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# MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF 21 FEBRUARY 2024

# Meeting of the Board of Directors – 21 February 2024 List of Participants

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# 1. Adoption of the Agenda

- The Agenda was approved.
- The Board of Directors noted that, since the previous meeting, the following items had been approved on a no objection basis:

#### On 7 February 2024

- Montenegro: Lastva Pljevlja Transmission Line
- Managing Director, Head of IPAM (Chief Accountability Officer): Contract and Terms of Service

## On 13 February 2024

 Ukraine: RLF - RLG OSCHADBANK, FIF - EAP SMEC – OSCHADBANK (under Regional: War on Ukraine - EBRD Resilience Package Resilience and Livelihoods Framework)
 The Director for the Russian Federation asked to be recorded as voting against on the project.

#### On 20 February 2024

Poland: Project Royale
 The Director for the United States asked to be recorded as abstaining on the project.

## 2. Minutes of the Board Meeting of 14 December 2023

- The Board of Directors approved the Minutes and Addendum of 14 December 2023.
- 3. Shareholder Special Fund 2023-2024 Work Plan
  Report by the Chair of the Budget and Administrative Affairs Committee
- The Board of Directors approved the item.
- 4. Tajikistan: Sugd Transmission Grid Upgrade / Sugd Transmission Grid Extension
- The Board of Directors approved financing facility to Tajikistan consisting of:
  - (i) a sovereign loan in the total amount of up to EUR 12.8 million and the EBRD Shareholder Special Fund investment grant in the total amount of up to EUR 4.5 million to finance construction of a new transformer at the existing substation in the Sugd region of Tajikistan (the Sugd substation) under Sugd Transmission Grid Extension project; and
  - (ii) a sovereign loan of up to EUR 10.2 million and the EBRD Shareholder Special Fund investment grant of up to EUR 3.5 million to finance rehabilitation of the existing transformer at the Sugd substation under Sugd Transmission Grid Upgrade project.

The loans will be co-financed by investment grants from the Sustainable Infrastructure Fund in the amount of up to EUR 2 million, administered by the EBRD. The proceeds of the loans will be on-lent to Open Joint Stock Company "Shabaqahoi Intiqoli Barq", a state-owned power utility responsible for operation and maintenance of the transmission network in Tajikistan.

# 5. Albania: Rehabilitation of Vore-Hani i Hotit Railway Line

• The Board of Directors approved a sovereign loan in the amount of up to EUR 98.75 million to Albania, of which EUR 84.5 million will be provided under Tranche 1 whereas EUR 14.75 million under Tranche 2, to finance the rehabilitation and electrification of a railway line between Vore and Hani i Hotit in Albania. The commitment of Tranche 2 will be at the EBRD's sole discretion and will be delegated to EBRD management.

#### 6. Morocco: Project Mint

The Board of Directors approved the project.

#### 7. Romania: Urleasca Wind

The Board of Directors approved a senior secured loan of up to EUR 46.3
million in favour of Urleasca Wind Farm SRL. The loan will be used for the
development, construction, and operation of an onshore wind farm in Romania
with a total installed capacity of 102MW.

#### 8. Poland: Polpharma Generics & Biotech

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section III.2.6 of the Access to Information Policy.

## 9. Poland: Project Bella

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section III.2.6 of the Access to Information Policy.

# 10. Egypt: Project Turin

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section III.2.6 of the Access to Information Policy.

# 11. Regional: ARX V Private Equity Fund

The Board of Directors approved the project.

# 12. Croatia: InvestEU GUPG – Zagrebačka banka (under Regional: InvestEU Green Uncapped Portfolio Guarantee Framework)

 The Board of Directors approved an uncapped unfunded portfolio guarantee in the amount of up to EUR 80 million to be provided by the EBRD to Zagrebačka banka d.d.. The guarantee will cover a newly generated portfolio of loans financing eligible green projects related to buildings or sustainable transport.

#### 13. Executive Session

 Details of the discussion of this item are withheld due to confidentiality reasons as set out in Section III.2 of the Bank's Access to Information Policy.

#### 14. Other Business

No decisions were taken.