retention of a certain degree of independence.

In the circumstances, I feel that we should adopt a more proactive stance. It behoves us to make patently clear how best we can support EU policies, while remaining mindful of our inherent constraints.

This is why I intend in the near future to take a number of steps to strengthen institutional dialogue with the Commission, the Council and the European Parliament with a view to increased openness and to making our actions generally better understood within the family of EU institutions."

#### Quality before quantity

"We will not be targeting volume growth. I am looking to place the emphasis more on quality. We have to ensure that our lending is directed towards meeting, as effectively as possible, the objectives handed down to us, especially those of strengthening economic and social cohesion within the EU and helping the candidate countries prepare for accession."



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## 1999 key features:

### Lending within the European Union

- 68% for projects in assisted areas, with special emphasis on Cohesion Countries
- Special stimulus for SME investment, also through venture capital
- Increased support for Trans-European Networks (TENs) and other infrastructure

### Lending outside the European Union

- Special focus on the pre-accession process in the 10 applicant countries in Central and Eastern Europe and Cyprus
- Preparation of a special infrastructure lending programme for South-Eastern Europe

- Preparation of support for reconstruction works in the earthquake-hit areas of Turkey

### Borrowing

- Approximately 90% of funding activity (before swaps) in EUR, GBP and USD
- Continuation of the Bank's proactive euro strategy, particularly through the new EARN (Euro Area Reference Note) facility: EUR 24 billion in euro benchmarks
- Sustained support for the capital markets in Central and Eastern European candidate countries.

## Lending within the European Union

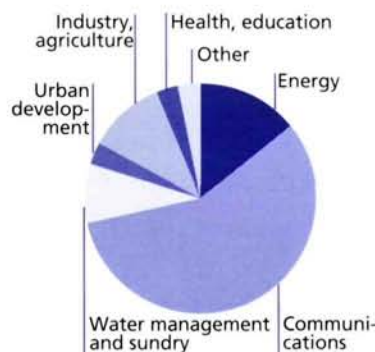


This corresponded to over two thirds of total individual loans within the Union.

EUR 7 billion went for infrastructure projects. In addition, special emphasis was placed on investment by small businesses and local public bodies with about EUR 4.6 billion in allocations for small-scale infrastructure and SME investment under global loan arrangements.

### Regional development EUR 17 billion (!)

In line with the EIB's principal task of supporting regions lagging behind in their economic development, EUR 12.5 billion in individual loans went to large-scale projects in assisted areas.



This brought total lending in assisted areas to EUR 17 billion.

(!) As certain financing operations meet several EU objectives, the amounts for the various headings cannot be meaningfully added together.

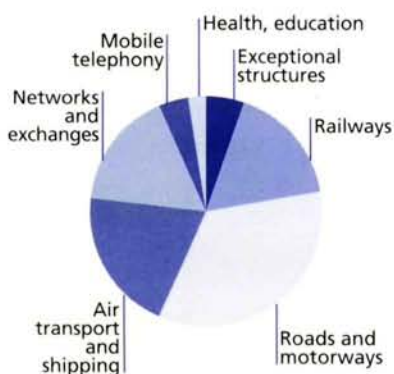
Loans for investment to correct regional disparities in the **Cohesion Countries**, particularly Greece, Spain and Portugal, increased to over EUR 7 billion and those in **Germany's Eastern Länder** amounted to EUR 2.8 billion.

### *Infrastructure of European interest* EUR 10 billion

The EIB is the leading source of bank finance for Trans-European Networks (TENs) in transport, energy and telecommunications as well as other communications infrastructure networks, crucial for integrating the economies of the European Union and the candidate countries.

Within the Union, it lent some EUR 10 billion for communications infrastructure, including 2.4 billion for telecommunications.

By the end of 1999, loans signed for priority transport and energy



TENs, identified by the Essen European Council in December 1994, had amounted to EUR 12 billion, including EUR 1.5 billion for networks extending into the Central and Eastern European applicant countries.

### Support for SMEs

EUR 3.3 billion

In response to the EU's special focus on job creation and innovation, the EIB stepped up its financing of investment by small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Under traditional **global loan** financing (broadly, lines of credit to intermediary institutions), lending to support SME investment increased to EUR 2.8 billion for 11 500 SMEs, of which 80% in assisted areas.

At the same time, the Bank promoted innovative and job-creating SMEs through **venture capital** funding under its "SME venture capital window". This was launched in late 1997 as part of the Bank's "Amsterdam Special Action Programme" (ASAP), set up to support the Amsterdam European Council's resolution on growth and employment. In June 1999, the EIB's Board of Governors agreed to increase to EUR 1 billion the reserve funded from operating surpluses and designed to cover the risk associated with the Bank's venture capital operations. So far, the Bank has approved over EUR 1 billion in support of some 40 venture capital funds throughout the Union, of which EUR 470 million in 1999.

Part of this was channelled through the European Technology Facility (ETF). The ETF, managed by the Bank's affiliate European Investment Fund (EIF), acts as a fund of funds specialising in providing equity for high-tech SMEs. In 1999, the EIB doubled its funding for the ETF to EUR 250 million.

In line with its growing role in support of Europe's venture capital industry, the Bank has become an associate member of the European Venture Capital Association (EVCA).

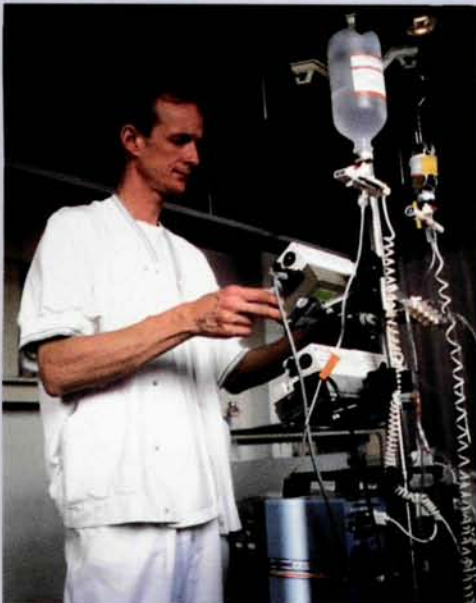


## Health and Education

EUR 1.2 billion

In support of EU policies to promote investment in human capital, the EIB lent EUR 570 million in direct loans for projects in the "social" sectors of health and education. The majority concerned educational infrastructure and hospitals, many of these in support of national schemes and programmes and some involving Public Private Partnerships. The Bank also financed small-scale projects through global loan arrangements, bringing total lending in health and education to EUR 1.2 billion.

EIB activity in support of the human-capital-related sectors of health and education developed as part of the Bank's "Amsterdam Special Action Programme". Following the EIB's Board of Governors meeting of June 1999, investment in health and education was integrated into the Bank's regular lending activity. The EIB reinforced its expertise in these relatively new fields through cooperation with the OECD in the educational sector and with the WHO in the health sector. It is also actively involved in the European Observatory on Health Care Systems, which aims to accumulate experience with and disseminate public policy tools relevant to the health sector.

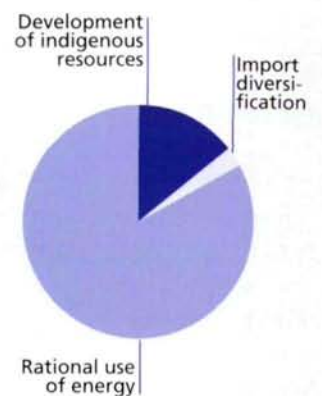


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## Energy

EUR 2.6 billion

Most EIB loans for energy projects went for investment in the rational use of energy, including combined-cycle power stations and efficient electricity supply schemes.



## Environmental protection

EUR 6.2 billion

The Bank continued its high level of lending for projects protecting and improving the natural and urban environment. Of EUR 4.5 billion in direct loans, some 45% went towards water and waste treatment projects, over 40% for projects enhancing the urban environment, notably in public

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transport and housing, and the remainder largely for investment combating atmospheric pollution. In addition, about EUR 1.7 billion in global loan finance

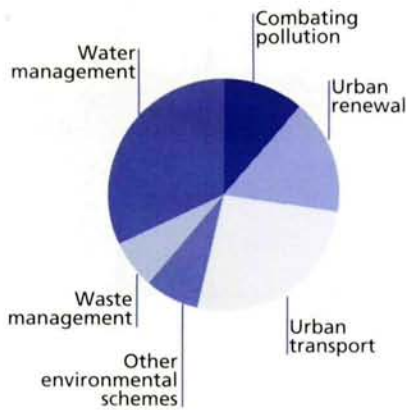
went to small public ventures in the field of environmental protection.

Furthermore, many other projects financed by the EIB have also benefited the environment, in particular investment in more rational energy use, more efficient infrastructure schemes, including small-scale projects by local authorities, and in the industrial sector through the introduction of less polluting plant and advanced technologies.

### *Industrial competitiveness* EUR 750 million

Individual loans intended to further the international competitiveness of European industry totalled EUR 750 million, of which some 95% was directed towards investment projects in assisted areas.

Projects in the paper and electronics industries benefited in particular from EIB funding in 1999.



## Earthquake reconstruction in Greece and Turkey

**Greece:** The Bank approved a EUR 900 million emergency lending facility for reconstruction in the Greater Athens area, hit by a major earthquake in September. Loans for reconstruction of industrial and urban facilities and housing will be provided over a period of 2-3 years, the first 300 million having been signed in 1999.

Another EUR 1 million was donated for urgent reconstruction of school buildings.

**Turkey:** Following the devastating earthquakes in Turkey, the EIB donated in September EUR 1 million for the reconstruction of an orphanage.

The Bank is being given a special 3-year EUR 600 million lending mandate to finance replacement, rehabilitation and reconstruction works in surface and subsurface infrastructure, industrial installations and SMEs as well as urban infrastructure and housing.



## Lending outside the European Union



Totalling EUR 4 billion, lending operations outside the EU comprised EUR 3.8 billion in loans from the EIB's own resources and 200 million in risk capital operations from budgetary resources of the European Union and the Member States.

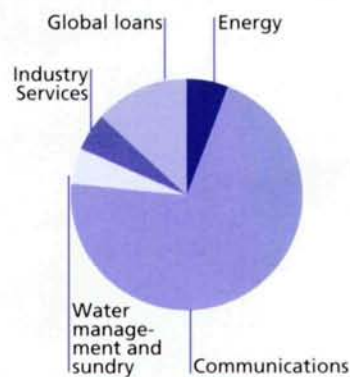
The lending envelopes available under the Bank's mandates for Central and Eastern European countries, non-Member States in the Mediterranean region, the Republic of South Africa, Asia and Latin America were committed by the end of 1999. New mandates totalling EUR 18.4 billion for the period 2000-2007 were approved at the close of the year (see box article).

### *Pre-accession support EUR 2.4 billion*

The EIB is the largest single source of international finance in the Central and Eastern European applicant countries and Cyprus, where its lending is centred on supporting the European Union's pre-accession policy. In the 10 Central and Eastern European countries, the

Bank operated under its EUR 3.5 billion general lending mandate for the region and the EUR 3.5 billion 3-year Pre-Accession Lending Facility (including Cyprus).

**Financing provided in the candidate countries in 1999**



Last year, most of the Bank's lending (EUR 1.5 billion) was under the Pre-Accession Facility, financed entirely from the Bank's own resources and without EU guarantee cover. Both the general lending mandate and the Pre-Accession Facility expired on

31 January 2000. A new increased EUR 8.5 billion Pre-Accession Lending Facility for 2000-2003 was approved by the Bank's Board of Governors in January 2000, and a new EU lending mandate for Central and Eastern European countries for the period 2000-2007 (including mandates for the FYR of Macedonia and Bosnia-Herzegovina) totals EUR 8.7 billion. These substantial new lending envelopes will enable the Bank to continue its vigorous support for progress in the candidate countries.

Under the priorities of the Pre-Accession Partnership Agreements between the EU and the candidate countries, EIB loans are geared towards projects to integrate and narrow the gap between the applicant countries and the European Union, in particular by promoting economic modernisation and the adoption of "acquis communautaire" measures to bring standards in the candidate countries into line with those of the EU. In 1999, there was growing emphasis on projects related to improvement of the quality of life and those furthering employment. Some EUR

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## A new framework for future action

As confirmation of its desire to see the Union continue providing financial assistance for regions covered by the Community budget guarantee, the Council decided, on 22 December 1999, on a new system of guarantees for EIB lending which will apply

to loans granted as from 1 February 2000 (South Africa: as from 1 July 2000). It provides for a global guarantee, from the General Budget of the European Community, amounting to 65% of aggregate lending up to an overall ceiling of 18.410 billion.

*This figure breaks down as follows:*

*EUR million*

– Central and Eastern European Countries _____	8 680
– non-member Mediterranean Countries _____	6 425
– Asian and Latin American Countries _____	2 480
– South Africa _____	825

In November 1999, the EIB's Board of Directors also approved a **new Pre-Accession Facility for an indicative amount of 8 500 million** for the period 2000 – 2003. This Facility will be reviewed periodically. Financed entirely from the Bank's own resources, it is intended to fund projects in the ten Applicant Countries of Central and Eastern Europe as well as in Cyprus and Malta and does not

benefit from the Community guarantee. The new Facility was approved by the Board of Governors on 4 January 2000.

The European Council held in Helsinki in December 1999 decided to open accession negotiations with Bulgaria, Lithuania, Romania and Slovakia plus Malta and to recognise Turkey as an Applicant Country.

700 million was directed towards a variety of schemes improving the environment, creating safe and sustainable energy supplies and supporting investment in industry and SMEs. The other 1.5 billion went to transport infrastructure, notably rail links (32%), roads and motorways (55%), and 13% for other schemes such as urban rail and air transport. EUR 135 million went for telecommunications.

In Central and Eastern Europe, the Bank cooperates closely with the European Commission, operating the European Union's

PHARE programme, as well as with other international financing institutions, notably the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the World Bank.

### *Reconstruction in South-Eastern Europe*

The EIB is participating in the international community's post-war reconstruction programme for the Balkans, drawing on its long operational experience in the region since the late 1970s. It

co-signed the "Stability Pact for South-Eastern Europe" and, in June 1999, set up a Balkan Task Force to evaluate investment needs and identify priority projects, particularly in transport and telecommunications infrastructure and the energy sector. The Task Force also coordinates EIB activity with the European Commission, the Stability Pact Coordinator and the other international financing institutions working for the reconstruction of the Balkans.

Currently, the EIB is financing infrastructure reconstruction

schemes in Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, the FYR of Macedonia and Romania. Shortly after the end of the Kosovo war, the EIB financed major road developments in the FYR of Macedonia forming crucial elements in the Balkan post-war reconstruction effort. The Bank donated EUR 600 000 to provide humanitarian aid for Kosovo refugees through international humanitarian agencies.

### *Euro-Mediterranean Partnership EUR 800 million*

The EIB's operations in support of the Euro-Mediterranean Partnership were geared towards underpinning economic liberalisation in the region. Particular emphasis was placed on investment to encourage the development of private enterprise and the modernisation of the local financial sector. EUR 335 million out of a total of 800 million (excluding Cyprus) went to investment projects in industry, while EUR 150 million was directed through local partner banks towards SME ventures and small-scale public infrastructure.

Another major concern was environmental protection, in particular the management of scarce water resources, which attracted EUR 125 million in loans, while environmental schemes in the energy sector and chemical industry were another focal point for EIB activity (over EUR 200 million). In addition, the EIB is providing funds for environmental preparatory studies, notably on sewerage and sewage disposal, under the "Mediterranean Environmental Technical Assistance Programme" (METAP). Since

METAP's launch jointly by the EIB and the World Bank in 1990, the EIB has provided EUR 11.5 million for some 80 studies. METAP aims to halt the alarming degradation of natural resources in the region through financing environmental feasibility studies and encouraging institution-building on the environmental level.

### *ACP Countries and OCT EUR 340 million*

The EIB continued to accord special emphasis to private-sector investment and lending through local banks and other financial institutions in the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) countries and the Overseas Countries and Territories (OCT) linked to certain Member States. Half of a total EUR 340 million lending (of which 145 million in risk capital) went to both large and smaller businesses.

At the same time, the Bank targeted infrastructure projects in the areas of energy generation and transmission (some EUR 100

million), communications (close on EUR 45 million) and water resource management in urban areas (some EUR 25 million). Looking ahead to the post-Lomé era, it is foreseen that the Bank will manage a revolving Investment Facility drawn from the European Development Fund to replace present risk capital resources.

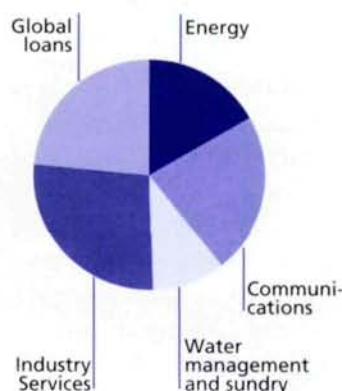
### *Republic of South Africa EUR 150 million*

A third of the EUR 150 million lent in the Republic of South Africa went to energy projects, while transport infrastructure and small-scale public investment, particularly water and wastewater management, also attracted a third each.

### *Asia and Latin America EUR 310 million*

In Asia and Latin America, EIB operations were focused on investment of mutual interest to the country concerned and the European Union, bringing together local and European operators, incorporating the transfer of European technology and know-how or involving cooperation in the fields of environmental protection and energy. The Bank also lent EUR 35 million for emergency reconstruction and expansion of capacity in the private sector in Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua following the destructive effects of Hurricane Mitch. In total, EUR 215 million was advanced in Latin America, while projects in Asia attracted almost 95 million.

**Financing provided in the other partner countries in 1999**



## Borrowing

Borrowings on the capital markets totalled EUR 28.3 billion (before swaps), mobilised through 120 operations, comprising 101 public issues and 19 private borrowings, of which 64 operations formed part of medium-term note or debt-issuance programmes. These operations were conducted in 16 currencies.

EUR 11.6 billion (41%) was borrowed in EUR, of which more than half was raised under the EARN facility. The strong presence of the euro reflects the EIB's ongoing euro strategy, launched in 1996 to support the creation of a liquid and widely diversified euro market, and the needs for euro in loan disbursements.

The Bank's funding in 1999 was also marked by a significant presence on the GBP and USD markets, essentially through benchmark issues. EUR, GBP and USD were the main currencies in the EIB's funding activity, jointly accounting for approximately 90% of issues before swaps and 97% after swaps.

### Euro funding

Under its euro strategy, in addition to tailor-made issues for specific groups of investors, the Bank launched the EARN (Euro Area Reference Note) facility in March 1999. Designed to provide investors with liquidity, transparency and a regular stream of issues, the facility has enabled the Bank to establish the only non-government yield curve in the Euro Zone, with seven liquid benchmarks totalling EUR 24 billion, on every point from 2003 to 2009. In many maturities, these bonds represent the main liquid

triple-A alternative to government bonds.

In December 1999, the EIB modified its EARN facility, providing more flexible issuance procedures to tailor supply to investors' demand. The minimum size of a benchmark EARN was reduced from EUR 2 billion to 1 billion, the target size for each EARN remaining EUR 3 to 5 billion.

### GBP and USD markets

In parallel with building up its position on the euro market, the

### Borrowings signed and raised in 1999

	Before swaps:		After swaps:	
	amount	%	amount	%
<b>EUR</b>	<b>11 646</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>12 422</b>	<b>43.8</b>
DKK	0	0.0	186	0.7
GBP	6 974	24.6	6 974	24.6
GRD	289	1.0	15	0.1
SEK	0	0.0	60	0.2
<b>Total PRE-IN</b>	<b>7 263</b>	<b>25.6</b>	<b>7 236</b>	<b>25.5</b>
<b>Total EU</b>	<b>18 909</b>	<b>66.7</b>	<b>19 658</b>	<b>69.3</b>
AUD	244	0.9	0	0.0
CAD	14	0.0	0	0.0
CHF	622	2.2	622	2.2
CZK	85	0.3	85	0.3
HKD	514	1.8	0	0.0
HUF	49	0.2	49	0.2
JPY	753	2.7	0	0.0
NOK	190	0.7	0	0.0
NZD	45	0.2	0	0.0
SKK	66	0.2	0	0.0
TWD	179	0.6	0	0.0
USD	6 447	22.8	7 825	27.6
ZAR	217	0.8	116	0.4
<b>Total non-EU</b>	<b>9 425</b>	<b>33.3</b>	<b>8 697</b>	<b>30.7</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>28 334</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>28 355</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Bank's funding strategy is to strengthen its presence on some major and highly liquid markets outside the euro area such as the GBP and USD markets, where it raised approximately 50% of its resources. On these markets, the EIB has achieved a benchmark status by means of launching very large issues or by adding fungible deals to previous transactions. The benchmark activity has been complemented with structured operations in order to cover specific investors' needs. The EIB has enjoyed highly attractive terms, which it has passed on to its own borrowers.

## Accession country markets

The EIB continued its activity in support of the growth and internationalisation of the capital markets in pre-accession countries in Central and Eastern Europe. This process was launched in 1996 and mirrors the work done in the past in the mar-

kets of the then new Member States: Greece, Portugal and Spain. The Bank's pioneering role over the period 1996-1998 encompassed issues of Euro-market bonds in Czech, Slovak and Estonian Crowns, Polish Zloty and Hungarian Forint, enabling the Bank to use the funds for offering loans in the respective local currencies. In 1999, the EIB

unveiled a Public Debt Issuance Programme in the Czech Republic, following a broadly similar initiative in Hungary in 1998 and establishing long-term benchmarks for this market segment.

## Co-operation with other EU institutions

Embedded in the European Union's institutional framework, the EIB maintains close links with other EU institutions and bodies,

in particular the European Commission, the Council of the European Union and the European Parliament.

Contacts with the Parliament have been built up over the years, including regular briefings on the Bank's activities by the President of the EIB to the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs.

Relations with the Council have been strengthened through the participation of the Bank's President in ECOFIN Council meetings.

The EIB maintains wide-ranging operational contacts with the European Commission to coordinate activities promoting the Union's economic policy objectives, as well as implementing the EU's cooperation and development aid policies. The EIB also cooperates with the European Court of Auditors and the Commission to facilitate the Court's control of EU budgetary resources which the Bank manages.

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### *Initiatives taken in 1999 and at the beginning of 2000 to strengthen EIB relations with other EU institutions and bodies included:*

- signature of a cooperation agreement between the Bank and the European Commission, reinforcing the complementarity and coherence of their respective activities in support of the Union's structural policies;
- the Bank's decision in November on co-operation with the EU's new anti-fraud office (OLAF), in particular in the investigation of suspicion of fraud in any of the Bank's operations involving the management of EU budgetary funds. In January 2000, the European Commission decided to seek a ruling from the European Court of Justice on the extent of OLAF's remit in relation to the EIB. In the meantime, the EIB will continue to work with the Commission on practical arrangements for co-operating with OLAF and assistance in the fight against fraud;
- signature of a new tripartite agreement between the EIB, the European Commission and the European Court of Auditors, governing the Court's audits of those operations in which the Bank employs EU budgetary funds.

## Balance sheet

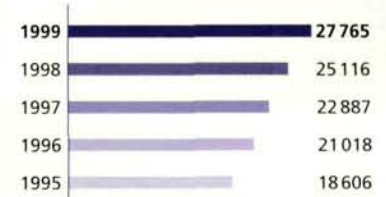
EUR 201.2 billion at 31 December 1999, outstanding borrowings totalling EUR 146.2 billion and outstanding loans amounting to EUR 178.8 billion.

## Lending within the European Union

**Financing provided** for capital investment within the European Union in 1999 totalled 27 765 million, as against 25 116 million in 1998, representing an increase of 10.5% (see detailed breakdown, table below).

The corresponding operations were financed from own resources – made up chiefly of the proceeds of the EIB's capital market borrowings as well as its own funds (paid-in capital and reserves). These operations give rise to financial commitments for the Bank and are accounted for in its balance sheet.

The EIB cooperates closely with a large number of financial institutions and commercial banks, with which it concludes global loans for financing small and medium-scale projects in the industrial, service, health, education and infrastructural sectors. It also grants individual loans through the intermediary of banks and financial institutions.



### Geographical breakdown of loans concluded (EUR million)

	1999		1995-1999	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Belgium	226	0.8	3 546	3.1
Denmark	898	3.2	3 893	3.4
Germany	5 534	19.9	19 958	17.3
Greece	1 436	5.2	4 148	3.6
Spain	4 048	14.6	15 289	13.2
France	4 295	15.5	14 568	12.6
Ireland	87	0.3	1 074	0.9
Italy	4 053	14.6	19 513	16.9
Luxembourg	105	0.4	389	0.3
Netherlands	311	1.1	2 220	1.9
Austria	606	2.2	2 251	2.0
Portugal	1 603	5.8	6 983	6.1
Finland	576	2.1	2 009	1.7
Sweden	544	2.0	3 252	2.8
United Kingdom	3 348	12.1	14 817	12.8
Art.18 (*)	97	0.3	1 483	1.3
<b>European Union</b>	<b>27 765</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>115 392</b>	<b>100</b>

#### Note:

In the following lists, the Community policy objectives with which individual loans comply are highlighted by symbols in the right-hand columns. These symbols are as follows:

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- regional development
- ★ industrial competitiveness and European integration
- ⊕ protection of the environment and urban development
- Community infrastructure
- ▼ energy
- ▲ human capital

Unless otherwise indicated, global loans cover a number of sectors and objectives.

Amounts relating to projects appearing in these lists are expressed in millions of euro.

(\*) Projects with a European dimension outside the territory of the Member States



## Belgium

Finance contracts signed: 226 million

of which

Individual loans: 77 million

Global loans: 149 million

Individual loans were directed towards the water and waste management (50 million) and industrial (27 million) sectors.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Modernisation and extension of wastewater collection and treatment facilities in Flemish Region

Aquafin N.V. \_\_\_\_\_ 49.6 ÷

Construction of plant for manufacture of ethylene and vinyl alcohol (EVOH) copolymer resins in port of Antwerp

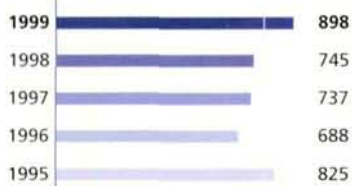
Eval Europe N.V. \_\_\_\_\_ 27.3 ★

#### Global loans

For financing small and medium-scale ventures

- KBC Bank N.V. \_\_\_\_\_ 99.2

- Banque Bruxelles Lambert S.A. \_\_\_\_\_ 49.6



## Denmark

Finance contracts signed: 898 million

of which

Individual loans: 898 million

These individual loans focused on transport (666 million), telecommunications (198 million), water and waste management (8 million) and the service sector (27 million).

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Modernisation of short and medium-haul fleet

Scandinavian Airline System-SAS \_\_\_\_\_ 105.4 ●

Construction of rail - road fixed link between Islands of Zealand and Fyn

AJS Storebæltsforbindelsen \_\_\_\_\_ 342.6 ■●

Construction of Øresund rail - road fixed link between Copenhagen (Denmark) and Malmö (Sweden)

Øresundskonsortiet \_\_\_\_\_ 102.1 ●

Construction of light railway network in Copenhagen

Ørestadsselskabet I/S \_\_\_\_\_ 115.7 ÷

Upgrading and extension of fixed and mobile telecommunications networks

Tele Danmark A/S \_\_\_\_\_ 197.9 ■●

Extension and modernisation of municipal waste processing plant at Glostrup, west of central Copenhagen

Vestforbrænding I/S \_\_\_\_\_ 7.7 ▼÷

Modernisation and automation of mail distribution system and installation of new automatic parcels distribution system in 10 sorting centres

Post Danmark A/S \_\_\_\_\_ 26.8 ●



## Germany

**Finance contracts signed: 5 534 million**  
of which  
**Individual loans: 2 292 million**  
**Global loans: 3 220 million**  
**ASAP "SME Window": 22 million**



**Individual loans** were granted for the energy sector (209 million), transport (559 million), water and waste management (327 million), urban development (249 million), industry (597 million) and health and education (351 million).

In Germany's **eastern Länder**, they were directed primarily towards health and education including, in particular, modernisation and renovation of hospitals in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern and Thuringia and improvements to the urban environment in Berlin. In addition, projects to modernise logistic mail distribution centres attracted loans both in the eastern Länder and the rest of Germany.

**Individual loans** and global loan financing in the eastern Länder accounted for more than 50% of the EIB's aggregate lending in Germany in 1999.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Modernisation and rehabilitation of electricity transmission and distribution network (Thuringia, Bavaria)

Bayernwerk AG \_\_\_\_\_ 175.9 ■▼

Renovation and modernisation of medium-voltage power grid in Leipzig region (Saxony)

Energie Sachsen Brandenburg AG \_\_\_\_\_ 12.4 ■▼

Construction of gasline from Dornumersiel (North Sea coast) to Salzwedel for delivery of Norwegian gas

Netra GmbH Norddeutsche Erdgas Transversale \_\_\_\_\_ 20.5 ■▼

Construction of motorway tunnel under Elbe in Hamburg

Arbeitsgemeinschaft (ARGE) 4. Röhre Elbtunnel \_\_\_\_\_ 153.4 ●+

Construction of urban railway network in Saarbrücken (Saarland)

Stadtbahn Saar GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 92.0 ■+

Construction of two sections of A60 motorway between Bitburg and Wittlich (Rhineland-Pfalz)

ARGE A-60 \_\_\_\_\_ 100.2 ●

Construction of tunnel under Engelberg on A81 motorway near Stuttgart (Baden-Württemberg)

ARGE Engelberg \_\_\_\_\_ 54.4 ●

Construction of motorway section to bypass town of Farchant (Bavaria)

ARGE Ortsumgehung Farchant \_\_\_\_\_ 48.3 ●

Construction of 2 x 2-lane tunnel near Bremerhaven (Lower Saxony)

ARGE Wesertunnel \_\_\_\_\_ 48.2 ■●

Construction of third terminal, high-speed train station and car park at Cologne/Bonn airport (North Rhine-Westphalia)

Flughafen Köln/Bonn GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 25.6 ●

Expansion and modernisation of Nuremberg airport (Bavaria)

Flughafen Nürnberg GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 25.6 ■●



Cologne/Bonn airport

#### Sewerage and sewage disposal schemes in:

– North Rhine-Westphalia

Wasserverband Eifel-Rur \_\_\_\_\_ 58.9 ■+

Ruhrverband \_\_\_\_\_ 23.1 ■+

– Saarland

Entsorgungsverband Saar EVS \_\_\_\_\_ 73.4 ■+

– Hamburg

Hamburger Stadtentwässerung \_\_\_\_\_ 40.0 +

– Düsseldorf

Landeshauptstadt Düsseldorf \_\_\_\_\_ 20.0 +

– Nuremberg (Bavaria)

Stadt Nürnberg \_\_\_\_\_ 18.0 +

– Baden-Württemberg

Zweckverband Bodensee-Wasserversorgung \_\_\_\_\_ 11.0 +

– Freiburg im Breisgau (Baden-Württemberg)

Stadt Freiburg im Breisgau \_\_\_\_\_ 11.0 +

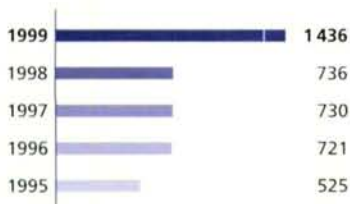
– Constance (Baden-Württemberg)

Stadt Konstanz \_\_\_\_\_ 10.6 +

– Herford (North Rhine-Westphalia)

Herforder Abwasser GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 10.6 +

Support for  
educational infrastructure



**Construction of new incineration plant for household and similar waste in Nuremberg (Bavaria)**

Thermische Abfallbehandlung Nürnberg GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 50.0 ▼➔

**Improvements to urban environment in:**

– Potsdamer Platz, central Berlin  
DaimlerChrysler AG \_\_\_\_\_ 153.4 ■➔

– Mannheim  
Stadt Mannheim \_\_\_\_\_ 31.0 ➔▲

– Stuttgart  
Landeshauptstadt Stuttgart \_\_\_\_\_ 11.0 ➔

**Extension and modernisation of Berlin trade fair**

Land Berlin \_\_\_\_\_ 75.7 ■★

**Construction of wafer manufacturing unit for production of microprocessors and design centre in Dresden (Saxony)**  
AMD Saxony Manufacturing GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 134.3 ■★

**Construction of multi-purpose pharmaceutical synthesis plant in Ingelheim (Rhineland-Pfalz)**

Boehringer Ingelheim Pharma KG \_\_\_\_\_ 30.0 ➔★

**Construction of lightweight coated paper mill in Augsburg (Bavaria)**

Haindl Papier GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 179.0 ➔★

**Logistic mail distribution centres** \_\_\_\_\_ 205.9 ■●

**Expansion of distribution centre for mail order company in Haldensleben (Saxony-Anhalt)**

Otto Versand GmbH & Co \_\_\_\_\_ 48.1 ■

**Modernisation and renovation of hospitals in**

– Mecklenburg-Vorpommern  
Land Mecklenburg-Vorpommern \_\_\_\_\_ 208.6 ■▲

– Jena, Nordhausen and Eisenberg  
Freistaat Thüringen \_\_\_\_\_ 41.4 ■▲

**Capacity increases in primary, secondary and tertiary (continuing education, evening courses) education facilities**

Land Berlin \_\_\_\_\_ 56.0 ■▲

**Extension of engineering school and building of university libraries**

Freistaat Thüringen \_\_\_\_\_ 16.0 ■▲

**Construction of building for College for Film and Television (HFF) on the site of Babelsberg film studios in Potsdam near Berlin**

Hochschule für Film und Fernsehen Konrad Wolf Potsdam-Babelsberg \_\_\_\_\_ 18.8 ■▲

**Global loans**

**For financing small and medium-scale ventures**

– Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau	754.5
– Commerzbank AG	616.0
– Deutsche Bank AG	499.7
– Landesbank Hessen Thüringen Girozentrale	352.4
– Sächsische Aufbaubank GmbH	200.0
– Landesbank Baden-Württemberg	150.9
– Landesbank Schleswig-Holstein Girozentrale	130.6
– Bremer Landesbank Kreditanstalt Oldenburg Girozentrale	102.8
– WGZ-Bank SGZ-Bank GZB-Bank	77.8
– Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG	52.6
– Dresdner Bank AG	50.0
– IKB Deutsche Industriebank	49.7
– Westdeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale	45.1
– Norddeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale	40.0
– Investitionsbank des Landes Brandenburg	36.8
– Landesbank Sachsen Girozentrale	28.9
– Landesbank Saar Girozentrale	17.6
– DGZ-DekaBank	15.2

**Operations under ASAP "SME Window"**

– Deutsche Venture Capital Gesellschaft mbH & Co Fonds II KG	15.3
– Innovationsfonds Schleswig-Holstein & Hamburg GmbH	6.8

## Greece

Finance contracts signed: 1 436 million

of which

Individual loans: 1 369 million

Global loans: 67 million

Individual loans covered the energy sector (77 million), transport (826 million), telecommunications (77 million) and industry (89 million).

Moreover, an emergency loan of 300 million was extended to Greece for the reconstruction of infrastructure damaged by the earthquake in the Greater Athens area.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

**Individual loans**

**Construction of gas-fired combined-cycle power station in Komotini (Thrace)**

DEI – Dimosia Epihirisi Ilektrismou (Public Power Corporation) \_\_\_\_\_ 77.1 ■▼

**Construction of two underground railway lines in Athens**

Attiko Metro SA \_\_\_\_\_ 320.0 ■➔

**Construction of Spata international airport (Athens)**

Athens International Airport SA \_\_\_\_\_ 173.8 ■●



Construction of ring road north of Athens, forming part of Patras–Athens–Thessaloniki trunk road and linking Athens city centre to new international airport <i>Attiki Odos JV</i> _____	286.0	■●
Construction of Patras bypass, forming part of Patras–Athens–Thessaloniki–Evzoni trunk road <i>Elliniki Dimocratia</i> _____	46.2	■●
Second phase in development of mobile telephone network <i>STET (Hellas) SA</i> _____	76.7	■●

Restoration of basic infrastructure, reconstruction and repair of SMEs and housing destroyed or damaged by Attica earthquake <i>Elliniki Dimocratia</i> _____	300.0	■
Construction of polypropylene production facilities at Aspropyrgos (near Athens) and Thessaloniki <i>Hellenic Petroleum SA</i> _____	73.0	■
Relocation of pasta manufacturing plants to industrial zone north of Athens <i>Misko Pasta Manufacturing SA</i> _____	16.0	■†★



Building the Athens metro

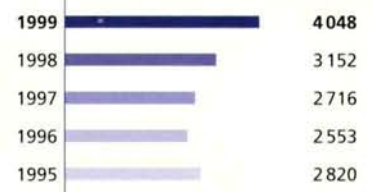
**Global loans**

For financing small and medium-scale ventures

– Alpha Credit Bank SA _____	30.4
– Ergobank SA _____	18.5
– Bank of Cyprus Ltd _____	18.3

## Spain

Finance contracts signed: 4 048 million  
of which  
Individual loans: 3 147 million  
Global loans: 874 million  
ASAP "SME Window": 27 million



Individual loans were advanced for the energy (677 million), transport (1 309 million) and telecommunications (658 million) sectors, water and waste management (144 million) and industry and services (308 million). 51 million was channelled into health and education facilities.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

**Individual loans**

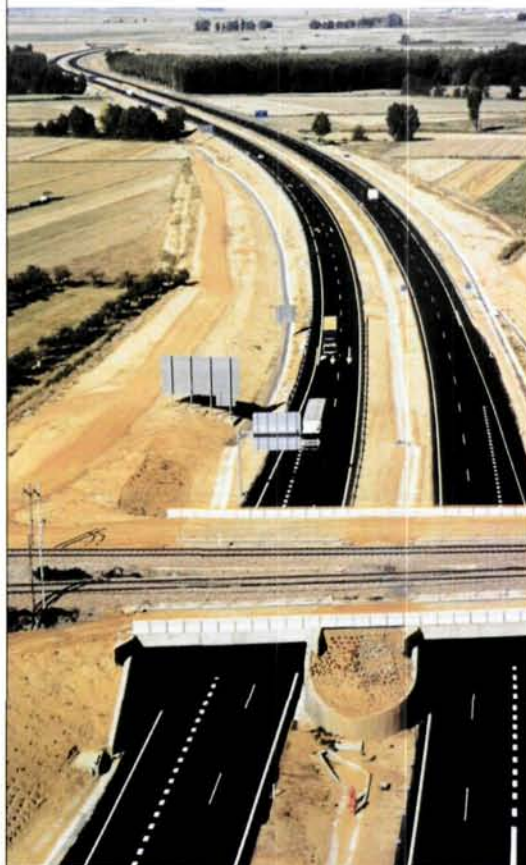
Interconnection of the high-voltage power grids of Spain and Morocco <i>Red Eléctrica de España SA</i> _____	51.1	■▼
Reinforcement and extension of electricity transmission and supply network <i>ENDESA SA</i> _____	396.0	■▼
<i>IBERDROLA SA</i> _____	230.0	■▼
Upgrading of national and suburban rail networks and modernisation of rolling stock <i>Red Nacional de los Ferrocarriles Españoles</i> _____	84.1	■●+
Extension of metropolitan rail network in Madrid <i>(ARPEGIO) Areas de Promoción Empresarial SA</i> _____	270.4	÷
Improvement of rail networks in metropolitan areas of Valencia and Alicante <i>Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat Valenciana</i> _____	12.0	■÷
Upgrading of 22 sections of national road network <i>Reino de España</i> _____	400.0	■●
Construction of three road tunnels in metropolitan area of Bilbao <i>Túneles de Artxanda, Concesionaria de la Diputación Foral de Bizkaia, SA</i> _____	40.0	■●

Improvements to regional road infrastructure <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Castilla La Mancha</i> _____	38.5	■
First construction phase of new express dual carriageway between Leon and Burgos (Castile-Leon) <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Castilla y León</i> _____	36.1	■●
Upgrading of road network in Madrid region <i>Comunidad de Madrid</i> _____	30.0	■●



Construction of a corrugated cardboard production plant near Zaragoza

León – Burgos  
motorway



<b>Improvement and extension of Barajas airport, Madrid</b> <i>Ente Público de Aeropuertos Españoles y Navegación Aérea</i> _____	147.3	■●
<b>Fleet renewal and expansion by acquisition of 20 Airbuses</b> <i>Iberia Líneas Aéreas de España SA</i> _____	150.0	●
<b>Construction of a second fixed telephone network</b> <i>Retevisión SA</i> _____	300.0	■●
<b>Modernisation of fixed telephone network</b> <i>Telefónica SA</i> _____	237.5	■●
<b>Construction of an integrated telecoms network in the Basque Country</b> <i>Euskatel SA</i> _____	120.0	■●
<b>Improvements to wastewater collection and treatment facilities in:</b>		
– <b>Catalonia Region</b> <i>Junta de Saneamiento de Cataluña</i> _____	24.0	■+/-
– <b>Valencia Region</b> <i>Entidad Pública de Saneamiento de Aguas Residuales de la Comunidad Valenciana</i> _____	42.0	■+/-
<b>Improvements to road, drinking water supply and wastewater collection and treatment infrastructure in autonomous region of Extremadura</b> <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Extremadura</i> _____	48.1	■+/-
<b>Upgrading of road network and rehabilitation of historic buildings in Aragon region</b> <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Aragón</i> _____	36.1	■●+/-

<b>Improvements to the road network and construction of water supply system in Catalonia region</b> <i>Gestio d'Infraestructures SA (Gisa)</i> _____	34.0	■●+/-
<b>Construction and upgrading of rural infrastructure in Andalusia: rural roads, dams and irrigation channels</b> <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Andalucía</i> _____	59.1	■●+/-
<b>Improvements to urban infrastructure in the municipality of Valencia</b> <i>Ayuntamiento de Valencia</i> _____	30.0	■+/-
<b>Construction of plant for production of corrugated cardboard near Zaragoza (Aragon)</b> <i>SAICA – Sociedad Anónima Industrias Celulosa Aragonesa</i> _____	70.0	■+/-
<b>Construction of newsprint and printing paper mill at Fuenlabrada, south of Madrid</b> <i>Papelera Peninsular SA</i> _____	22.8	■
<b>Modernisation and expansion of production capacity of vehicle components plant at Eskoriatza (Guipúzcoa)</b> <i>Fagor Ederlan SC</i> _____	12.0	■
<b>Construction of float glass production plant in Sagunto, near Valencia</b> <i>Glapiik AIE</i> _____	55.0	■
<b>Extension and modernisation of two supermarkets at Molina de Segura (Murcia) and Valladolid (Castile-Leon)</b> <i>Eroski Sociedad Cooperativa Limitada de Consumo SC</i> _____	18.0	■
<b>Restoration of historic monuments in Seville Cordoba, Cadiz, Granada, Malaga and Jerez regions</b> <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Andalucía</i> _____	12.0	■+/-
<b>Construction of science museum and oceanographic park in Valencia</b> <i>Ciudad de las Artes y de las Ciencias, SA</i> _____	90.0	■+/-
<b>Construction and fitting-out of new district hospital at Lugo and three local hospitals; extension or rehabilitation of hospital facilities</b> <i>Comunidad Autónoma de Galicia</i> _____	50.6	■▲

#### Global loans

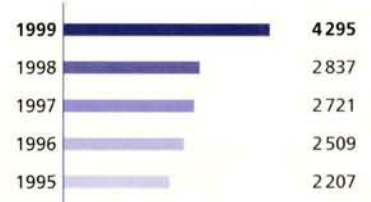
<b>For financing small and medium-scale ventures</b>		
– <i>Instituto de Crédito Oficial</i> _____	247.6	
– <i>Banco Santander Central Hispano SA</i> _____	180.0	
– <i>Banco Bilbao Vizcaya</i> _____	120.0	
– <i>Caja de Ahorros y Pensiones de Barcelona</i> _____	120.0	
– <i>Deutsche Bank SAE</i> _____	60.1	
– <i>Caja de Ahorros y Monte de Piedad de Madrid</i> _____	60.0	
– <i>Caja de Ahorros del Mediterráneo y Grupo de Empresas del Mediterráneo SA</i> _____	36.1	
– <i>Caja Laboral Popular Sociedad Cooperativa de Crédito Ltda</i> _____	30.0	
– <i>Institut Català de Finances</i> _____	20.0	

#### Operations under ASAP "SME Window"

– <i>Inversiones en Telecomunicaciones FCR, co-invested with Retevisión Móvil, SA (AMENA) and managed by Ahorro Corporación Desarrollo, SA</i> _____	19.5	
– <i>EBM Principia FCR, co-invested with Fundación Retevisión and managed by EBM, SA</i> _____	8.0	

## France

Finance contracts signed: 4 295 million  
of which  
Individual loans: 1 506 million  
Global loans: 2 778 million  
ASAP "SME Window": 11 million



Individual loans were devoted to waste management (43 million), urban infrastructure (26 million) and education (34 million). Transport schemes accounted for 1 404 million.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Motorway links financed through intermediary of Caisse Nationale des Autoroutes (CNA):

– A20: Brive-Cahors-Montauban section of Vierzon-Montauban trunk road  
ASF – Société des Autoroutes du Sud de la France SA \_\_\_\_\_ 60.0 ■●

– A66: Toulouse-Pamiers section of Paris-Toulouse-Barcelona trunk road  
ASF – Société des Autoroutes du Sud de la France SA \_\_\_\_\_ 50.0 ■●

– A83: Oulmes-Niort section  
ASF – Société des Autoroutes du Sud de la France \_\_\_\_\_ 50.0 ■●

– A29: Neuchâtel-Amiens-St Quentin section (Picardie)  
SANEF – Société des Autoroutes du Nord et de l'Est de la France \_\_\_\_\_ 15.0 ■●

Construction of motorway link between Cergy-Pontoise and Roissy-Charles de Gaulle airport, north of Paris  
Département du Val d'Oise \_\_\_\_\_ 45.7 ●

Modernisation of network operated by semi-public motorway concessionholders \_\_\_\_\_ 640.0 ■●

Extension and upgrading of road network on Guadeloupe  
Région de la Guadeloupe \_\_\_\_\_ 30.0 ■

Construction of two tramlines in Lyons  
SYTRAL – Syndicat Mixte des Transports pour le Rhône et les Alpes \_\_\_\_\_ 152.5 ÷

Acquisition of 23 A319 and A321 Airbuses  
Groupe Air France SA \_\_\_\_\_ 300.0 ●

Extension of terminals at Basle-Mulhouse airport (Alsace)  
Aéroport de Bâle-Mulhouse \_\_\_\_\_ 61.0 ●

Construction of an urban waste processing and recycling centre in St-Germain-en-Laye (Yvelines)  
Azalys SA \_\_\_\_\_ 42.8 ▼÷

Urban renewal works in Gerland district of Lyons: construction of new professional training college, creation of city park, upgrading of main traffic thoroughfare  
Communauté Urbaine de Lyon \_\_\_\_\_ 53.4 ÷▲

Improvements to urban environment in Bastia (Haute Corse)  
Ville de Bastia \_\_\_\_\_ 6.1 ■÷

#### Global loans

For financing small and medium-scale public infrastructure schemes  
Crédit Local de France \_\_\_\_\_ 1 005.3

For financing small and medium-scale ventures  
– Caisse Nationale de Crédit Agricole \_\_\_\_\_ 752.0  
– Banque Nationale de Paris \_\_\_\_\_ 400.0  
– Société Générale \_\_\_\_\_ 200.0  
– Banque Fédérative du Crédit Mutuel \_\_\_\_\_ 100.0  
– Crédit Commercial de France \_\_\_\_\_ 100.0  
– Crédit du Nord \_\_\_\_\_ 100.0  
– Caisse Centrale de Crédit Coopératif \_\_\_\_\_ 75.0  
– Compagnie Financière du Crédit Mutuel de Bretagne \_\_\_\_\_ 45.0

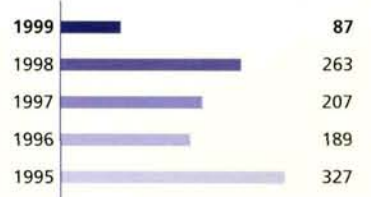
Operations under ASAP "SME Window"  
Caisse de Dépôts et Consignations \_\_\_\_\_ 11.4

Improving motorway links



## Ireland

Finance contracts signed: 87 million  
of which  
Global loans: 62 million  
ASAP "SME Window": 25 million

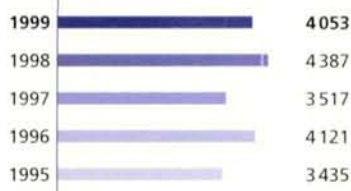


### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Global loans

For financing small and medium-scale ventures  
Allied Irish Bank \_\_\_\_\_ 61.7

Operations under ASAP "SME Window"  
Industrial Credit Corporation \_\_\_\_\_ 25.4



## Italy

Finance contracts signed: 4 053 million

of which

Individual loans: 2 920 million

Global loans: 1 118 million

ASAP "SME Window": 15 million

Individual loans were divided between the energy sector (420 million), transport (1 559 million), telecommunications (364 million) and water and waste management (325 million).

Lending to industry and the service sector accounted for 174 million, while health and education received 79 million.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Construction of a power interconnector between Italy and Greece

ENEL ..... 75.0 ■▼

Development of two onshore oil fields in Val d'Agri, near Potenza (Basilicata)

Enterprise Oil Italiana ..... 200.0 ■▼

Modernisation of part of Italian motorway network

Autostrade - Concessioni e Costruzioni Autostrade ..... 300.0 ■●

Construction of Bologna (Emilia-Romagna) - Florence (Tuscany) section of high-speed rail network

Treno Alta Velocità - TAV ..... 741.8 ●

Construction of Rome-Naples section of high-speed rail network

Treno Alta Velocità - TAV ..... 258.2 ■●

Extension of Leonardo da Vinci Fiumicino Airport

Aeroporti di Roma ..... 155.0 ●

Expansion of passenger and freight handling facilities at Malpensa Airport (Lombardy)

SEA - Società Esercizi Aeroportuali ..... 103.7 ●

Construction of fixed telecommunications network

Infostrada ..... 258.0 ■●

Modernisation of fixed telecommunications network in Mezzogiorno

Telecom Italia ..... 105.9 ■●

Technical upgrading of the water supply and distribution network in Palermo

Azienda Municipalizzata Acquedotto di Palermo ..... 36.1 ■+■

Improvements to urban environment in:

- Bologna (Emilia-Romagna)

Comune di Bologna ..... 52.0 +■

- Venice

Comune di Venezia ..... 52.0 ■+■

Technical upgrading and expansion of power distribution networks and renovation of sewage treatment works in Rome region

ACEA - Azienda Comunale Energia e Ambiente ..... 206.6 ▼+■

Restoration of infrastructure, housing, public buildings and monuments damaged by autumn 1997 earthquakes in Umbria and The Marches

Regione Marche ..... 123.0 ■

Modernisation and expansion of water heater and bathroom equipment production facilities in nine plants

Merloni Termosanitari ..... 15.5 ■★

Expansion of a submarine cable plant near Naples (Campania)

Pirelli Cavi e Sistemi ..... 16.0 ■★

Construction of bakery product factory and modernisation of existing cake factory in Melfi-San Nicola, near Potenza (Basilicata)

Barilla Alimentare ..... 22.6 ■

Forneria Lucana ..... 22.6 ■

Construction of industrial gases production facility in Sarroch (Sardinia)

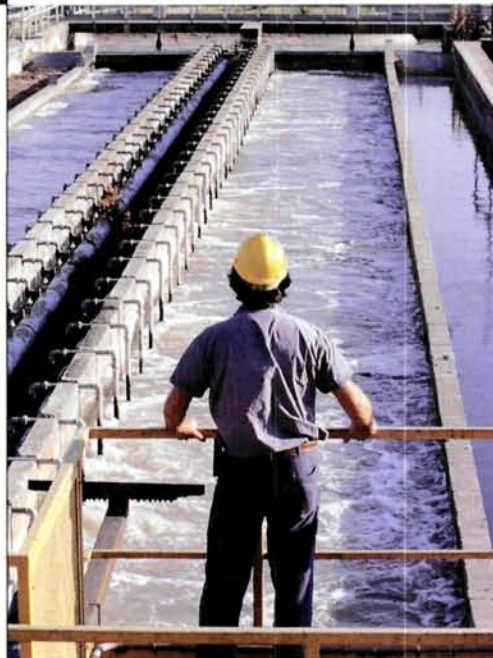
Air Liquide Italia ..... 36.2 ■+■

Extension of three tissue paper mills in Lucca province (Tuscany)

Industrie Cartarie Tronchetti ..... 5.2 ■★



Pasta manufacturing plant



Wastewater treatment plant in the Rome area

<b>Relocation of pasta manufacturing plants to Parma industrial zone (Emilia-Romagna)</b>		
Barilla Alimentare _____	20.0	■+★
<b>Construction of new fruit and vegetable wholesale market in Rome</b>		
Centro Agro-Alimentare Roma Car _____	36.2	÷
<b>Modernisation of teaching hospital in Padua (Veneto)</b>		
Azienda Ospedaliera di Padova _____	16.6	▲
<b>Expansion of technical university in Turin (Piedmont)</b>		
Politecnico di Torino _____	62.0	▲

**Global loans**

<b>For financing small and medium-scale ventures</b>	
- Banca Popolare di Verona _____	180.0
- Rolo Banca 1473 _____	180.0
- Banca Carige _____	77.5

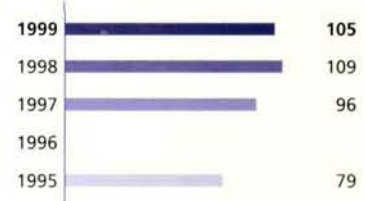
- Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena _____	75.0
- Banco di Brescia _____	60.0
- Banca Popolare dell'Emilia Romagna _____	51.7
- San Paolo IMI _____	51.7
- Banca Popolare Commercio e Industria _____	50.0
- Credito Emiliano _____	50.0
- Banca Popolare di Bergamo - Credito Varesino _____	50.0
- Cassa di Risparmio di Firenze _____	50.0
- Credito Bergamasco _____	50.0
- Cassa di Risparmio in Bologna _____	50.0
- Banca Popolare di Vicenza _____	50.0
- Efibanca _____	30.0
- Banca Popolare di Milano _____	25.8
- Banca Nazionale del Lavoro _____	25.8
- Banca Popolare di Novara _____	10.3

**Operations under ASAP "SME Window"**

Euromobiliare VC Fund - Raffaello _____	15.0
Jersey LP _____	

## Luxembourg

Finance contracts signed: 105 million  
of which  
Individual loans: 105 million



**Finance contracts signed in 1999:**

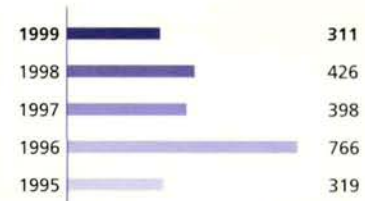
**Individual loans**

<b>Purchase of four cargo aircraft and flight simulator as part of fleet expansion and modernisation</b>	
Cargolux Airlines International SA _____	105.0 ●



## Netherlands

Finance contracts signed: 311 million  
of which  
Individual loans: 100 million  
Global loans: 211 million



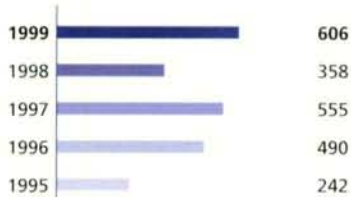
**Finance contracts signed in 1999:**

**Individual loans**

<b>Modernisation and extension of water supply system in southern region</b>	
Waterleiding Maatschappij Limburg NV _____	100.0 ÷

**Global loans**

<b>For financing small and medium-scale ventures</b>	
- Bank Nederlandse Gemeenten NV _____	136.1
- SNS Bank Nederland NV _____	75.0



## Austria

Finance contracts signed: 606 million

of which

Individual loans: 343 million

Global loans: 248 million

ASAP "SME Window": 15 million

Individual loans targeted the energy sector (129 million), transport (117 million), water management (20 million), industry and services (77 million).

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Construction of waste incineration plant producing steam for industrial use in Lenzing (Upper Austria)  
Reststoffverwertung Lenzing Invest GmbH & Co KG \_\_\_\_\_ 13.0 ▼-+★

Extension and renewal of district heating network in Vienna  
Fernwärme Wien GmbH \_\_\_\_\_ 32.0 ▼

Construction of hydroelectric power station on Danube and rehabilitation of river area downstream of Vienna  
Österreichische Donaukraftwerke AG \_\_\_\_\_ 97.0 ▼

Extension and modernisation of sewerage network in Graz  
Stadt Graz \_\_\_\_\_ 6.5 +

Modernisation of oil refinery in Schwechat, suburb of Vienna  
OMV AG \_\_\_\_\_ 73.0 ▼+.

Modernisation and expansion of medium and long-haul airline fleet  
Österreichische Luftverkehrs AG \_\_\_\_\_ 117.0 ●

Research and development in advanced technology in metal, energy and environmental engineering sectors, in Linz (Upper Austria)  
VA Technologie AG \_\_\_\_\_ 4.5 ▼-+★

#### Global loans

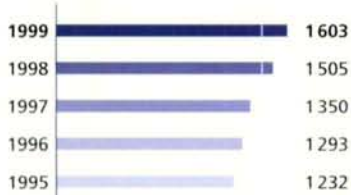
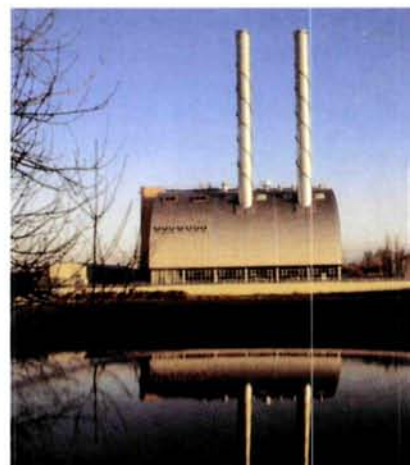
For financing small and medium-scale ventures

– Bank Austria AG \_\_\_\_\_ 182.9  
– Raiffeisen Zentralbank Österreich AG \_\_\_\_\_ 33.9  
– Österreichische Hotel und Tourismus Bank \_\_\_\_\_ 16.2  
– Bank für Arbeit und Wirtschaft AG \_\_\_\_\_ 15.0

#### Operations under ASAP "SME Window"

Invest Equity Beteiligungs AG \_\_\_\_\_ 14.5

District heating plant in Vienna



## Portugal

Finance contracts signed: 1 603 million

of which

Individual loans: 1 598 million

ASAP "SME Window": 5 million

Individual loans were concentrated on energy (121 million), transport (935 million), telecommunications (249 million), water and waste management (193 million) and industry (100 million).

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Construction and extension of natural gas transmission and supply networks in:

– northern Portugal  
Portgás – Sociedade de Produção e Distribuição de Gás SA \_\_\_\_\_ 27.9 ■▼

– Setúbal region (south)  
Setgás – Sociedade de Produção e Distribuição de Gás SA \_\_\_\_\_ 22.5 ■▼

Construction of hydro-power station on river Guadiana (Alentejo)  
Empresa de Desenvolvimento e Infraestruturas do Alqueva SA \_\_\_\_\_ 70.0 ■▼

**Upgrading of motorway network in Oporto region**

Aenor Auto-estradas do Norte SA \_\_\_\_\_ 450.0 ■●

**Modernisation, widening and construction of new motorway sections between Abrantes and Guarda in North-East**

SCUTVIAS Auto-estradas da Beira Interior SA \_\_\_\_\_ 358.3 ■●

**Improvements to sections of national trunk roads**

Junta Autónoma de Estradas \_\_\_\_\_ 127.2 ■●

**Construction of mobile telephone network**

Optimus Telecomunicações SA \_\_\_\_\_ 249.4 ■●

**Construction of urban waste incineration plant with power-generating facilities in metropolitan area of Oporto**

LIPOR – Serviço Intermunicipalizado de Tratamento de Lixos da Região do Porto \_\_\_\_\_ 45.4 ■▼+

**Extension of drinking water supply and sewerage networks in municipality of Santa Maria da Feira, south of Oporto**

Indaqua Feira – Indústria de Águas de Santa Maria da Feira \_\_\_\_\_ 80.0 ■+

**Construction of water supply and sewage collection and treatment infrastructure throughout Portugal**

Águas do Barlavento Algarvio SA \_\_\_\_\_ 8.0 ■++

Águas do Cávado SA \_\_\_\_\_ 8.0 ■++

Águas do Douro e Paiva SA \_\_\_\_\_ 10.0 ■++

Águas do Sotavento Algarvio SA \_\_\_\_\_ 8.0 ■++

Empresa Portuguesa das Águas Livres SA \_\_\_\_\_ 12.5 ■++

Sanest – Sistema Multimunicipal de Saneamento da Costa do Estoril \_\_\_\_\_ 8.0 ■++

Simria – Sistema Multimunicipal de Saneamento da Ria de Aveiro \_\_\_\_\_ 8.0 ■++

**Rehabilitation of social housing in Lisbon**

Câmara Municipal de Lisboa \_\_\_\_\_ 5.0 ■+

**Expansion of uncoated woodfree paper-making capacity at Figueira da Foz, north of Lisbon**

Soporcel – Sociedade Portuguesa de Celulose SA \_\_\_\_\_ 100.0 ■

**Operations under ASAP "SME Window"**

Banco Português de Investimento – SGPC SA \_\_\_\_\_ 5.0



Extending the natural gas network

## Finland

Finance contracts signed: 576 million

of which

Individual loans: 442 million

Global loans: 100 million

ASAP "SME Window": 34 million



Individual loans centred on the energy sector (19 million), transport (38 million), telecommunications (200 million), urban infrastructure (17 million) and industry (168 million).

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

**Individual loans**

**Rehabilitation of combined heat and power plant and improvements to urban infrastructure in Tampere**

City of Tampere \_\_\_\_\_ 30.3 ▼+

**Improvements to municipal services and port facilities in Kotka**

Kotkan Satama Oy \_\_\_\_\_ 10.0 ■●▼+

**Modernisation of six sections of rail network**

Suomen Tasavalta (Republic of Finland) \_\_\_\_\_ 33.6 ■●

**Upgrading and extension of fixed and mobile telecommunications networks**

Sonera Oyj \_\_\_\_\_ 200.0 ■●

**Modernisation of pulp production at seven paper mills**

UPM – Kymmene Corp. \_\_\_\_\_ 168.0 ■+★

**Global loans**

**For financing small and medium-scale infrastructure schemes**

Municipality Finance Ltd \_\_\_\_\_ 100.0

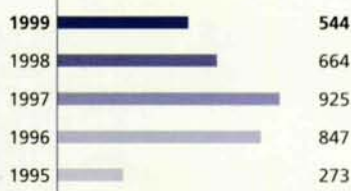
**Operations under ASAP "SME Window"**

– Eqvitec Technology Mezzanine Fund ILP \_\_\_\_\_ 16.8

– CapMan FinnVenture V ET \_\_\_\_\_ 16.8



Mobile telephony



Computerisation  
in schools and  
colleges



## Sweden



**Finance contracts signed: 544 million**  
of which  
**Individual loans: 533 million**  
**Global loans: 11 million**

**Individual loans** were divided sectorally between energy (72 million), transport (209 million), water and waste management (39 million), upgrading of urban infrastructure (16 million), as well as industry and services (140 million). In addition, 57 million was advanced in support of education facilities.

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

#### Individual loans

Extension and modernisation of district heating, cooling and power supply networks in:

– Greater Stockholm area <i>Stockholm Energi AB</i> _____	38.2	▼
– Göteborg <i>Göteborg Energi AB</i> _____	28.6	▼+
Construction of a combined heat and power plant in Eskilstuna, near Stockholm <i>Eskilstuna Energi och Miljö AB</i> _____	5.7	▼+
Construction of a waste incineration plant for heat and power generation in Umeå <i>Umeå Energi AB</i> _____	27.3	▼+
Renewal of short and medium-haul fleet <i>Scandinavian Airline System SAS</i> _____	106.6	●
Construction of Öresund rail – road fixed link between Malmö (Sweden) and Copenhagen (Denmark) <i>Øresundskonsortiet</i> _____	102.1	●
Extension and modernisation of regional wastewater treatment plant in Lidingö, in Greater Stockholm area <i>Käppalaförbundet</i> _____	11.4	+

Upgrading and extension of urban infrastructure in municipality of Umeå  
*Umeå Kommun* \_\_\_\_\_
 16.2 | + |

Environmental and energy efficiency investment at two refineries in Göteborg and Lysekil on west coast  
*Preem Petroleum AB* \_\_\_\_\_
 41.4 | ■▼+ |

Modernisation and expansion of specialty metals manufacturing plants in Sandviken, north of Stockholm  
*Sandvik AB* \_\_\_\_\_
 31.0 | ■ |

Upgrading of pulp production capacity and construction of a new sawmill in Mönsterås, north of Kalmar  
*Södra Skogsägarna Ekonomisk Förening* \_\_\_\_\_
 44.8 | ■★ |

Construction of thirteen mail sorting centres throughout Sweden  
*Posten AB* \_\_\_\_\_
 23.3 | ■● |

Modernisation and extension of primary and secondary schools in Malmö  
*City of Malmö* \_\_\_\_\_
 56.7 | ▲ |

#### Global loans

For financing small and medium-scale infrastructure schemes  
*Kommuninvest i Sverige AB* \_\_\_\_\_
 10.5 |  |

## Projects financed

### under Article 18 of the Statute

Under the second paragraph of Article 18 (1) of its Statute, the EIB provided a loan of 96.6 million for a project of direct interest to the European Union but located outside the territory of the Member States (Norway).

### Finance contracts signed in 1999:

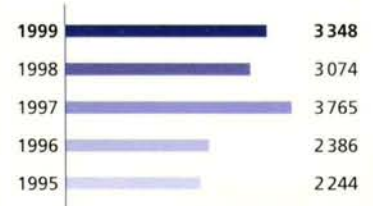
#### Individual loans

Construction of a 2x2-lane toll motorway on E18 corridor in Vestfold County <i>E18 Vestfold AS</i> _____	96.6	●
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# United Kingdom

Finance contracts signed: 3 348 million  
of which  
Individual loans: 2 800 million  
Global loans: 494 million  
ASAP "SME Window": 54 million



Individual loans were directed towards energy (459 million), transport (1 102 million), telecommunications (381 million), water management and urban renewal (385 million) and industry (473 million).

## Finance contracts signed in 1999:

### Individual loans

Extension and refurbishment of electricity transmission and supply networks in north of Scotland <i>Scottish and Southern Energy plc</i> _____	304.7	■▼
Upgrading and renewal of electricity transmission and supply networks in Northern Ireland <i>Northern Ireland Electricity plc</i> _____	154.4	■▼
Upgrading of rail link between London and Glasgow <i>Railtrack plc</i> _____	617.8	■●
Construction of new freight handling centre at Heathrow airport, London <i>British Airways plc</i> _____	141.8	●
Modernisation of long-haul fleet <i>British Airways plc</i> _____	297.7	●
Modernisation and capacity expansion at the Ports of Liverpool (Merseyside) and Sheerness (Kent) <i>The Mersey Docks and Harbour Co</i> _____	45.0	■●
Improvements to water supply, sewerage and sewage disposal infrastructure in:		
– the Midlands <i>Severn Trent Water Ltd</i> _____	154.4	■+
– South West <i>Wessex Water Services Ltd</i> _____	154.4	+
Integration of existing fixed-line telephone and cable television networks into combined voice telephony, data transmission and multimedia network <i>Cable &amp; Wireless Communications plc</i> _____	380.9	■●
Construction and refurbishment of social housing and vocational training premises in urban regeneration areas <i>THFC (Social Housing Finance) Ltd</i> _____	61.0	■+
<i>The Housing Finance Corporation Ltd</i> _____	15.2	■+
Extension and modernisation of vitamin production facility at Dalry (Scotland) <i>Roche Products Ltd</i> _____	120.1	■+
Construction of chipboard plant in Knowsley (Merseyside) <i>Sonae (UK) Ltd</i> _____	52.5	■+
Modernisation of Halewood plant (Merseyside) and adaptation to environmental standards in various plants of Ford group in UK and continental Europe <i>Ford Motor Co. Ltd</i> _____	300.0	■+

### Global loans

For financing small and medium-scale ventures	
– <i>Barclays Bank plc</i> _____	456.8
– <i>Lloyds Bank plc</i> _____	37.5

### Operations under ASAP "SME Window"

– <i>The Baring English Growth Funds</i> _____	46.3
– <i>Midland Enterprise Fund (MEF) for the North West</i> _____	2.4
– <i>HSBC Fund for Wales &amp; HSBC Fund for Yorkshire and Humberside</i> _____	2.4
– <i>MEF for the South East</i> _____	1.5
– <i>MEF for the South West</i> _____	1.1



# Lending outside the European Union

## Financing provided in 1999 (EUR million)

	Total	Own resources	Risk capital*
<b>Candidate countries</b>	<b>2 373</b>	<b>2 373</b>	
Central and Eastern Europe (of which Pre-Accession Facility)	2 173 (1 267)	2 173 (1 267)	
Cyprus (of which Pre-Accession Facility)	200 (200)	200 (200)	
<b>Euro-Mediterranean Partnership countries (excluding Cyprus)</b>	<b>802</b>	<b>745</b>	<b>56</b>
ACP/OCT	341	196	145
South Africa	150	150	
Asia and Latin America	310	310	
Western Balkans	60	60	
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 035</b>	<b>3 834</b>	<b>201</b>

\* Funded from EU or Member States' budgetary resources

### Note:

In the following list, loans from own resources are indicated by ♣, and financing operations from budgetary resources by ■.

The amounts relating to projects featured in this list are expressed in millions of euro.

The amounts of loans financed under the Pre-Accession Facility appear in italics.



## Candidate Countries

### Romania

395.5

Rehabilitation of district heating network in municipality of Cluj-Napoca

*Romania* ..... 3.5 ♣

Rehabilitation and completion of construction of motorways on Pan-European Transport Corridor IV

*Romania* ..... 210.0 ♣

Modernisation of tram network in Bucharest

*Romania* ..... 63.0 ♣

Renewal of rolling stock and infrastructure completion for Bucharest underground railway system

*Romania* ..... 60.0 ♣

Modernisation of tram network in Timisoara

*Romania* ..... 19.0 ♣

Acquisition of ATR-42 aircraft by flagship carrier TAROM and rehabilitation of airline's maintenance hangar at Bucharest Otopeni Airport

*Romania* ..... 40.0 ♣

### Slovenia

375.0

Construction of motorway section between Blagovica and Vransko on Priority Corridor V of Trans-European Road Network

*Druzba za Avtoceste v Republiki Sloveniji d.d. (DARS)* ..... 175.0 ♣

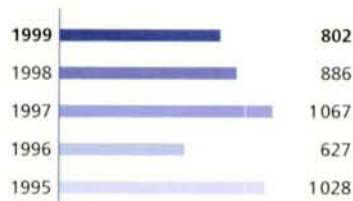
Construction of motorway section between Kozina et Srmin on Priority Corridor V of Trans-European Road Network

*Druzba za Avtoceste v Republiki Sloveniji d.d. (DARS)* ..... 160.0 ♣

Extension of the first national GSM mobile telephone network <i>Mobitel Telekomunikaciske Storitve DD</i> _____ 40.0 ❖	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to Bank Austria Creditanstalt Hungary Rt</i> _____ 20.0 ❖
<b>Poland</b> <b>347.0</b>	<b>Bulgaria</b> <b>128.0</b>
Modernisation of Minsk-Mazowiecki-Terespol section of E20 railway link between Warsaw and Terespol (Belarus border) <i>Polskie Koleje Panstwowe</i> _____ 200.0 ❖	Upgrading of the Plovdiv-Dimitrovgrad-Svilengrad rail line <i>Republic of Bulgaria</i> _____ 80.0 ❖
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to HypoVereinsbank Polska SA</i> _____ 100.0 ❖	Construction of wastewater treatment plants and sewage collectors in three towns in lower Maritsa basin <i>Republic of Bulgaria</i> _____ 28.0 ❖
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to BRE Bank SA</i> _____ 47.0 ❖	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to HypoVereinsbank Bulgaria GmbH</i> _____ 20.0 ❖
<b>Slovak Republic</b> <b>270.0</b>	<b>Latvia</b> <b>98.0</b>
Modernisation of railway network and purchase of rolling stock <i>Zeleznice Slovenskej Republiky</i> _____ 200.0 ❖	Upgrading of Ventspils port infrastructure <i>Ventspils Port Authority</i> _____ 8.0 ❖
Construction of a car production plant in Bratislava <i>Volkswagen Slovakia, a.s.</i> _____ 40.0 ❖	Modernisation of fixed-line telephone network <i>Lattelekom Ltd</i> _____ 50.0 ❖
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to Bayerische Hypo- und Vereinsbank AG, HypoVereinsbank Slovakia, a.s.</i> _____ 30.0 ❖	Refurbishment and upgrading of environmental and other municipal infrastructure <i>Republic of Latvia</i> _____ 20.0 ❖
<b>Czech Republic</b> <b>270.0</b>	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to Vereinsbank Riga AIS</i> _____ 20.0 ❖
Construction of bypasses and improvements to European trunk road network <i>Konsolidačni Banka Praha, spu</i> _____ 100.0 ❖	<b>Lithuania</b> <b>84.0</b>
Rehabilitation of priority sections of road and motorway network <i>Konsolidačni Banka Praha, spu</i> _____ 95.0 ❖	Modernisation of railway infrastructure <i>Republic of Lithuania</i> _____ 18.0 ❖
Rehabilitation and extension of water supply and sewerage networks in Prague <i>City of Prague</i> _____ 50.0 ❖	Expansion and development of GSM mobile telecommunications network <i>UAB Bite GSM</i> _____ 45.0 ❖
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to HypoVereinsbank CZ, a.s.</i> _____ 25.0 ❖	Rehabilitation and modernisation of wastewater treatment plant at Panevezys <i>Republic of Lithuania</i> _____ 6.0 ❖
<b>Hungary</b> <b>170.0</b>	Rehabilitation and upgrading of environmental protection and other municipal infrastructure <i>Republic of Lithuania</i> _____ 15.0 ❖
Construction of combined heat and power plant for energy supply to chemicals production facility in Kazincbarcika, north-eastern Hungary <i>BC - Eroemue Kft</i> _____ 20.0 ❖	<b>Estonia</b> <b>35.0</b>
Construction of new combined heat and power plant on site of existing heat and power station in Debrecen, eastern Hungary <i>Debreceni Kominalt Ciklusu Eroemue Kft</i> _____ 15.0 ❖	Rehabilitation and upgrading of sections of Via Baltica and Tallinn-Narva road <i>Republic of Estonia</i> _____ 15.0 ❖
Construction of diesel injection pump manufacturing plant in Székesfehérvár, south-west of Budapest <i>Denso Manufacturing Hungary Kft</i> _____ 35.0 ❖	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to Eesti Uhispank (Union Bank of Estonia)</i> _____ 20.0 ❖
Installation of a delayed coker at Duna refinery and upgrading of service station network <i>Magyar Olaj-és Gázipari Rt (MOL)</i> _____ 50.0 ❖	<b>Cyprus</b> <b>200.0</b>
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures <i>Global loan to Raiffeisen Bank Rt</i> _____ 30.0 ❖	Second phase of construction of oil-fired power station at Vasilikos, on south coast <i>Electricity Authority of Cyprus</i> _____ 100.0 ❖
	Extension and upgrading of main road network <i>Republic of Cyprus</i> _____ 100.0 ❖



Port of Klaipeda



## Euro-Mediterranean Partnership Countries (excluding Cyprus)

**Maghreb Countries** 395.4

**Morocco** 263.0

Track realignment and dualling of rail line between Sidi Kacem and Fez  
Office National des Chemins de fer – ONCF 55.0 ❖

Acquisition of port equipment and modernisation of infrastructure at eight major ports  
Office d'Exploitation des Ports 30.0 ❖

Modernisation and upgrading of breakwaters and jetties in six of Morocco's main ports  
Kingdom of Morocco 32.0 ❖

Rehabilitation and extension of wastewater and stormwater network and construction of a treatment plant in Meknès  
Régie autonome de distribution d'eau et d'électricité de Meknès 23.0 ❖

Rehabilitation and extension of the wastewater and stormwater network and construction of a treatment plant in Agadir  
Régie autonome Multiservices d'Agadir 21.0 ❖

Modernisation and environmental upgrading of sulphuric acid, phosphoric acid and fertiliser production units at two OCP chemical plants in Safi and Jorf Lasfar  
Office Chérifien des Phosphates 100.0 ❖

Acquisition of equity participation  
Conditional loan to Moussahama SPPP 2.0 ■

Conditional loan to Banque de Développement Economique de Tunisie, Banque de Tunisie SA, Compagnie Tunisienne d'Investissement et de Financement, Société de Participations et de Promotions des Investissements, Société d'Investissement et de Développement du Centre Ouest, Tuninvest Sicar, Tunisie Leasing, Tunisie Sicar 30.0 ■

Building up equity and quasi-equity of company specialised in management of high-quality hotels  
Conditional loan to Banque de Tunisie SA 4.3 ■

**Mashreq Countries** 298.3

**Egypt** 188.3

Construction of gas pipeline from Suez Canal to Meet Nama (north of Cairo)  
Egyptian Natural Gas Co. – GASCO 28.3 ❖

Upgrading and extension of Alexandria's wastewater collection and treatment system  
Arab Republic of Egypt 30.0 ❖

Construction of hydrocracking unit and related equipment at Suez  
MISR Oil Processing Company SAE 100.0 ❖

Construction of air separation plant near Alexandria for production of industrial gases  
Messer Gases Dekheila SAE 5.0 ❖

Financing of environmentally-friendly infrastructure serving hotel and other tourism projects in South Sinai and Red Sea areas  
Global loan to National Bank of Egypt 25.0 ❖

**Jordan** 80.0

Development of Eshidiya phosphate mine in south-east Jordan  
Jordan Phosphate Mines Company Ltd 30.0 ❖

Construction of production plant for chemical fertiliser and animal feed in Aqaba  
Kemira Arab Potash Co. Ltd 30.0 ❖

Construction of new manufacturing facilities for bromine and bromine derivatives at Safi, on southern shore of Dead Sea  
Jordan Bromine Company Ltd 20.0 ❖

**Lebanon** 30.0

Financing for industrial modernisation ventures  
Global loan to Republic of Lebanon 30.0 ❖

**Other** 108.0

**Turkey** 90.0

Expansion and rehabilitation of sewer network in Tarsus on south coast; construction of stormwater drainage network and biological wastewater treatment facility  
Republic of Turkey 38.0 ❖

**Tunisia** 132.4

Improvements to urban road networks of Greater Tunis and other major cities  
Republic of Tunisia 53.1 ❖

Landfill site development for disposal of gypsum (waste product from fertiliser production at Gabès)  
Groupe Chimique Tunisien – GCT 45.0 ❖

Building up equity of private companies undergoing modernisation and public companies recently privatised or in the course of being privatised



Rehabilitating the road network in Gaza

**Financing for combined-cycle plants for autoproduction of heat and power to cover industrial needs**

Global loan to		
– <i>Sinaiyatirim Bankasi AS (SYKB)</i>	20.0	❖
– <i>Turkiye Sinai Kalkinma Bankasi AS (TSKB)</i>	20.0	❖

**Financing of participation in investment funds**

Conditional global loan to <i>Turkiye Sinai Kalkinma Bankasi AS (TSKB)</i>	12.0	■
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**Gaza-West Bank 18.0**

Rehabilitation of small and medium-scale transport, water supply, sewerage and solid waste disposal infrastructure serving smaller communities		
<i>Palestinian National Authority</i>	10.0	❖

**Financing for small and medium-scale ventures and temporary participation in PBC's share capital**

Conditional global loan to <i>Palestinian Banking Corp.</i>	8.0	■
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## African, Caribbean, Pacific (ACP) States and OCT

**Africa 286.9**

**East Africa 94.0**

**Kenya 73.0**

Construction of new geothermal power station with associated transmission lines and sub-stations in Nairobi		
<i>Republic of Kenya for Kenya Power and Distribution Company Ltd</i>	41.0	❖

Installation of new sheet steel galvanising line at plant in Mariakani, near Mombasa		
– <i>Mabati Rolling Mills Ltd</i>	5.0	❖
– Conditional loans to <i>Mabati Rolling Mills Ltd</i>	4.0	■

**Financing for small and medium-scale ventures**

Conditional global loan to <i>ABN Amro Bank, Barclays Bank of Kenya Ltd, Crédit Agricole Indosuez, Development Bank of Kenya Ltd, East African Development Bank, Industrial Development Bank Ltd, Kenya Commercial Bank Ltd, National Bank of Kenya Ltd, Stanbic Bank Kenya Ltd, Standard Chartered Bank Kenya Ltd</i>	23.0	■
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**Uganda 11.0**

Creation of second national fixed and mobile telecommunications network		
– <i>MTN – Mobile Telephone Network Uganda Ltd</i>	6.5	❖
– Conditional loan to <i>MTN – Mobile Telephone Network Uganda Ltd</i>	3.5	■
– Conditional loan to <i>Development Finance Company of Uganda Ltd for MTN – Mobile Telephone Network Uganda Ltd</i>	1.0	■

**Tanzania 9.0**

Financing for small and medium-scale private-sector ventures		
Conditional global loan to <i>CRDB Bank Ltd, East African Development Bank and Stanbic Bank Tanzania Ltd</i>	9.0	■

**Seychelles 1.0**

Rehabilitation and extension of Le Nioi water storage and treatment plant on Mahé, the archipelago's main island		
Conditional loan to <i>Republic of Seychelles</i>	1.0	■

**West Africa 93.0**

**Senegal 81.0**

Development of national telecommunications network		
<i>Société Nationale des Télécommunications du Sénégal</i>	18.0	❖

Doubling of sulphuric and phosphoric acid production capacity at Darou plant and development of new phosphate deposit at Tobène		
<i>Industries Chimiques du Sénégal – ICS</i>	54.0	❖

Financing for small and medium-scale ventures		
Conditional global loan to <i>Banque Internationale pour le Commerce et l'Industrie du Sénégal, Compagnie Bancaire de l'Afrique Occidentale, Crédit Lyonnais Sénégal, Société Générale de Banques au Sénégal SA</i>	8.0	■

Financing for small and medium-scale ventures and leasing operations		
Conditional global loan to <i>Société Financière d'Équipement SA</i>	1.0	■

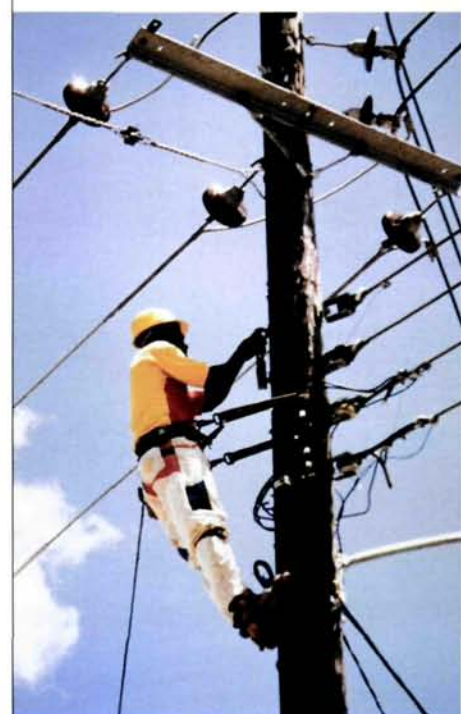
**Mauritania 6.0**

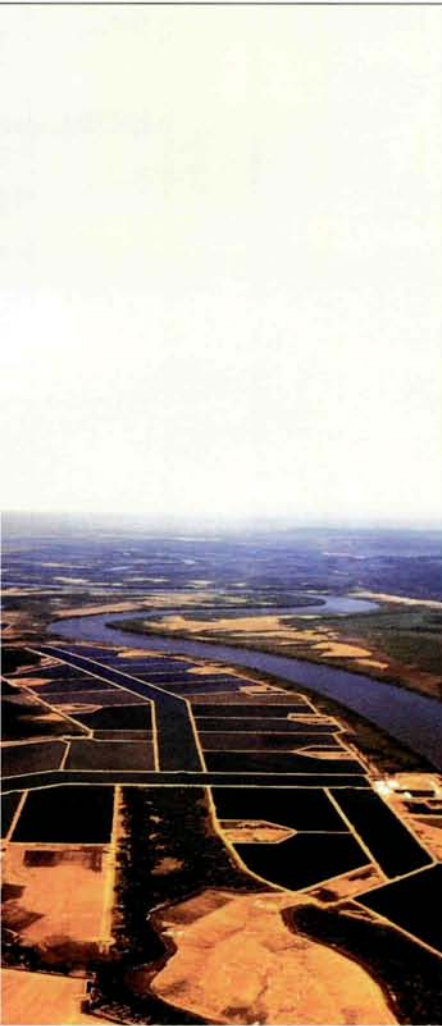
Mining of granite deposits in regions of Choum and Atar		
Conditional loan to <i>Granits et Marbres de Mauritanie SA</i>	3.0	■

Financing for small and medium-scale ventures		
Conditional global loan to <i>Générale de Banque de Mauritanie</i>	3.0	■

**Regional – West Africa 6.0**

Participation in regional enterprise fund for development of private-sector companies in West Africa		
Conditional loan to <i>West Africa Enterprise Fund</i>	6.0	■





Shrimp farming in Madagascar

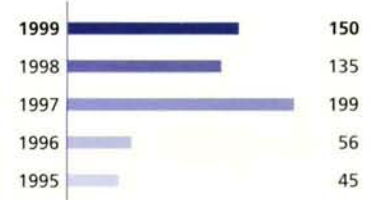
<b>Southern Africa</b>	<b>84.9</b>		<b>Central and Equatorial Africa</b>	<b>15.0</b>
<b>Mozambique</b>	<b>42.4</b>		<b>Cameroon</b>	<b>15.0</b>
Interconnection between electricity transmission grids of South Africa, Swaziland and Mozambique and power supply to Mozal aluminium smelter in Mozambique			Financing for small and medium-scale private-sector ventures	
– Motraco-Companhia de Transmissão de Moçambique Sarl	17.4	❖	– Global loan to Banque Internationale du Cameroun pour l'Épargne et le Crédit, SCB Crédit Lyonnais Cameroun, Standard Chartered Bank Cameroon SA	5.0 ❖
– Conditional loan to Electricidade de Moçambique	7.0	■	– Conditional global loan to Banque Internationale du Cameroun pour l'Épargne et le Crédit, SCB Crédit Lyonnais Cameroun, Standard Chartered Bank Cameroon SA	10.0 ■
Modernisation and extension of cooking oil and soap plant			<b>Caribbean</b>	<b>28.3</b>
Conditional loan to Companhia Industrial do Monapo Sarl	1.0	■	<b>Haiti</b>	<b>16.0</b>
Rehabilitation and modernisation of sugar mill and sugar cane plantation, north of Maputo			Rehabilitation and expansion of water supply system of Pétion-Ville	
– Maragra Açúcar Sarl	3.5	❖	Conditional loan to Republic of Haiti for Centrale Autonome Métropolitaine d'Eau Potable	16.0 ■
– Conditional loan to Maragra Açúcar Sarl	3.5	■	<b>Dominica</b>	<b>10.0</b>
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures			Construction of thermal power plant at Tarou Cliffs, on west of island	
Conditional global loan to Banco Austral Sarl, Banco Comercial de Moçambique Sarl, Banco Comercial e de Investimento, Banco de Fomento, Banco Internacional de Moçambique, Banco Standard Totta de Moçambique, ulc (Moçambique) Sarl	10.0	■	Dominica	10.0 ❖
<b>Zimbabwe</b>	<b>13.5</b>		<b>Regional – Caribbean</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Rehabilitation of part of national electricity transmission network in central and south-eastern Zimbabwe			Acquisition of equity participation in Tiona Fund for financing equity or quasi-equity of small private-sector companies	
Zimbabwe Electricity Supply Authority (ZESA)	12.0	❖	Conditional loan to The Tiona Fund Ltd	2.0 ■
Development and operation of open-cast copper mine at Sanyati			<b>Trinidad and Tobago</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Conditional loan to Munyati Mining Company Ltd	1.5	■	Feasibility study for establishment of micro-credit institution	
<b>Namibia</b>	<b>13.0</b>		Conditional loan to Development Finance Ltd DFC	0.3 ■
Modernisation and expansion of water, sewerage, electricity supply and road infrastructure in Windhoek			<b>Pacific</b>	<b>7.0</b>
– Republic of Namibia	10.5	❖	<b>Vanuatu</b>	<b>5.0</b>
– Conditional loan to Republic of Namibia for the town of Windhoek	2.5	■	Modernisation of country's principal airport at Port Vila on Efate island	
<b>Madagascar</b>	<b>9.0</b>		Conditional loan to Republic of Vanuatu	5.0 ■
Construction of a shrimp farm			<b>Kiribati</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Conditional loan to Société Aquaculture de la Mahajamba	1.0	■	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures	
Financing for small and medium-scale ventures			– Conditional loan to Republic of Kiribati	0.5 ■
Conditional global loan to BFV – Société générale, Banque Malgache de l'Océan Indien (BMOI), BNI – Crédit Lyonnais Madagascar, Union Commercial Bank (UCB)	8.0	■	– Conditional global loan to Development Bank of Kiribati	1.5 ■
<b>Swaziland</b>	<b>7.0</b>		<b>OCT</b>	<b>19.0</b>
Interconnection between electricity transmission grids of South Africa, Swaziland and Mozambique and power supply to Mozal aluminium smelter in Mozambique			<b>French Polynesia</b>	<b>10.0</b>
Conditional loan to Swaziland Electricity Board	7.0	■	Financing for small and medium-scale ventures	
			– Global loan to Banque Socredo	5.0 ❖
			– Conditional global loan to Banque Socredo	5.0 ■
			<b>British Virgin Islands</b>	<b>5.0</b>
			Expansion of international airport facilities on Beef Island	
			British Virgin Islands	5.0 ❖

<b>Aruba</b>	<b>2.5</b>	
<b>Financing for small and medium-scale ventures</b>		
- Global loan to Aruban Investment Bank	2.0	❖
- Conditional global loan to Aruban Investment Bank NV	0.5	■

<b>Falkland Islands</b>	<b>1.5</b>	
<b>Expansion of fuel storage capacity in the Falkland Islands</b>		
Stanley Services Ltd	1.5	❖

## South Africa

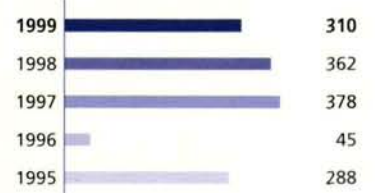
<b>South Africa</b>	<b>149.6</b>	
<b>Expansion of Mossel Bay gas field</b>		
Central Energy Fund	40.0	❖
<b>Interconnection between electricity transmission grids of South Africa, Swaziland and Mozambique and power supply to Mozal aluminium smelter in Mozambique</b>		
Motraco-Companhia de Transmissão de Moçambique Sarl	14.6	❖
<b>Modernisation and upgrading of toll road between Gauteng and Kwazulu-Natal</b>		
N3 Toll Concession (PTY) Ltd	45.0	❖



## Asia and Latin America

<b>Asia and Latin America</b>	<b>310.1</b>	
<b>Brazil</b>	<b>153.7</b>	
<b>Modernisation and expansion of a mobile telephone network in southern state of Rio Grande do Sul</b>		
Celular CRT SA	57.7	❖
<b>Modernisation of tyre factory</b>		
Pirelli Pneus SA	37.0	❖
<b>Financing for small and medium-scale ventures</b>		
Global loan to Banco ABN Amro SA and Banco BBA Creditanstalt SA	59.0	❖
<b>Regional - Central America</b>	<b>35.0</b>	
<b>Financing for reconstruction schemes and expansion of private-sector ventures in areas affected by Hurricane Mitch, in industrial, service, energy, telecommunications and environmental sectors</b>		
Global loan to Banco Centroamericano de Integración Económica	35.0	❖

<b>Mexico</b>	<b>26.6</b>	
<b>Construction and operation of gas distribution network in Mexico City</b>		
Consorcio Mexi-Gas	26.6	❖
<b>Thailand</b>	<b>70.0</b>	
<b>Construction and operation of natural gas-fired combined heat and power plant in Chonburi industrial estate, south-east of Bangkok</b>		
Bowin Power Company Ltd	70.0	❖
<b>China</b>	<b>24.8</b>	
<b>Construction of a drinking water treatment plant in Chengdu (Sichuan province)</b>		
Chengdu Générale des Eaux - Marubeni Waterworks Co. Ltd	24.8	❖



Gas supplies

## Western Balkans

<b>Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM)</b>	<b>60.0</b>	
<b>Construction of Skopje bypass and upgrading of north-south highway</b>		
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	60.0	❖

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## Handover ceremony



During a brief handover ceremony last December, Sir Brian Unwin introduced his successor, Philippe Maystadt, to EIB staff. Philippe Maystadt officially took office as President

of the EIB and Chairman of its Board of Directors on 1 January 2000.

*Sir Brian Unwin:*

"Philippe Maystadt comes to the Bank not only with a distinguished record as a successful Finance Minister of Belgium for many years, but also as a former Governor of the EIB. So he knows Europe as well as the Bank very well and I know he is deeply committed to them both. The respect in which he is held internationally, as a former Chairman of the IMF Interim Committee, will also be of great benefit to the EIB. The Bank will be in very good hands."

*Philippe Maystadt:*

"I am very honoured by the confidence which the Governors have unanimously shown in me through my appointment as successor to Sir Brian Unwin. The fact that, for the first time, a national of a small country will be presiding over the Bank must not, in my view, assume particular significance. Indeed, the duties of the President are not to promote the interests of his home country. The President's role is to take on responsibility, with the support of his colleagues on the Management Committee and with the cooperation of the staff as a whole, for all dossiers in order to enable the Bank fully to serve the objectives of the European Union."

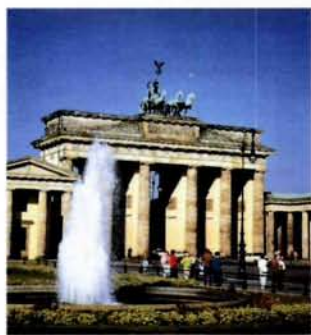
## EIB set to open office in Berlin

In April 2000, the EIB will be opening a Representative Office in Berlin. Located on the Potsdamer Platz, the Office will concentrate on lending activity in Germany.

Over half of the EUR 5.5 billion in aggregate EIB financing in Germany has been devoted to

projects in the eastern Länder, with the emphasis on schemes in the health, education and urban renewal sectors. The rapid changes in eastern Germany have largely prompted the opening of this Office which will facilitate contacts with local authorities and potential investors.

The EIB, headquartered in Luxembourg, also has offices in Athens, Brussels, Lisbon, London, Madrid and Rome.



## New EIB Director at the EBRD



is to succeed Mr Roger Lavelle as EIB Director on the EBRD's Board of Directors.

Mr Gerlando Genuardi, Director of the EIB's Human Resources Department,

The EIB, a founder member of the EBRD (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development), holds a 3% stake in the London-based institution. The EIB and the EBRD, with their complementary remits, cooperate together particularly in the countries of

Central and Eastern Europe which have applied for membership of the European Union.

The EIB's President is a Governor of the EBRD.

Mr Gerlando Genuardi joined the EIB in 1980 and has held the post of Human Resources Director since 1995.