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Workshop on Scaling up ADB's support for Air Quality Management

Air Quality Improvement Program under MDBs

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Agenda



- What is EBRD and Green Economy Transition (GET) at EBRD
- EBRD ESD key issues
- Key challenges in Kazkahstan
- Discussion

EBRD - An overview



An international financial institution supporting the development of sustainable well-functioning market economies

Triple-A rating

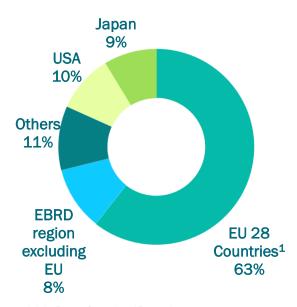
(from all three main rating agencies (S&P, Moody's and Fitch)

Owned by 69 countries and 2 inter-governmental institutions (the EU and EIB)

€30 billion Capital base

1991 1992	Established Russia and 11 other members of the former Soviet Union join
2007	The Czech Republic becomes the first country to "graduate" from the EBRD
2012	Starts investing in Egypt, Jordan, Morocco and Tunisia
2016	25th anniversary; China becomes 67th member
2017	Starts operating in Lebanon and in West Bank and Gaza
2018	India and San Marino become members
2019	Libya becomes a member

Shareholding structure



1. Includes European Community and European Investment Bank (EIB) each at 3%. Among other EU countries: France, Germany, Italy, and the UK each holds 8.6%

EBRD and Green Finance



Mainstreaming green financing: EBRD business model

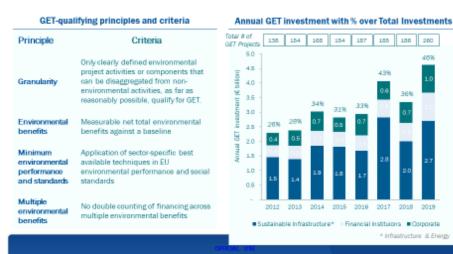


EBRD Green Economic Transition (GET)





EBRD GET approach aims to increase the financing of projects that advance the transition to an environmentally sustainable and low-carbon economy



- To help cities achieve these goals, EBRD Green Cities employs a unique and systematic approach consisting of three central components:
 - 1. Green City Action Plan (GCAP): Assessing and prioritising environmental challenges based on specific indicators and developing an action plan to tackle the challenges through policy intervention and sustainable infrastructure investments.
 - 2. Green infrastructure investment: Facilitating and stimulating public or private green investments in water and wastewater, urban transport, district energy, energy efficiency in buildings, renewable energy, solid waste and climate resilience.
 - 3. Capacity building: Providing technical support to city administrators to ensure that infrastructure investments are implemented effectively.

EBRD Projects - What we do



- EBRD is Project focused and we use Technical Assistance to Support Policy Dialogue
- As part of due diligence need to engage with Clients in implementing EBRD PRs ESAP provision
 - EHS management is a requirement on all projects
 - Compliant with National and all good Industry Practices is a requirements of all EBRD and all IFI's.
 - Social and labour issues are part of PRs
 - Corporate governance and integrity very important to Bank
 - Conditionality as part of our financing agreements
- Bank is investing in Bonds and use of publically available information is key



- EBRD is committed to EU substantive environmental standards e.g, IED and BAT Conclusions, air/water quality directives.
- Pressure for more Stakeholder engagement and disclosure of information. Public information – i.e. (ESG/non financial information reports) key to assess risks for Capital markets Transactions (Bond etc).

Experience in Kazakhstan



- Air Quality in Kazakhstan
 - Legacy issues from old industry, CHP/DH systems
 - Kazakhstan is heavily dependence on coal notably highly abrasive coal which is hard to abate – gas only now becoming available in some regions
 - Transport related issues
- Key CHPs have limited air abatement -
 - emission of NOx and dust above international norms
- Air quality in Almaty is impacted by low level emissions as well as traffic
- National standards are based on old Soviet 'GOST' standards and have not been updated
 - TC funded by EBRD in 2015 to introduced LCP/IED standards to date not implemented
 - Plans for 2021 to implement new standards
- Kazakhstan's Green Economy plans for 2050

Discussion



- IFI's as well as many financial institutions will focus on the Green agenda, and this will be a priority focus for many Stakeholders
 - EBRD will aim to do over 50% Green Projects in the future and many post CV-19 funds will be linked to ESG issues
 - TCFD/TNFD will be important to consider
 - Use of Green Bonds will increase substantially
 - Appropriate ESG disclosure will be part of risk assessment and investment decision making —
 - How to support Kazakh Green Economy
 - Regulatory reform support and align with international best practice.