

Facing the migration and refugee challenge



EIB Response to the Syrian Crisis

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EIB Lending between 2010-2015 (m EUR)

Sector	TURKEY	EGYPT	LEBANON	JORDAN	TOTAL
Agriculture, fisheries, forestry	520	-	-	-	520
Energy	1,297	1,365	-	119	2,781
Industry	614	346	-	81	1,042
Services	994	-	16	11	1,021
SMEs	5,988	270	185	-	6,443
Solid waste	58	-	-	-	58
Telecommunications	770	-	-	-	770
Transport	1,735	450	75	-	2,260
Urban development	500	45	-	-	545
Water, sewerage	294	134	-	50	477
TOTAL	12,769	2,611	276	261	15,917

EIB Eligibility Criteria for Refugee-related project

Sector	Eligibility criteria
Housing and Shelter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of reception centers for refugees; • Construction of short-term temporary accommodation; • Construction of social housing for refugees; • Upgrading, replacing and reorganization of existing urban infrastructure facilities to adapt them to accommodation and facilities for refugees; • Associated equipment (ICT components, furniture, etc.); • Associated initial start-up costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ temporary shelter and standard packs for refugees; ✓ integration-related activities (staff costs for training, language courses, health care, etc.); • Development of new enterprises and commercial sites;
Infrastructure associated with refugee housing, shelter and service provision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water supply, wastewater management, solid waste; • Sustainable transport (incl. urban improvement schemes); • Power supply/transmission/distribution; • Innovation enabling infrastructures; • Basic telecom connection to networks; • Health, education facilities; • Infrastructure and utility provision for new commercial sites;
Protection against extreme weather events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood/heavy rains protection and mitigation;
Emergency response infrastructure/equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure and equipment clearly dedicated to humanitarian purposes (search and rescue vessels);
Technical assistance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TA and Consultancy Services for project preparation, management and supervision

EIB lending in the region: outlook

- EIB's lending activities continue to be in line with EU policy objectives and countries' priorities.
- No country or sector limits apply.
- Focus expected to be:
 - Turkey: Municipal infrastructure, SMEs, Health and Education
 - Lebanon: SMEs, Microfinance, Energy Efficiency, implementation of Water Treatment projects, Transport
 - Jordan: SMEs, Microfinance, Transport, Water
 - Egypt: SMEs, Microfinance, Transport, Water, Urban Development
 - Armenia: Transport, Environment, SMEs, Urban Development
- Blending with grants and availability of Technical Assistance for project preparation and implementation will continue to be key to development.

Issues and conclusions

- Recipient countries expect grants, not loans
- Any potential loans shall therefore require substantial levels of blending with grant resources (level depending on public/private, economic/financial returns)
- Clarity, efficiency and coherence needed in the deployment of underlying grants
- Support not to focus on refugees only, but on impacted host communities. Projects / eligibilities to be broad/"macro" based to benefit the region, not narrowly defined