## Innovation Fund Expert Group meeting 18 December 2019

### **Agenda**

Innovation Fund Tour 2019

**Basics** 

Project selection

Governance

How to calculate GHG emissions avoidance

How to calculate relevant costs and cost efficiency

How to cofinance projects

Preview of next meetings

#### Slido

During the event, Slido will be used for:

- short surveys
- submit your questions and comments

#### TO JOIN:

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- 2. Go to **Slido.com** and enter the event code **#IFEG**.
- 3. You can now ask questions, up vote questions and participate in polls.

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Steel, Chemicals,
Waterborne, Paper,
Cement, Solar, Wind,
Ocean, Carbon Capture
and Storage, Bioenergy,
Refineries, Fertilizers,
Carbon Capture and
Use, Geothermal,
Hydrogen, Ceramics,
Circular Economy

Belgium (Leuven),
Netherlands (The
Hague), Austria
(Vienna), Sweden
(Stockholm), Slovenia
(Ljubljana), Italy
(Rome), Denmark
(Copenhagen), Spain
(Madrid), Ireland
(Dublin), Czechia
(Prague), France (Paris)

## **Overview of Projects**



Mitigation \ Sector Option	Energy Storage								Hydrogen Production		Other Sectors*	
Efficiency Improvement	5	21	4	0	10	6	3	7	12		2	
Fuel Switch*			4	14	8	6	2	4	2		1	
CCU			9	8	5	9						
CCS			0	3	1	2			1	4		
Circular			2	•	3	6			0		6	
Other	1	6		3	2	2			2		1	

<sup>\*</sup>Renewable energy: wind, solar, ocean, hydro, geothermal, bio

<sup>\*&</sup>lt;u>Fuel switch</u>: to renewable energy source (incl. RES H2, electricity, biogas)

<sup>\*</sup>Other sectors: non-ferrous metals, mineral wool, gypsum

## **Industrial Cross-Sectoral Projects**



	Cement & Lime	Refineries	Iron & Steel	Chemicals	Glass & Ceramics	Hydrogen Production	Power Generation
Cement & Lime		2	1	2			
Refineries			7	3		2	0
Iron & Steel				3	1		
Chemicals							2
Glass & Ceramic	s						
Hydrogen Product	ion						
Power Generatio	n						

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### **Basics**

## **Key features**

Volume of at least EUR 10 billion at current carbon prices

Support of up to 60% of additional costs related to innovative technology

Renewable energy
CCS and CCU
Industry
Storage

Financed from the revenues of the EU Emissions Trading System

Support of additional capital and operating costs (up to 10 years)

First call in mid-2020

## Selection process

**Basics** 

Greenhouse gas emissions avoidance

Degree of innovation

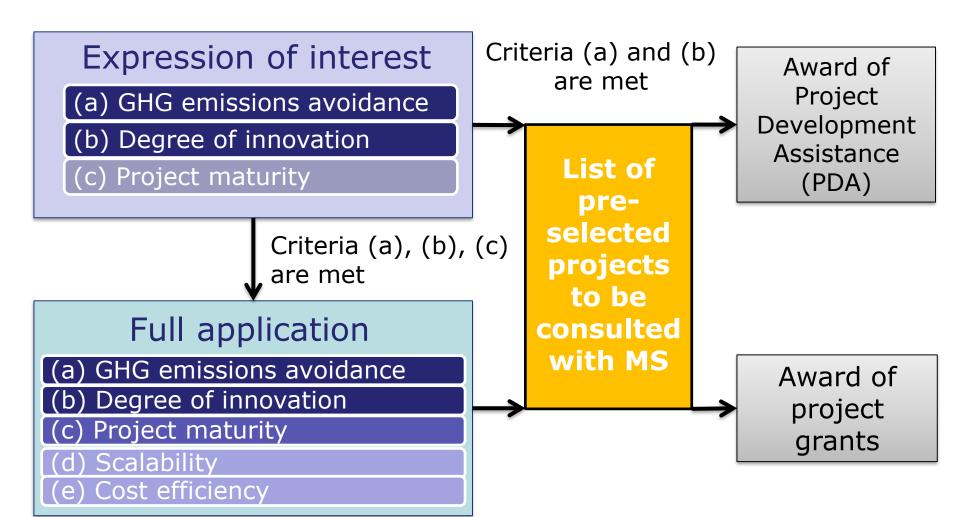
Project maturity

Scalability

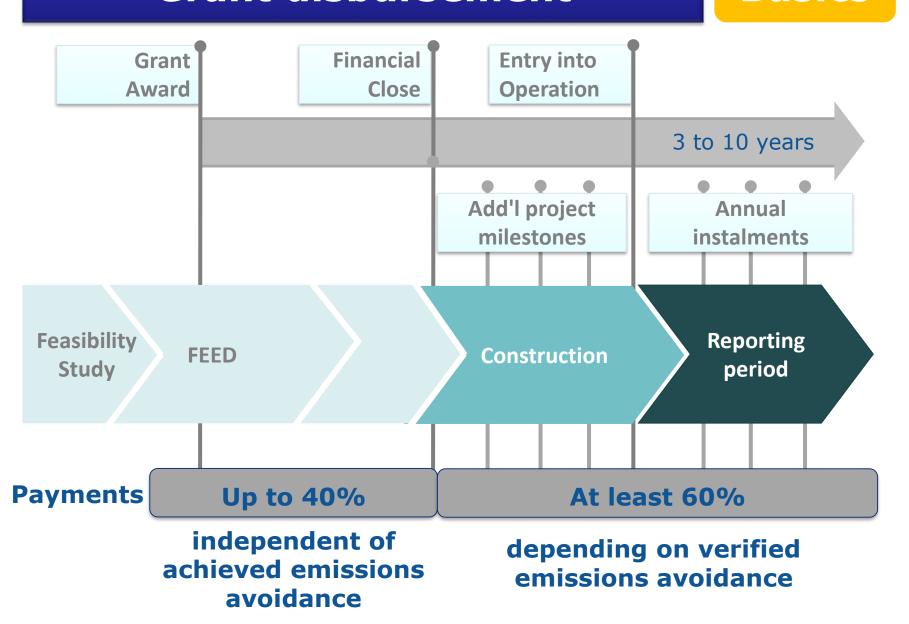
Cost efficiency



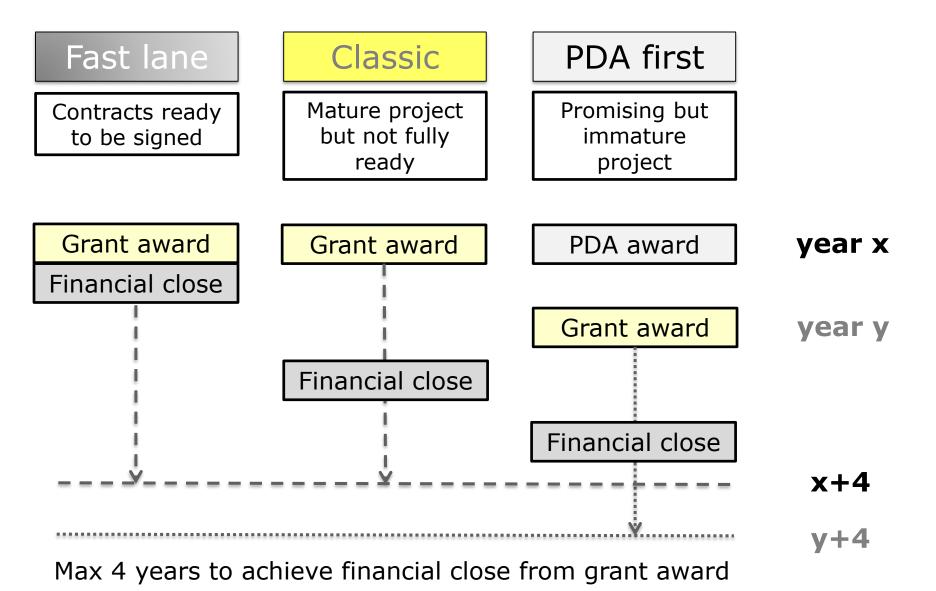
## **Selection process**



#### **Grant disbursement**



### **Choose your speed!**



## SLIDO poll

Basics

How fast will projects be implemented? What are your expectations?

Fast lane

Classic

PDA first

### **Innovation Fund vs Horizon 2020**

Innovation Fund		Horizon 2020
Build and operate large- scale industrial assets with breakthrough technologies	Objective	Research programme
Single entity, i.e. international consortia not required	Applicants	At least 3 legal entities from at least 3 Member States
Technical, business, and financial viability	Selection criteria	Focus on research
Lump-sum payments upon milestones and performance (verified GHG emissions avoidance)	Disbursement of grant	Upon final report and approval of the eligible costs
Contents and conditions of calls can be adjusted annually	Calls	Seven-year work programme

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### First call in 2020

Scope

 Projects with capital expenditure > EUR
 7.5 million

## **Expected timeline (tbc)**

First ideas

Your views please

June 20	Launch of first call					
Sep 20	Submission deadline for first phase					
Q1 21	Award of Project Development Assistance					
Q1 21	Invitation for second phase					
Q2 21	Submission deadline for second phase					
Q4 21	Award of grant					

## Preparations for first call

First ideas

Your views please

## **Expert** group

18 December

Start of final preparations for first call

## Workshop

5-6 February

- Deep dive on calculations
  - GHG emissions avoidance
  - Cost efficiency

### Workshop

2<sup>nd</sup> week March  Deep dive on project selection, co-financing, and grant management

## **Expert** group

**April** 

Summary of technical work



## First-phase selection criteria Expression of interest

**First ideas** 

Your views please

### GHG emissions avoidance

 To be delivered during first 10 years of operations

## Degree of innovation

- Breakthrough technologies
- Consistency with 2050 climateneutrality vision
- Quantitative indicators

# Project maturity

- Readiness to invest
  - 1 = feasibility study
  - 100 = "conditional investment decision"

### **GHG** emissions avoidance

First ideas

Your views please

#### Renewables

(2 options)

- Amount of renewable energy produced (as NER300) OR
- Avoided GHG emissions

Energy intensive industry

 Emissions reductions compared to GHG emissions of ETS benchmark installation At least 75% need to be delivered to receive full grant

Energy storage

(2 options)

- Amount of energy stored OR
- Avoided GHG emissions

## Degree of innovation

**First ideas** 

Your views please

Breakthrough technologies

- Technologies are innovative in relation to the state-of-the-art
- Technologies should not yet be commercially available

Consistency with EU policy objectives

- 2050 climate neutrality "Clean Planet for all"
- SET-plan



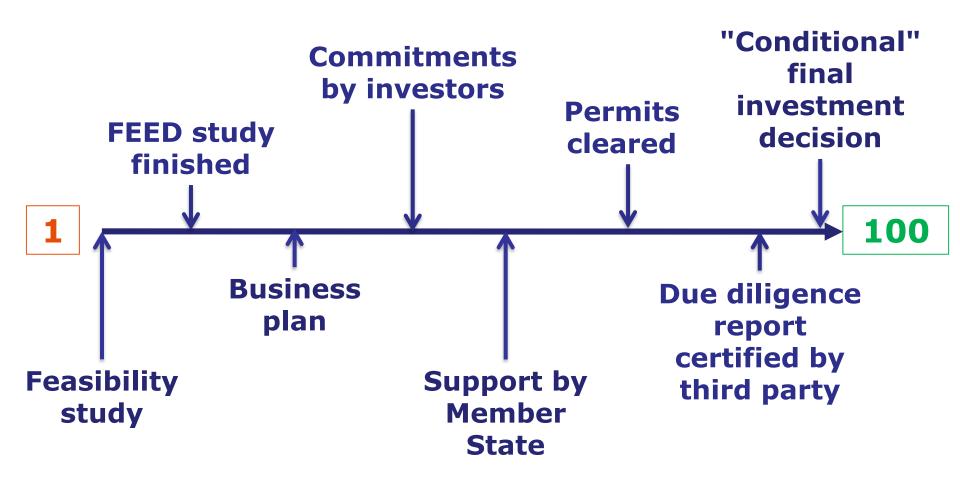
Key performance indicators

- GHG emissions avoidance based on expected 2050 electricity mix
- Carbon intensity
- Resource and material efficiency

## **Project maturity**

First ideas

Your views please

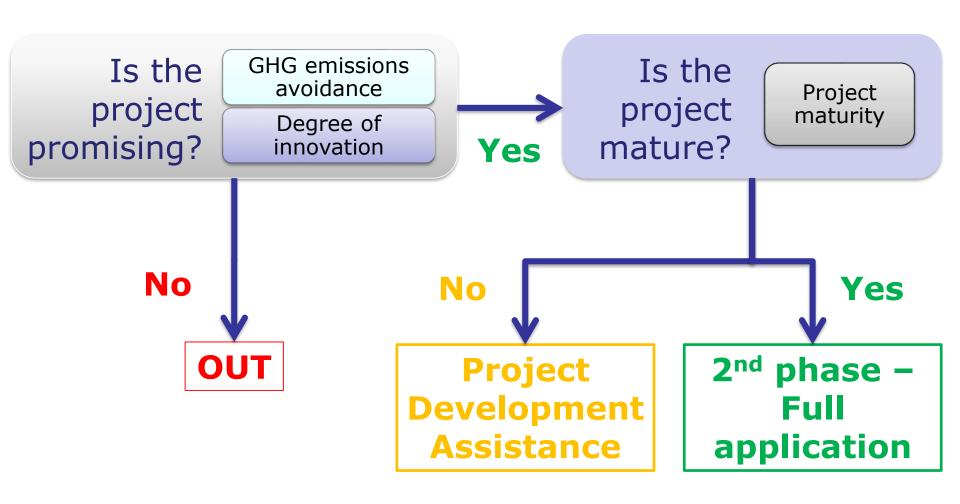


Exemplary checklist – to be further developed

## Stylized selection tree for 1st phase

**First ideas** 

Your views please



## SLIDO poll

First ideas

Your views please

Which of the three selection criteria is most important for you?

GHG emissions avoidance

Degree of innovation

**Project maturity** 

### Questions

First ideas

Your views please

How sophisticated should be the GHG emissions avoidance calculations?

What are good (quantitative) indicators for degree of innovation?

How to best judge project maturity? Which documents should be requested?

# Two additional criteria for full application

**First ideas** 

Your views please

## Scalability

- Market potential in a 2050
  - Number and scale of applications
  - Expected cost reductions
  - Resource availabilities

# **Cost** efficiency

 Requested grant in relation to promised GHG emissions savings

## **Cost efficiency**

## Relevant costs

- Additional capital expenditure +
- Net present value of additional operating costs and benefits over 10 years after entry into operations

### Benchmark for additionality

- Reference plant OR
- Price (e.g. LCOE)

# Risks and costs calculations

- Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)
- Past average carbon price as conservative estimate

## Cost efficiency =

**First ideas** 

Your views please

Requested grant (up to 60% of relevant costs)

Expected GHG emissions avoidance

How aggressive or conservative do you want to bid?

# **Second-phase selection process**Stylized step 1

**First ideas** 

Your views please

GHG emissions avoidance

VV points

Degree of innovation

WW points

Project maturity

XX points

Scalability

YY points

Cost efficiency

ZZ points

Ranking of projects <u>within a sector</u> based on (weighted) sum of points

1 st

2<sup>nd</sup>

3rd

4th

# **Second-phase selection process**Stylized step 2

**First ideas** 

Your views please

### Sector A

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd
- 4<sup>th</sup>

### Sector B

- 1 st
- 2nd

### Sector C

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd

Which rule to apply to rank <u>across</u> sectors?

## SLIDO poll

First ideas

Your views

please

Which of the five selection criteria is most important for you?

GHG emissions avoidance

Degree of innovation

**Project maturity** 

Scalability

Cost efficiency

# Second-phase selection Questions

**First ideas** 

Your views please

Can a cost calculation based on average carbon price (e.g. from past two years) be an effective means to reduce the carbon price risk?

What are good (quantitative) indicators for scalability (complementary to degree of innovation)?

Should the submission of a due diligence report by a third party (e.g. financial institution) be a binding requirement?

How to rank projects across sectors?

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## **INEA's Programmes**

- ✓ €33.9 billion
- √ 300 staff
- √ 1500+ ongoing projects

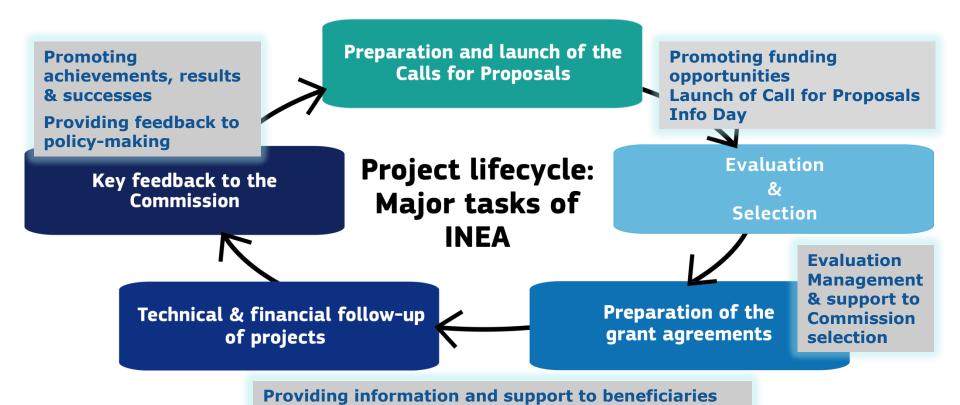
**Horizon 2020** 





CEF programme





Providing technical and financial follow-up of project implementation

**Project Management/Coordinator workshops** 

Administering the grants awarded



**APPLY** 

HOW TO

### External experts: bring your expertise!

**TECHNICAL EXPERTS** 

experience in engineering and innovative technologies in the

sectors covered by the fund

FINANCIAL EXPERTS

experience in project finance, investment banking, financial analysis and risk analysis in the sectors covered by the fund.

A call for expressions of interest will be launched to establish a pool of experts

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

- Evaluate innovative investment proposals;
- Follow-up and support the implementation of selected projects;
- Provide opinions and advice in specific cases

#### **EVALUATION SETTINGS:**

- Individual and Team work: remote phase (individual evaluation) + central meeting in Brussels to agree on a consensus report (travel, accommodation and daily allowances included)
- Experts per proposal: 3-5 evaluators + 1 rapporteur drafting the report;
- Effort required: 2-3 weeks/year (flexible working time, dependent on number of projects);
- Access to information subject to confidentiality and conflict of interest provisions in the contract.

WHEN? LAUNCH OF THE CALL FOR EXPERTS EARLY 2020

**WHERE? FUNDING & TENDER OPPORTUNITIES** 

https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/work-as-an-expert

EU ETS Innovation Fund: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/innovation-fund-en-">https://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/innovation-fund-en-</a>

**INEA:** <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en">https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en</a>

### **INEA** recruits – join us!

PROJECT MANAGERS

experience in engineering and innovative technologies in different sectors.

FINANCIAL MANAGERS

experience in project finance, investment banking, financial analysis and risk analysis

LEGAL ADVISERS

experience in engineering and innovative technologies in different sectors.

experience in project finance, investment banking, financial analysis and risk analysis

expertise in EU law, with strong knowledge of EU programme management

#### JOB DESCRIPTION

- Specific expert teams following the covered sectors and led by senior project managers
- · Direct outreach activities, contact with industry and market;
- Organise the launch of calls for proposals and evaluation phases;
- Negotiate grant agreements, manage the portfolio of projects and support funded projects in a timely manner;
- Provide further assistance especially on financial structuring;
- Monitor, communicate and exploit results.

### V TO PL∀

WHEN? LAUNCH OF THE VACANCY NOTICES EARLY 2020

#### WHERE?

https://ec.europa.eu/inea/en/mission-objectives/job-opportunities

### **European Investment Bank – An overview**

EU's long-term lending institution – a public bank with objectives driven by EU-policies



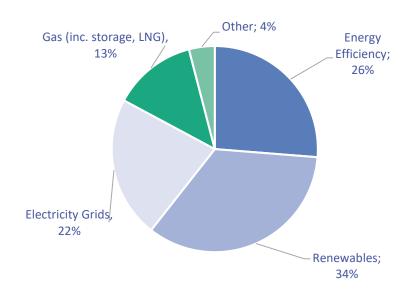
### 4 key priorities:

Innovation Environment Infrastructure SMEs

€ 15.2bn € 12.3bn € 23.3bn

### **EIB lending to the energy sector**

- EUR 13bn per year (2014-2018)
- Energy represented 18-20% of EIB lending
- c. 85% of energy lending inside EU

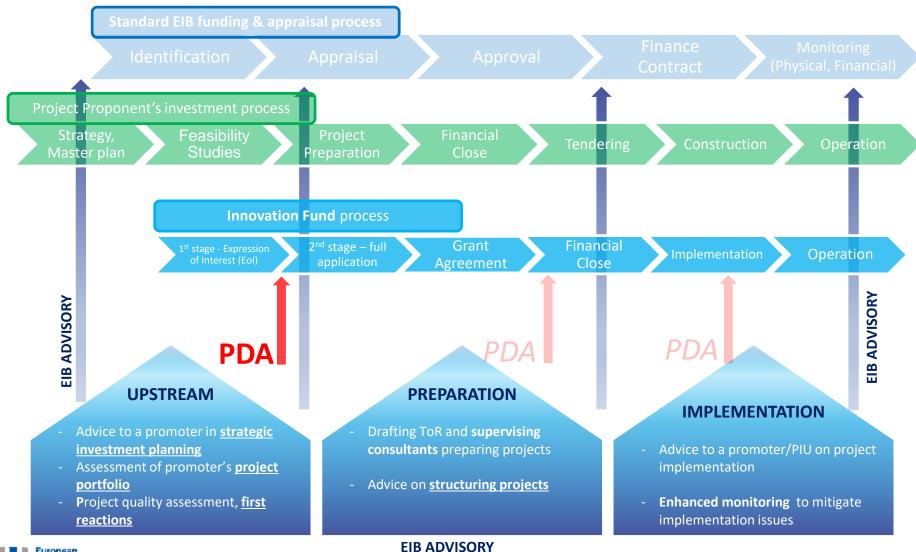




€ 13.5bn

### **EIB's Value Added**

Extensive expertise in financing and supporting complex infrastructure projects and their investors throughout the project cycle





# **Examples of EIB's advisory expertise**

Energy sector

### **NER300**

### € 2.2 bn

- technical and financial due diligence, project selection, ranking
- 110 highly innovative, complex projects assessed
- 42 awarded



# InnovFin Energy Demo Projects EU Finance for Innovators

### € 300 mn

- Closing funding gap
- financial and technical assistance to improve the bankability
- >300 projects assessed

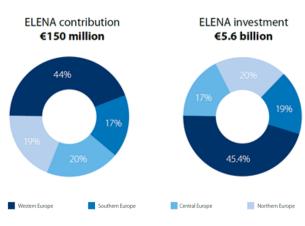


### **ELENA**

**European Local Energy Assistance** 

### € 150 mn

- Technical assistance and grants to support public and private entities to prepare their energy saving investment programmes
- 85 projects assessed, energy efficiency measures, building integrated renewables





### **Project Development Assistance (PDA)**

For non-mature projects

### **PDA Award**

The aim of PDA is to enable non-mature projects to apply for a grant in a subsequent call

PDA Grant awarded following 1st stage evaluation

### **Consultant Choice**

#### **OPTION 1**

 PDA carried out by preselected panel of consultants procured by EIB (Framework Contract)

#### **OPTION 2**

- Projects proponents select their own consultants paid for by PDA Grant
- Procurement in line with EIB's guide to procurement

### **EIB** advisory

- Draft ToRs
- Launch Call for Tender under Framework
- Review bids and select consultants
- Supervision, co-ordination, monitoring and contract management
- Approve all deliverables
- Review ToRs
- Ensure EIB's procurement guidelines have been followed
- Confirm non-objection to selected candidate
- Draft and sign PDA Grant agreement
- Approve all deliverables



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 Avoided GHG emissions compared to GHG emissions of ETS benchmark installation

### Renewables

(2 main options)

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   OR
- Avoided GHG emissions: 3 options: detailed, simplified or within project boundaries

### **Energy storage**

(2 main options)

- Amount of energy stored OR
- Avoided GHG emissions: 3 options: detailed, simplified and simplified but based on EF of energy charged

# Carbon capture and Storage

 Avoided GHG emissions: 3 options: detailed, simplified or within project boundaries

# How to calculate GHG emissions avoidance?

**JRC** presentation

# How to calculate GHG emissions avoidance?

**ICF** presentation

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- How to calculate relevant costs?
- State aid considerations

# **ICF** presentation

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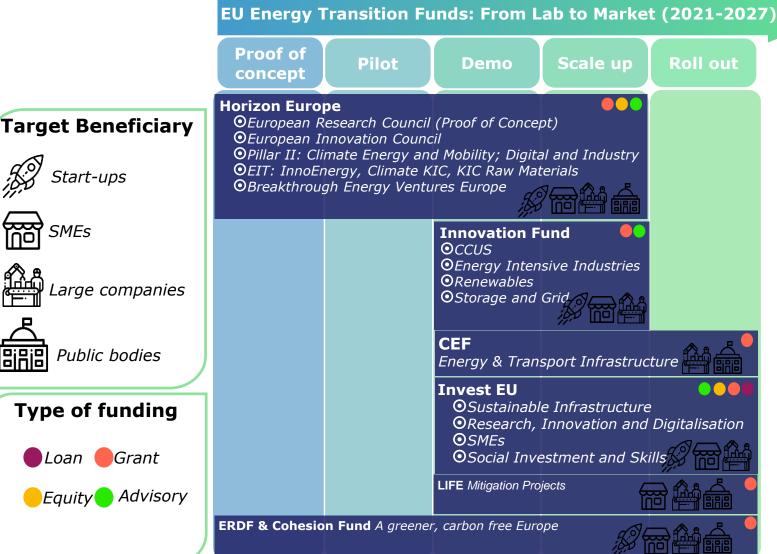
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### **EU Programmes beyond 2021**



Public bodies

Grant

Type of funding

### **InnovFin EDP**

Innovative demonstration projects at (pre-)commercial scale

### Scope

- Renewable energy
- Smart energy systems
  - Energy storage
  - Carbone Capture
     Utilisation & Use

Incl. manufacturing plants

#### **Portfolio**

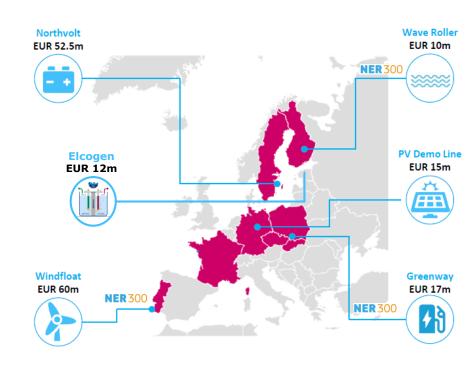
- 6 projects
- €171m EU support (loan/equity-type)
- €353m project costs

Budget
Up to € 700
million

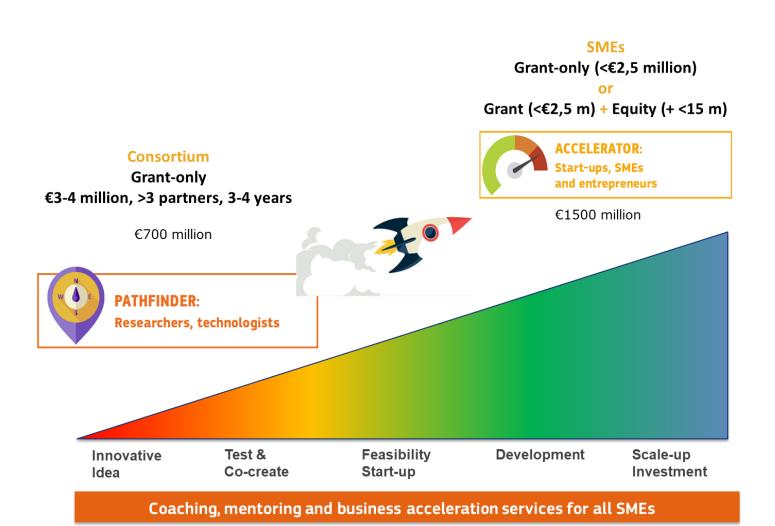
# InnovFin Energy Demo Projects

#### **NER 300**

Use of unspent NER300 funds



### **European Innovation Council**

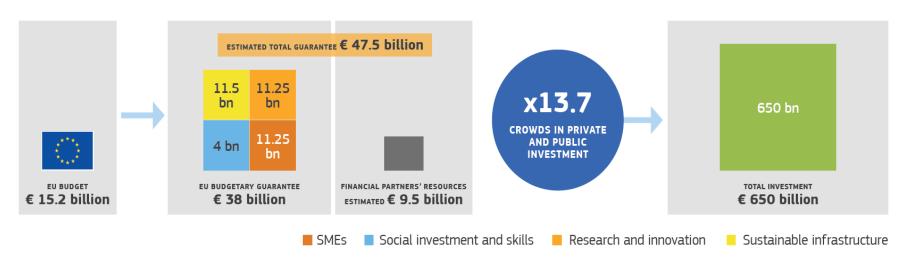


### **Breakthrough Energy Ventures**

- €100 million fund
  - 50+50 pari passu between the Commission and BEV
- Targets European companies developing breakthrough innovations on climate mitigation
- Sectors: energy, transport, buildings, industry, agriculture
- Possibly open to additional investors after first closing
- Expected launch: Q1 2020



### **InvestEU – how does it work**



- EUR 38 bn EU budgetary guarantee to be used for debt and equity financing for bankable investments
- Four thematic policy windows
- Specific financing products geared to level of risk
- Up to 95% FLP coverage possible for very risky projects, in justified cases possible to start with 100% coverage

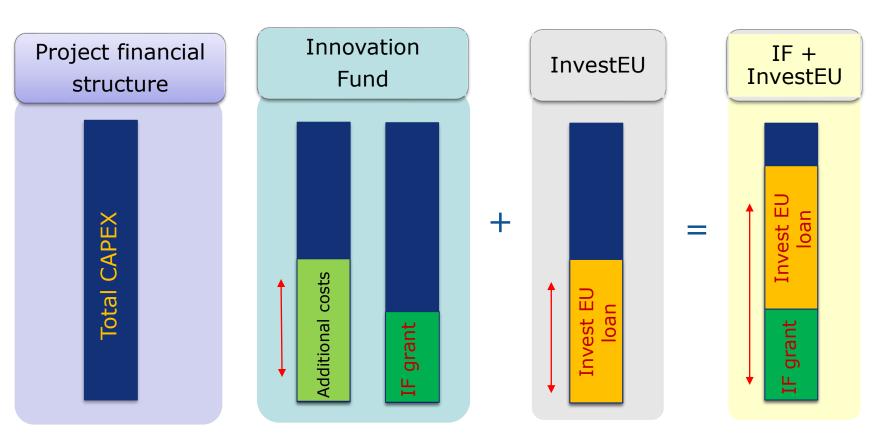
### Windfloat project

Combination of NER300 grant and InnovFin EDP loan <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PiKa6steniw">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PiKa6steniw</a>



### Innovation Fund grant + InvestEU loan

(stylized example)



IF grant max 60% of additional costs

InvestEU financing max 50% of total costs

Combined financing

# Questions

First ideas

Your views please

What additional type of funding would you seek to financially close your project?

Would you need specific assistance with financial structuring of your investment? Any other assistance needed?

How could Member States help best?

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Workshop
5-6 February

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2<sup>nd</sup> week March  Deep dive on project selection, co-financing, and grant management



**Expert** group

April

Summary of technical work

### Deep dive on calculations

Workshop 5-6 February

### **Topics**

- GHG emissions avoidance
- Relevant costs and cost efficiency
- Exemplary calculations for projects

In-depth
discussions in
break-out groups
with technical
experts

- Concept paper to be published two weeks in advance
- Each stakeholder should nominate at max two technical experts

# Plenary session

- Open through web-streaming and Slido to all – no limit of participation
- Report back from break-out groups
- Q&A session

### Deep dive on project selection

### Workshop in 2<sup>nd</sup> week of March

Project selection

- How to evaluate technical, business, and financial viability?
- What is the value of a due diligence report?
- How to best check the criteria of innovation and scalability?

Co-financing and reaching out to financial institutions

- How do public and private investors evaluate projects?
- How to best team up with other investors and public authorities?

Grant management

- Definition of milestones for grant disbursement
- Knowledge sharing

# Please support us to mobilize ...

Technical experts

Workshop
"Deep dive on calculations"

5 and 6 February

Financial experts and institutions

Workshop
"Deep dive on
project
selection, cofinancing, and
grant
management"

2<sup>nd</sup> week of March

Technical and financial experts

Experts for project evaluation

Project managers at INEA