

### STATE OF PLAY

## HOW HAS THE JUNCKER PLAN BENEFITED THE NETHERLANDS?

**EIB financing:** 

€3.2 bn

**Expected to trigger** 

€ 13 bn
in total investments



### NETHERLANDS CURRENTLY RANKS 20

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

48

Approved projects and SME agreements

As of November 2019 the Juncker Plan has mobilised

€450.6 bn

in additional investment across the EU

14,035

SMEs set to benefit from improved access to finance

Our next goal is to reach

€500 bn

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



Research, development & innovation



Digital



Energy



Social



Transport



Regional development



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 the Netherlands is available in this <u>European Semester Country</u> Report.

## **EXAMPLES OF PROJECTS SUPPORTED BY THE JUNCKER PLAN**



#### **Modernising healthcare: ISALA HOSPITAL**

A €150 million loan is supporting Isala hospital's expansion and modernisation plans. The financing will be used for the modernisation of the existing facilities, as well as for the construction of the new Meppel hospital. The modernisation will see an improvement of the safety conditions for employees as well as a more efficient layout of the facilities. Thanks to the use of modern materials the new building in Meppel will be highly energy efficient. As well as improvements to the buildings and equipment, the financing also covers an upgrade of the management information system, as well as the introduction of a new electronic patient records system.



# Reintegrating military personnel into the labour market: SIB JOINING FORCES

The EIF is providing €10 million under the Juncker Plan for a Social Impact Bond in the Netherlands called Joining Forces. Its goal is to help incapacitated military personnel from the Dutch Army secure jobs and financial stability, while improving their overall wellbeing. The programme will provide on-the-job-training and coaching to more than 1,500 former military personnel to help reintegrate them into civilian life.



#### Flooding prevention: AFSLUITDIJK DAM

The EIB is providing €330 million to support the rehabilitation and modernisation of the Afsluitdijk dam, running between the provinces of Noord-Holland and Friesland. Starting in 2018, the top layer of the Afsluitdijk will be reinforced and an extra water barrier in front of current locks at both ends of the dam, at Kornwerderzand and Den Oever, will be installed to combat high water from the sea. The current scouring sluices will be rehabilitated, and special works will be carried out to create "fish passages" that will allow the re-establishment of fish migration between the sea and the interior lake. The work is expected to be completed by 2022.