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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF  
11 DECEMBER 2019**

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Meeting of the Board of Directors – 11 December 2019  
List of Attendance

**Chairman**  
**First Vice President**  
**Secretary General**  
**General Counsel**

President  
Jürgen Rigterink  
Enzo Quattrocchio  
Marie-Anne Birken

**Directors**

David Avarello  
György Barcza  
José Brito  
Eva Cassel  
Kyoohong Cho  
Peter Curwen  
Filippo Giansante  
Karina Karaivanova  
Felipe Martínez  
Shinichi Nakabayashi

**Alternate Directors**

Milan Martin Cvikl  
Martina Kobilicová  
Anthony Bartzokas  
Märt Kivine  
Philip Lindsay  
Mark Paskins  
Massimo Carnelos  
Wioletta Barwicka-Lofthouse  
Pablo Gasós  
Masaya Otsuka  
Nathalie Dubé  
Brigitte Schwardorf-Ruckdeschel  
Peter Basch  
Alain Beauvillard  
Ilkka Räisänen  
Colin Mahoney  
Dragoş Andrei  
Yael Mevorach  
Maria Smirnova  
Jane Macpherson  
Jens Lundsgaard  
Hui Li  
Artem Shevalev

Michael Offer  
Horst Reichenbach  
William Roos  
Per Sanderud

Taşkın Temiz  
Leander Treppel  
Sergey Verkashanskiy  
Andris Vilks  
Patrick Walsh  
Frans Weekers  
Remigi Winzap

**Secretariat**

Colm Lincoln  
Edward Barrett

**Staff**

Betsy Nelson  
Fernando Pons  
Paulo Sousa  
Alexia Latortue  
Janet Heckman  
Natasha Khanjenkova  
Charlotte Ruhe  
Tom Edmondston-Low  
Sue Barrett  
Harry Boyd-Carpenter  
Eric Rasmussen  
Ekaterina Miroshnik  
Aida Sitdikova  
Susan Goeransson  
Mike Taylor  
Henry Russell  
Lucyna Stanczak-Wuczynska  
Vlaho Kojakovic  
Natalya Zhukova  
Frederic Lucenet  
Anne Fossemalle  
Elisabetta Falcetti  
Andriy Maksymovych  
Tamas Nagy

## 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 3 December 2019

- Montenegro: Main Roads Reconstruction Project

On 4 December 2019

- Regional: Green for Growth Fund: A-Shares - Derogation from the Concession Policy
- Egypt: Shareholder Special Fund NBE Green SME Loan Facility Consultant (EUR 650,500) (Under the Regional: Green Economy Financing Facilities (GCF-GEFF) Framework and Financial Intermediaries Framework) (

On 5 December 2019

- Procedures and Terms of Reference of Board Committees

On 6 December 2019

- Shareholder Special Fund – Egypt Youth in Business Programme and Skills in Business Pilot – Technical Cooperation (EUR 2,915,000)

## 2. Executive Session

- Details of the discussion of this item are withheld due to confidentiality reasons as set out in section E of the Bank's Public Information Policy.

## 3. Tunisia: STT Train Fleet Renewal – TGM Line

- The Board of Directors approved a sovereign-guaranteed loan of up to EUR 45 million to Société des Transports de Tunis, the state-owned urban transport company of Tunis incorporated in Tunisia. The EBRD's financing will be used to finance the acquisition of new light rail suburban trains and related maintenance equipment for the historic TGM line linking the centre of Tunis with the city's northern suburb of La Marsa.

## 4. Moldova: Vestmoldtransgaz (VMTG)

- The Board of Directors approved a portage equity investment of up to EUR 20 million in Vestmoldtransgaz for the subscription of newly issued ordinary shares representing up to 40% of the company's capital and voting rights. The investment would be used to finance the construction of the Ungheni-Chisinau gas pipeline which will connect the Moldovan gas network with Romania, and thus the broader European network.

**5. Moldova: Moldova Emergency Gas Purchase Connectivity**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**6. Mongolia: Ulaanbaatar Darkhan Road**

- The Board of Directors approved a loan of USD 137 million (EUR 124.5 million) to Mongolia. The loan will be used to support the expansion of a 202 km road in the north of Mongolia from Ulaanbaatar to Darkhan.
- The Board of Directors also approved SSF funding in the amount of EUR 1,100,000 in support of the technical co-operation aimed at (i) supporting procurement and project implementation; and (ii) providing legal and institutional support to improve road maintenance operations in the country.

**7. Tajikistan: Obigram-Nurobod Road Project**

- The Board of Directors approved a loan of up to USD 150 million (EUR 135 million) to Tajikistan. The loan will finance the construction of a 44 km road section connecting the northeast region of Tajikistan and the Kyrgyz Republic.
- The Board of Directors also approved the use of the EBRD Shareholder Special Fund for USD 1.2 million (EUR 1.08 million) for the post-signing Technical Co-operation.

**8. Armenia: Meghri BCP Modernisation**

- The Board of Directors approved a sovereign loan of up to EUR 10.63 million to Armenia. The loan will co-finance the modernisation works, equipment and related supervision services at the Meghri Border Crossing Point.

**9. Turkey: Kiyikoy WPP Extension**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**10. Bulgaria: Rousse Water (under Bulgaria: ESIF/EBRD Water Sector Financing Framework)**

- The Board of Directors approved a loan of up to EUR 8.7 million to Rousse Water Supply and Sanitation Company. The loan will be used to support infrastructure upgrade and expansion. EBRD Tranche 1 and ESIF Tranche which will co-finance

alongside structural funds will require an exception from the EBRD's Procurement Policies & Rules.

#### **11. Montenegro: Regional Water Supply System Expansion**

- The Board of Directors approved a sovereign-guaranteed loan of up to EUR 24 million to be provided in two equal tranches to the Regional Water Supply Company. Tranche 1 will finance: (i) construction of a direct pipeline to the Municipality of Herceg Novi; and (ii) construction of a second pipeline from Budva to Tivat. Tranche 2 will finance the construction of a water supply network and wastewater infrastructure for the settlements of Dobra Voda and Veliki Pijesak in Bar Municipality. Tranche 2 is committed at the EBRD's sole discretion. The commitment of Tranche 2 will be subject to separate management approval.

#### **12. Albania: Regional and Local Roads Connectivity**

- The Board of Directors approved a sovereign loan of up to USD 50 million to Albania to be provided in two tranches as follows: (i) Tranche 1 in the amount of up to USD 40 million to finance the rehabilitation and upgrade of two road sections, between Vlore and Orikum and between Shengjin and Baks Rrjoll; (ii) Tranche 2 in the amount of up to USD 10 million to finance the upgrade of a road section between Zgosht and Ura e Cerencit. Tranche 2 will be committed at the EBRD's sole discretion and will be subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- The loan will be used to rehabilitate Albania's regional and local roads network and support Albania's economic development by improving connectivity between the country's main regions, and promoting private sector development through improved tourism, agricultural competitiveness and access to markets and social services.

#### **13. Serbia: Serbian Climate Resilience & Irrigation Programme SCRIP**

- The Board of Directors approved a sovereign guaranteed loan programme of EUR 30 million to the government of Serbia to finance the construction and rehabilitation of critical irrigation infrastructure in three distinct regions of Serbia: Negotin (Eastern Serbia), Svilajnac (Central Serbia) and Vojvodina (Northern Serbia). The Board of Directors delegates commitment of Loan II to management.

#### **14. Kosovo Bajgora Wind**

- The Board of Directors approved a senior loan of up to EUR 57.5 million in favour of Sowi Kosovo LLC, a project company incorporated in Kosovo for the purpose of construction and operation of a 105MW wind farm in Kosovo.

**15. Ukraine: UGV**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**16. Morocco: GCF GEFF – BCP and GCF GEFF Regional - Morocco Value Chain BCP (under Regional: Green Economy Financing Facilities (GCF-GEFF) Framework)**

- The Board of Directors approved (i) a first loan of EUR 10 million equivalent under the GCF GEFF Regional framework; and (ii) a second loan of up to EUR 30 million equivalent under the GCF GEFF Regional – Morocco Value Chain, a blended finance Programme established within the GCF-GEFF Regional Framework to BCP, Morocco's second largest bank.
- The EBRD loans will enable BCP and its leasing subsidiary Maroc Leasing to on-lend to eligible private sub-borrowers (i) to implement green investments in energy efficiency, renewable energy and climate resilience measures; and (ii) to boost the competitiveness of the SME part of a value chain.

**17. Regional: Green for Growth Fund: A-Shares  
Report by the Chair of the Financial and Operations Policies Committee**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**18. Regional: Project Valgus**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**19. Romania: Project Enescu**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**20. Regional: Inclusive Tourism Framework for the Eastern Mediterranean**

- The Board of Directors approved amendments to the Inclusive Tourism Framework for the Eastern Mediterranean to: (i) selectively allow financial institutions to become eligible clients under the Framework and with the exclusive use of the proceeds (on-lending) to companies (sub-borrowers) in the tourism

industry; and (ii) to allow reinstatement of the Framework's approval limit for cancelled projects, which have been approved under the Framework and cancelled before or after signing.

**21. Regional: Erste Bank Inclusive Tourism Credit (under Inclusive Tourism Framework for the Eastern Mediterranean)**

- The Board of Directors approved a senior loan of up to EUR 100 million to Erste & Steiermärkische bank d.d. The loan will enable Erste & Steiermärkische bank d.d. to support the long-term financing of private tourism companies in Croatia and Montenegro and their sustainable investments in hotels and other tourism operations which have a direct impact on youth and gender inclusion, as well as backward linkages.

**22. Uzbekistan: Project Growth**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.
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**23. Regional: Project Elixir**

- The Board of Directors approved a financing of USD 20 million (EUR 18 million) to Al Batterjia Medical, Egypt, and Batterjia Morocco (together the Borrowers). The financing will be used to support the development (construction, equipping and placing into operation) of: (i) a 208-bed capacity greenfield general hospital in Alexandria, Egypt, and (ii) a greenfield 150-bed capacity general hospital in Zenata, Morocco.

**24. Regional: Taaleri Solarwind Fund II**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.
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**25. Poland: Avallon MBO Fund III**

- The Board of Directors approved the project.
- Disclosure of project information was delayed in accordance with Section E.2 of the Public Information Policy.

**26. Other Business**

- No Decisions were taken.