



An innovative initiative, funded by the EU, to benefit small and mediumsized enterprises in the **Western Balkans**

What is WB EDIF?

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WBEDIF IFIs and Financial Intermediaries



Investors

European Bank for Reconstruction and Development





Herzegovina



Kosovo



Investment





Serbia



Montenegro

Croatia











Western Balkans Enterprise Development and Innovation Facility (WBEDIF)



WB EDIF Platform

is coordinated by the EIF and

is comprised of four different and scalable pillars

The entire structure is steered by the Platform Advisory Group (PAG) whereby

WBEDIF investors and the WB beneficiaries are represented



Equity instruments

ENIF Enterprise Innovation Fund

A VC fund focusing on innovative SMEs, providing equity and quasi equity to start-up to expansion phase SMEs

EUR 40m

ENEF Enterprise Expansion Fund

Supporting established SMEs with high growth potential. Managed by the EBRD with EUR 50m LEF co-investment facility

EUR 100m

Guarantee instruments

Guarantee Facility

Guarantees are provided to banks to incentivise them to build up new SME loan portfolios

EUR 200m

Lending instruments

Competitiveness Programme

Dedicated credit lines for partner financial institutions and complementary investment incentives for SMEs

EUR 20m

Support Services Coordinated by EIB

Policy level Support

WBEDIF offers
programmes to support
implementing policy
reforms to foster a
favourable regulatory
environment for SMEs

Support for WBEDIF Financial Instruments

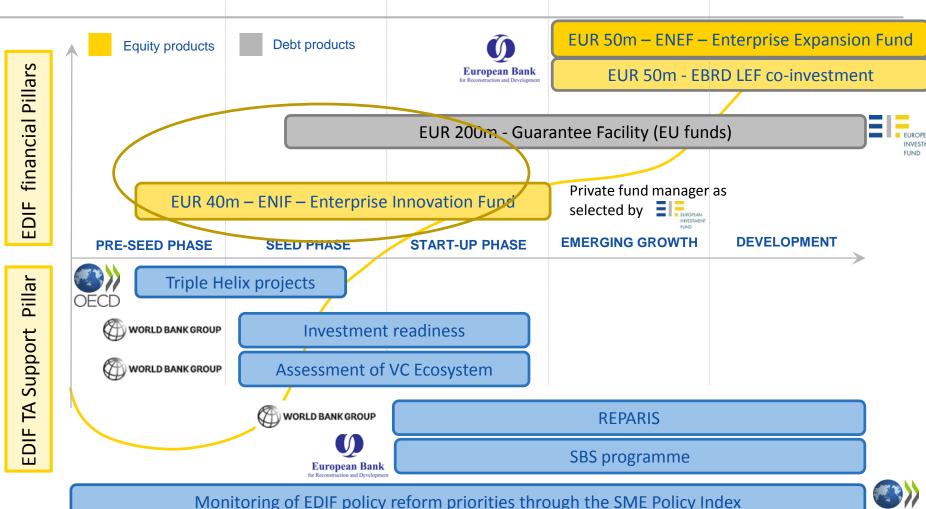
WBEDIF also offers complementary support actions to assist the deployment of the financial instruments on the ground





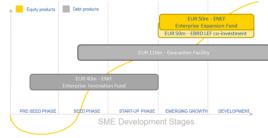
EDIF financial and TA support across the innovation chain





Enterprise Expansion Fund (ENEF) Managed and Advised by for Reconstruction and Development

















EBRD: EUR 24m investment, including EUR 3m from the Italian **Investment Special** Fund

EIF: EUR 14.5m investment, including EUR 9.5m on behalf of the EU

DEG: EUR 5m investment

OeEB: EUR 5m investment



Separate and parallel co-investment via the Local Enterprise Facility ("LEF")

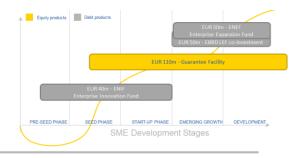
ENEF supports established SMEs with high growth potential, incorporated in the Western Balkans or investing in projects implemented in the Western Balkans, via the provision of equity finance to further the of development and expansion of these businesses.

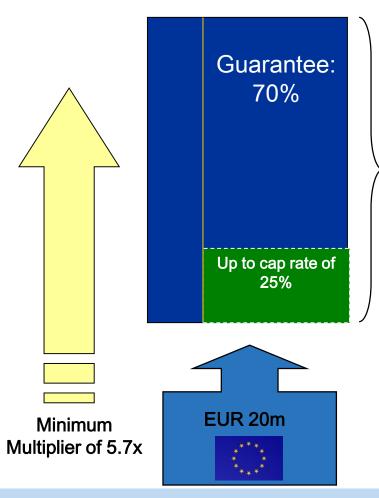
ENEF Fund size is currently at EUR 48.5m

The Fund was operational as of Q2 / 2014 and held its second in Q1 2015 ENEF is managed via a Board of Directors appointed by EIF, EBRD, DEG and OeEB.

Guarantee Facility(GF)

Managed by





Stimulates over EUR 110m of new SME lending

The Guarantee Facility provides guarantees and counterguarantees to financial intermediaries in Western Balkans.

The EC has signed a EUR 20m Guarantee Facility Agreement with the EIF whereby EIF covers part of the risk incurred by the banks thus incentivising them to provide facilitated access to finance for SMEs.

Guarantee Agreements have been signed with the following banks for a supported loan volume of EUR 20m in Albania, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Kosovo* and Croatia; EUR 30m in Serbia and EUR 8m in Montenegro.



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Bosnia & Herzegovina







Serbia





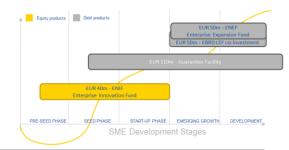
The original budget of EUR 20m has thus been fully committed.

A replenishment – or 'WBEDIF Guarantee Facility II' is currently launched, which will make available an additional EUR 90m of new SME lending to the region - through the same product. See a link to the call for expression of interest

Enterprise Innovation Fund (ENIF) Fund Manager selected by



South Central Ventures





EIF: EUR 19.1m investment, including EUR 14.1m on behalf of the EU



KfW: EUR 8m investment



EBRD: EUR 5m investment

















Western Balkan beneficiaries: EUR 5m investment (collective) of which EUR 2.5m is invested Private investment raised by the Fund manager EUR 5m

ENIF managed by South Central Ventures (SCV) is a venture capital fund focusing on an investment portfolio of innovative SMEs (in start up to early expansion phases) in the WB economies. ENIF provides equity and quasi equity finance to stimulate and support commercially viable research in innovative SMEs

ENIF held its first closing in September 2015 with EUR 25m
Second closing took place in April 2016 and reached the target
amount of EUR 40m

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Focus on ENIF – strategy



- Focus on <u>start-up and growth stage</u> companies, with a seed pocket and possibility to invest in later stage companies with established revenues;
- Focus on <u>IT</u>, <u>mobile</u>, <u>web technologies</u>, <u>cloud computing</u>
 as well as niche <u>infrastructure technologies</u>, although any
 companies investing in <u>innovation</u> are eligible;
- Pipeline from WB business incubators, accelerators, technology parks, business angel networks etc. ensures the tech flavour of the fund.

Focus on ENIF – seed pocket



- EUR 1.5m earmarked for seed investments;
- Seed investments up to EUR 100k, with possible followon investments beyond this cap;
- Pipeline coming mostly from business incubators and accelerators;
- Circa 15 seed investments in the whole WB envisaged during 5 years.

Focus on ENIF – open story!



- Investment period started in September 2015 and will end in Sep 2020 – more than 3 years to go;
- Out of circa EUR 40m of fund size, circa EUR 8-9m are invested or earmarked for investments. The rest will be deployed during the IP;
- Investments actively sourced in the entire WB region out of the three offices in Zagreb, Belgrade and Skopje.

Not to forget the wider picture!



- EIF actively invests in certain countries of the WB region other EU-28 mandates such as InnovFin, COSME, Easl etc.
- Whilst competition for these resources is wider (EU-28), several investments already made in the region

Thank you!



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