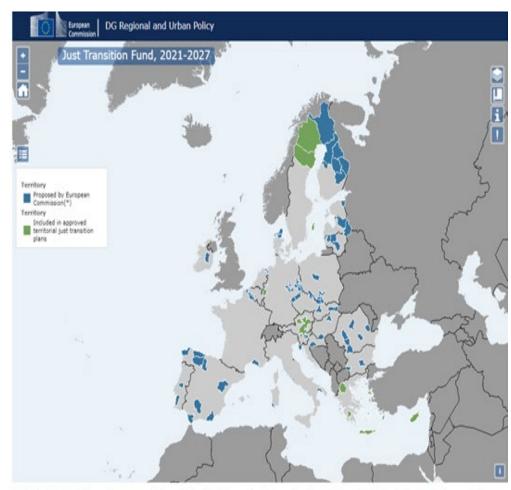


"Main Features of the Loan Component"

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## Main features of the PSLF loan component



(\*) Additional territories have been proposed by some Member States and may be accepted as part of territorial just transition plans. The map will be updated accordingly.

- EIB public sector financing blended with EC grants to support just transition projects located in, or benefiting, territories identified in a Territorial Just Transition Plan
- ▶ EIB to provide up to 10bn lending and mobilise 18bn-20bn of public investments (EC-EIB PSLF Administrative Agreement signed on 1st September). EIB sole finance partner of PSLF so far
- ▶ EC grants up to 15-25% of the EIB loan (25% for projects located in Less Developed Regions).
- Individual projects or loan schemes of smaller projects
- National earmarking for the grants, influencing the loans mapping, until end-2025 (JTF allocation key), later on free allocation across the EU



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# PSLF coordinated grant and loan workflows

EC and EIB collaborative workflow covering parallel grant and loan project cycle, respecting mutual responsibilities

EIB financing opportunity all along (no deadline) a recurrent EC call for proposals for grants

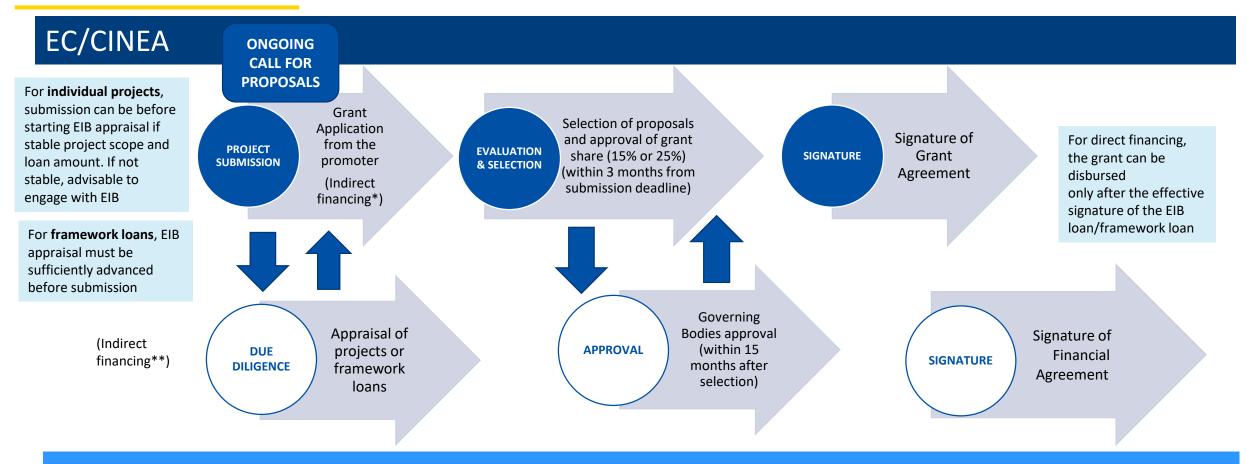
Grant applications can be submitted on the basis of stable project scope and loan amount. In most cases, EIB due diligence advisable to start early on

For each selected project, the grant disbursement is conditional to the effectiveness of the EIB financing signature

Minimum loan size of individual projects or loan schemes EUR 12.5m, typical minimum project size EUR 25m (50% EIB financing)
! Higher EIB financing share may be possible in less developed and transition regions, enabling PSLF support to smaller projects. Smaller subproject size possible in loan schemes



# Workflow for direct (and indirect) financing



## EIB

- \* For indirect financing, project promoter (i.e. end-beneficiary) submits the grant application directly to CINEA (with loan signature letter).
- \*\* For indirect financing, 2<sup>nd</sup> row is NOT relevant as the EIB has already signed an agreement with the financial intermediary and the applicant has signed its loan with the intermediary.



# **EIB Project Cycle**





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# EIB financing under PSLF

#### **PSLF ELIGIBILITY**

✓ Projects cannot generate a sufficient stream of own revenues

✓ Projects cannot receive support under any other Union programmes (including InvestEU and RRF, and other JTM pillars, except for advisory)

✓ Projects need to be located in, or benefit, territories identified in a TJTP – progressive adoption by EC
 ✓ Wide-ranging sectors contributing to a Just Transition

#### **EIB RULES, POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

- Project addresses market failures and provides additionality
- ✓ Project complies with sector eligibility rules
- ✓ Project is aligned with the Paris Agreement and the EU taxonomy (see EIB Climate Bank Roadmap)
   ✓ Project is 'bankable' (borrower credit risk requirements above minimum threshold)

#### SUPPORTING ELEMENTS

- ✓ To facilitate access to financing for PSLF projects, EIB financing share can go beyond 50% of the investment costs for projects in Less Developed Regions and Transition Regions, while respecting limits on EU and EIB combined support (i.e. total 90%).
- ✓ Advisory support available through the InvestEÚ Advisory Hub for project development and to build up promoters' capacities



## Products under PSLF I

# Full product palette for the public sector to help effective deployment

- DIRECT INVESTMENT LOANS ("Standalone" or individual projects)
- ► LOAN SCHEMES ("Framework Loans") — to support multi-year investment plans and small size projects, not (fully) defined at time of application
- ► INTERMEDIATED LOANS to support smaller counterparties and projects, not known at time of agreement with intermediary

## **Two options:**

1. **Standard Framework Loans** - grant applicant is the sole beneficiary (for various projects)



- 2. **Coordinated Framework Loans** grant applicant 'coordinates' and transfers grant support to subprojects' promoters (i.e. share of a FL subproject loan amount of max. EUR 12.5m)
  - Eligible 'coordinators' include sovereign entities (i.e. ministries, state agencies) and national (and regional) promotional banks and institutions (NPBIs) as long as they have a public service mission



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## Products under PSLF II

## **INTERMEDIATED LOANS**

- Promoters approach a financial intermediary (active in their geographical area) under a financial agreement with the EIB
- Only project promoters can submit grant applications for the individual projects - once they have signed their loans with the financial intermediary (at least EUR 3m)

## Two principles respected:

Limitation to 25% of the facility grant component allocated to intermediated projects

EC prioritisation for projects under intermediated financing in Less Developed Regions

**Two products**: Intermediated Framework Loans & Multi-Beneficiaries Intermediated Loans



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# Thank you for your attention!

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