



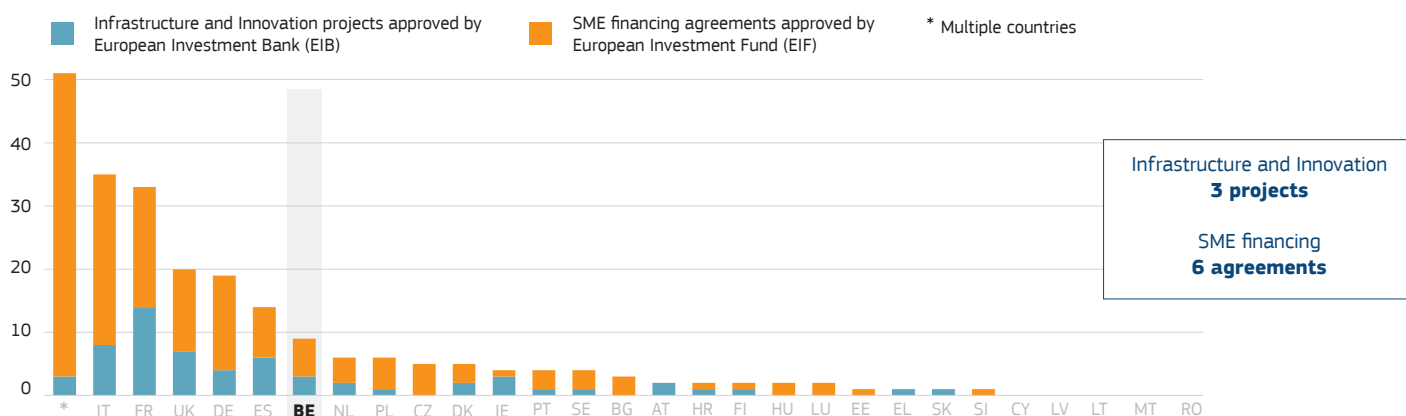
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# THE INVESTMENT PLAN FOR EUROPE

## STATE OF PLAY

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## COUNTRY SHEET: BELGIUM



### INFRASTRUCTURE AND INNOVATION PROJECTS

The three projects amount to **EUR 380 million** in European Investment Bank (EIB) financing under the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), which is expected to trigger **EUR 1.8 billion** in investments and create over **3,200 jobs**.

#### Sectors

**Energy** - Health and Social Economy - Transport - ICT  
**Environment and resource efficiency** - R/D/I - Financing for SMEs - Agriculture - Industry

#### Nobelwind offshore wind (signed October 2015)



- Implementation of the second phase of Belwind, a large offshore windfarm off the coast of Belgium
- EIB financing under EFSI: **EUR 100 million**
- Total investment expected: **EUR 653 million**

#### Infrastructure fund (signed in February 2016)



- Equity fund investing in transforming former industrial sites into uncontaminated and habitable areas

#### Offshore windfarm (approved, not yet signed)



- Construction, operation and maintenance of an offshore windfarm off the Belgian coast

## SME FINANCING

EIF financing under the EFSI for the approved agreements with intermediary banks or funds amounts to **EUR 58 million** and is expected to trigger **EUR 685 million** in investments and benefit **2,700 SMEs** and start-ups.

- Examples of the intermediaries include Sowalfin S.A., Participatiefonds Vlaanderen N.V., ING Belgium S.A./N.V. and Belfius.
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