

HOW HAS THE JUNCKER PLAN BENEFITED POLAND?

EIB financing: €3.9 bn

Expected to trigger in total investments





POLAND CURRENTLY RANKS 5

in terms of EFSI-related investment triggered, relative to GDP

Approved projects and SME agreements

As of November 2019 the Juncker Plan has mobilised

in additional investment across the EU

75,200

SMEs set to benefit from improved access to finance

Our next goal is to reach

in mobilised investment across the EU by the end of 2020

The European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI) can be used to finance projects in:



Bio-economy



Environment & resource efficiency









Digital













Smaller companies









Beyond mobilising significant investments, the Juncker Plan also supports project promoters and helps to develop a pipeline of quality projects in Europe. Two initiatives offer great opportunities to project promoters and investors. The <u>European Investment Advisory Hub</u> provides tailored advisory support to prepare and develop investment projects in the EU. The <u>European Investment Project Portal</u> offers a matchmaking service between quality projects in the EU and potential investors worldwide.

The Juncker Plan is also making Europe's investment environment more business-friendly, working to remove barriers to investments at all levels. More information on challenges and opportunities for investments in Poland is available in this European Semester Country Report.

EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE JUNCKER PLAN



Electronic signatures: AUTENTI

Autenti is a Polish SME which has developed software that enables people to sign contracts and documents of any type online. The company's platform allows companies to send out a request for a signature, collect signatures and archive the documentation without registration and logins. This removes the need to print, sign, scan and send the original document, saving time and waste. To upgrade its software and provide stronger data security, Autenti secured a private equity investment from venture capital firm Innovation Nest, backed by the Juncker Plan. The financing also helped the business to set up the infrastructure necessary to deal with larger clients like customer support units, and to hire new developers.



Revitalising a former mining town: WALBRZYCH

A €28 million loan is helping the City of Walbrzych to upgrade its urban infrastructure. With 115,000 inhabitants, Walbrzych is the second city of Lower Silesia in Southern Poland, and ranks among the Polish cities that suffered most from the economic transition in the 1990s, with many plants closing down and residents migrating out of the city. The revitalisation program has a strong focus on energy efficiency measures, which account for around one third of the funds. The project also benefits from the technical advice of URBIS (Urban Investment Support), under the European Investment Advisory Hub, which is the advisory pillar of the Juncker Plan.



New medical centre: MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF WARSAW

A €24 million loan is supporting the Medical University of Warsaw's modernisation and expansion plans. The project consists of the design, construction and implementation of a new state-of-the-art medical simulations centre on its main campus in Warsaw that will be used for training and research. It will also finance the refurbishment of the university's Litewska building in central Warsaw, the thermo-modernisation of the Faculty of Pharmacy building to improve its energy efficiency and the refurbishment of an auxiliary medical simulations unit. The financing boost will lead to improved patient care and medical education.