Role of financial instruments in decarbonising our economies

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Financial instruments supporting decarbonisation of EU's economies – policy context

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Decarbonising Europe - why we need scale?



Potential loss - Union's GDP fall by around 7% by the end of the century in the absence of decarbonization measures



Despite positive achievements, EU is currently not on track to reach its 2030 climate objective – need to step up implementation efforts & accelerate emissions reduction





Growing disparities across **EU regions**



Recast of EE and RES directives **Stronger binding targets** for EE, RES **New climate target for 2040** – 90%

Investments

Various targeted EU instruments, but funding gaps remain significant



Cohesion policy funds - what's in our hands?

2021-2027

Investment needs EUR 210 billion EU Cohesion funds committed EUR 120 billion

33% (ERDF) and 56% (Cohesion Fund)

FOCUS: EE in buildings, **RES**, urban mobility, **greening of industry** & infrastructure, research & **"green" innovation**, **circular economy**, climate mitigation & adaptation, addressing energy poverty & just transition

Supporting regional capacity building – fundamental! (FI-COMPASS, C4T, LIFE, ELENA, CCCE, TAIEX)

Cohesion Policy - tailored support to address climate-induced inequalities

Decarbonisation opportunities – growth & jobs in regions, regional market developments





A dedicated GREEN policy objective, Special JTF objectiv	'e
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	PO1	PO2	PO3	PO4	PO5	JTF
	Smarter	Greener	Connected	Social	Europe	
	Europe	Europe	Europe	Europe	closer to	
					citizens	
Total						
Amount,						
bn EUR	114.4	128.8	53.5	165.6	26.9	26.4
EU Fund,						
bn EUR	73.9	93.3	40.5	112.4	19.6	19.2



Financial instruments & decarbonisation – can we do more or differently?

Good news!

Growing trust & good practice with EE FIs - allocations almost **doubled** (compared to 2014-2020) (20%)

Some MS piloting FIs for RES (17%), **circular economy** (7%),

FIs delivering for JTF – 3,5 % ! (in 9 MS)

CPR opportunity to combine FI+Grant - used in most MS

Lack of motivation or will? Lack of appropriate or high value-added projects? Legal uncertainty?

Structural issues in terms of capacities to plan & deliver? Permitting issues?

Too many (competing) funding streams and forms? ③ (Cohesion, RRF, Horizon Europe...)



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QUESTION: DO WE CAPTURE ALL FI POTENTIAL TO DECARBONIZE?







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2014-2020 ERDF RES Loan in Pomorskie

	What is eligible:	Fund of Funds: Financial Int	ermediary:
	y installations with reasonable environmental effects and cost ported installations should increase the capacity of renewable energy sources.	Pomorski Fundusz sp. z o.o. z siedzibą w	
	to connect the source to the electrical grid, including micro- tallations, which will generate electricity or heat.	European Instytucja Sar	
energy supply policies	nents prioritise projects that fit in with municipal low-carbon or s or innovative projects to develop equipment and systems with nmental impact (such as reducing greenhouse gas emissions).		va Pomorskiego
	Key parameters:	Key results:	
Financial size:	EUR 31.5m from Regional OP, incl. EUR 28.8m ERDF	Value of loans granted:	EUR 31.6m
EUR 2.7m national co-financing + EUR 1.0m from PFP (body implementing the FI)		Number of loans granted:	137
Final recipients: Investors (including entrepreneurs)		Additional capacity of renewable ener Estimated annual decrease of GHG: 2 ^o	rgy: 39.75 MW 9.3 thousand tonnes o
Loan value: up to EUR 3.5m		CO2 equivalent	J.J thousand tonnes t
	Maturity: up to 15 years		
	Estimated leverage: 1.1-1.2		







Range of RES projects and types of final recipients



- RES systems (residential and public)
- Biogas plants





Final recipient distribution by sector



- Manufacturing
- Agriculture, forestry and fishing
- Wholesale and retail trade
- Accommodation and food service
- Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply
- Other



Examples of the support / 1

CET-EKO – agricultural biogas cogeneration plant

Sector: production of electricity

Total value of the investment: EUR 1.9 million

Loan amount: EUR 1.0 million

As a result of the project, a cogeneration unit was created producing electricity and heat. The installation uses agricultural biogas, contributing to the production of green energy, without dust and gas pollution.









Examples of the support / 2

Siled: photovoltaic system

Sector: manufacture of electronic products

Total value of the investment: EUR 352k

Loan amount: EUR 253k







The project consisted of the construction of a photovoltaic installation on the roof of the production hall.



Examples of the support / 3

EKO-HOM – ecological educational maritime centre

Sector: non-profit organisation

Total value of the investment: EUR 39k

Loan amount: EUR 35k









The project aims to use clean, renewable energy that will replace electricity produced from conventional sources, including fossil raw materials.





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Portfolio companies







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ELONRO/MD



EnginZyme



GREENIRON

NitroCapt



MIMSI aterials

GRAPHMATECH

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Saveggy - Fresh By Nature

	Facts
About the Company	Year inv
Saveggy develops a bio-based, edible vegan coating. The protection extends the shelf life of fresh fruits and	
vegetables. It is easily applied by using dipping or spraying after harvest.	Cate

Co-inves

Why we invested

- Globally up to 45% of the 1500 million tonnes of fruits and vegatables
- EU has banned singel use plastic
- Saveggy's bio-tech innovative product is easly applied to the fruit and demanding low capex, thus easily integrated it existing value chains

SCILCEGY

vested	2022-Q1	Protective layer		
arket	Global		V	
egory	Food systems & Biosphere			
stors	Unconventional Ventures, LRF Ventures	7		
		Extending shelf life	Elimina	ting was
			100% ADDITIVES FREE	N G
s grown ev	ery year gets wasted.	100% plant based	Free from additives	GI fr
d vegatable	s using simple machines,		A Contraction of the second se	
		Edible	Gluten free	EFSA











Corpower Ocean – Wave power. To power the Planet

	Facts
About the Company	Year inv
Corpower Ocean is on a mission to power the planet with clean energy from ocean waves. The company develops a point absorber wave energy system.	Ma
CorPower Ocean's innovations boost wave energy efficiency,	Cate
cut costs, and enhance sustainability.	Co-inve

Why we invested

- Around 337GW of renewable ocean energy could be deployed globally by 2050, with a cumulative market potential of up to USD 600bn.
- A 10% market share of all installed wave power plants amounts to an annual CO2e reduction of 17m tonnes.



vested	2018-Q4
arket	Global
egory	Energy Transition
stors	SEB Greentech, InnoEnerg



Aim for the golden intersection when constructing the mandate

The fund shall invest in companies that contribute to

- commercialization of research and innovations
- application of low-carbon technology
- strengthened competitiveness

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In a way that gives the companies the conditions for long-term growth through access to early and risk-averse capital as they can

- build the business and
- strive towards their goals of profitability, customer satisfaction and endurance





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Energy Efficiency Renewable Energy (EERE) Financial Instrument

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Combined financial instruments



* Up to 5.15% p.a. of Interest Rate Subsidy during 10 years





Eligible Measures

Energy Efficient Investments

- Energy Management Systems
- Insulation

Renewable Energy Investments

- Photovoltaic Systems
- Space Heating

Green Modes of Transport

• Electric Vehicles





Eligible Applicants

Private Individuals

SMEs

Mid-Cap Enterprises

Large Enterprises

Public/Private Sector entities



Actions taken to address challenges faced by EERE FI

- Increase the Interest Rate Subsidy to provide 0% interest rate loan to Final Recipients
- Extension of eligibility criteria (eligible measures and eligible applicants)
- Marketing campaign organized by Advisory Service (new logo, website, brochure, video testimonials, social media, press)
- Marketing campaigns organised by APS and BoV
- Strong technical assistance provided by EIB
- Use of both de minimis and GBER regimes
- Awareness raising events
- Increase in Budget Allocation by EUR 10 million
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EERE FI - Loans awarded









Loan Amounts Committed (EUR)









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Transformation loan and Brownfield fund

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Just Transition Fund in Czechia

- lacksquareprovide jobs for workers leaving the coal industry.
- CZK 2,8 bil. for financial instruments.









Operational Programme Just Transition managed by the Ministry of Environment aims to mitigate the impacts of the transition process on the economy, the population and the environment, in particular to

Karlovy Vary, Moravian-Silesian and Ústí nad Labem regions will share CZK 41 bil (EUR 1,6 bil) – out of it



Transformation loan

- Interest-free loan directly provided by National Development Bank dedicated to support investments of SMEs active in JTF regions.
- <u>Supported sectors: manufacturing and construction, retail and wholesale trade, transportation</u> and storage, cultural, entertainment and recreational activities
- <u>Funded activities: acquisition of machinery and equipment, technical upgrade of buildings,</u> acquisition of technological procedures, programs, licenses and software (DNSH and energy efficiency conditions included)

• F	Parameters:	Allocation	C
		Loan amount	CZK 0,5-100 mil (up
		Maturity	up to 10 years (g
		Interest rate	

Results: 87 loans for CZK 514 mil signed, 64 loans for CZK 1191 mil currently in process. \bullet





CZK 1,8 bil

o to 90% of eligible expenses)

grace period up to 4 years)

0%



Brownfield fund

- Mezzanine financing for projects of brownfield regeneration in Moravian-Silesian region provided through financial intermediaries (selected by holding fund - National Development Investments)
- The project should be always co-financed by a commercial senior loan (subordination of mezzanine)
- <u>Supported activities</u>: strategic priority projects (regeneration of large coal mining brownfields) / local projects (smaller brownfields for development/reconstruction)
- <u>Supported sectors:</u> modern business infrastructure / housing
- Parameters:

Allocation	
Loan amount	Up to CZK 120 mil ar (local projects), poss
Maturity	
Interest rate	0





CZK 1 bil

nd 40% of eligible expenditures sibly higher for priority projects

5-10 years

0,5-2,5% p.a.



Projects (Transformation loan)

- New production technology (modern industrial mixer, melangeer and filler) for a family company engaged in the handmade production of chocolate and chocolate candies (CZK 664 000 loan).
- A private dental clinic in Litoměřice. The Acquisition of a high-precision CNC machine to increase the export capacity of a family engineering company (CZK 13,5 mil loan)
- Interior reconstruction and acquisition of medical devices and equipment to expand a dental clinic. (CZK 3,55 loan)









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Projects (Brownfield fond)





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