

European Investment Bank at COP23

Interview and briefing opportunities for media

The world's largest financier of climate action heads to Bonn to join partners for global summit #COP23

Between 6-17 November, EIB President Werner Hoyer will lead the EIB delegation in Bonn, alongside Jonathan Taylor, Vice-President for Climate and Ambroise Fayolle, Vice-President for Development, as well as a team of EIB climate finance and policy experts.

We would like to invite you for an interview and briefing opportunity with them as well as with partner investors and project beneficiaries.

In the five years to 2020, the European Investment Bank (EIB) plans to invest around USD 100 billion in climate action in and outside of Europe. This is the largest climate finance contribution of any single multilateral institution. The EIB is already exceeding its own targets for climate finance, and thanks to innovative and targeted projects the impact of those projects is growing both in terms of helping to cut emissions and in helping countries to adapt to the effects of climate change like increased flooding and drought.

But turning the "billions into trillions" will take more that the efforts of one institution The EIB is committed alongside its partners to putting the Paris Agreement into practice. That means getting the private sector on board and working alongside fellow Multilateral Development Banks and other EU institutions. Here the EIB is using its experience as Europe's "crowding-in bank" to help the international community meet its ambitious goals. At COP23 in Bonn the European Investment Bank, the EU Bank, will be debating and announcing a number of key initiatives in the field of climate action financing.

A regularly updated agenda of EIB events and contacts can be found here.

Key EIB themes and events open to the press:

(all in the EIB/Luxembourg Pavilion in the Bonn Zone A.08 unless otherwise specified)

What's in store at COP23 – how the world's largest financier of climate action can help put the Paris Agreement into practice: Media Briefing/Interview Opportunity

6 November 14:00–15:00 with Jonathan Taylor, Vice-President for Climate and Monica Scatasta, Head of Climate Policy (EIB Pavilion – refreshments will be served)

RSVP - see contact details below

Building climate resilience for the world's small islands and vulnerable states – Caribbean and Fiji: Announcement of new projects expected

10 November 15:30 with Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, Attorney General and Minister of Economy of Fiji and EIB VP Ambroise Fayolle

13 November 11:15 with the Caribbean Development Bank and EIB VP Jonathan Taylor

Water lending and climate adaptation – the Cinderella of climate finance. Why it matters and how to do it

7 November 11:00 Key event showcasing projects and partners in and out of Europe Interview opportunity with project promotors from Germany, Fiji and Malawi as well as EIB experts. Opening address from Aiyaz Sayed-Khaiyum, Attorney General and Minister of Economy of Fiji

10 years of Green Bonds pioneered by EIB: how are they helping to deliver the Paris Agreement?

7 November 13:00 Anniversary event with Eila Kreivi, EIB Director of Capital Markets Followed by a media briefing with EIB experts

No Green without Blue: How does supporting the blue economy and our oceans help the climate?

11 November 13:15–14:45 Oceans Action Day with EIB VP Jonathan Taylor, co-organised by FAO

Cities, climate and natural capital – how can we help cities finance climate action and the environment together?

14 November, 13:30-15:00 Event on enhancing resilience in cities through nature-based solutions: technical solutions and financing options. Monica Scatasta, EIB Head of Climate Policy and, Holger Robrecht ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability

How emerging companies in the Circular Economy contribute to climate action

15 November, 12:45-13:45 Opportunity to speak to circular economy companies and EIB/Luxembourg reps. EIB VP for Climate, Jonathan Taylor and EIB experts, with Luxembourg Minister for the Environment Carole Dieschbourg

Turning billions to trillions: Getting the private sector on board through innovative climate finance

- 16 November 9:30 Sustainable Stock Exchanges Green Finance Dialogues with EIB President Hoyer (Rheinhotel Dreesen, Rheinstraße 45-49, 53179 Bonn)
- 16 November 10:30 Launch of a new fund to support energy efficiency and renewable energy investments in Egypt, Lebanon, Jordan, Palestine and Tunisia under the EIB-Luxembourg Climate Finance Platform with EIB President Hoyer, VP Taylor and Luxembourg Minister of Economy Gramegna and Minister of Environment Dieschbourg, including fund managers
- 15 November World Climate Summit with VP Jonathan Taylor and Head of Climate Finance Chris Knowles (Kameha Grand Hotel, Am Bonner Bogen 1, 53227 Bonn)

Transparency in Green Finance: a step forward for the transparency of the global green finance market

11 November 12:30 Launch of new white paper with China. Interview opportunity and media briefing with EIB VP Taylor, Dr Ma Jun, Chairman of the China Green Finance Committee and Professor Yao Wang, Deputy Secretary General of the China Green Finance Committee

Transparency and mainstreaming climate action into everything we do

9 November 15:00 The EIB is in the forefront of this initiative and is hosting the event on Mainstreaming Climate Action in Financial Institutions – with EIB chief climate action expert Nancy Saich and Head of Climate Policy, Monica Scatasta (Meeting room 7, Bonn Zone)

Both print and broadcast media are welcome to join the experts and senior members from the EIB during the COP. Journalists will also have the opportunity to interview project beneficiaries, business leaders and investors.

Please refer to the list of events or contact us directly.

If you wish to attend or interview anyone please get in touch

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B-roll, photos and project descriptions are also available.

More about European Investment Bank Group

Follow us on Twitter: @eib

And <u>Facebook</u> where we will be running a series of Facebook Lives on themes from Mainstreaming Climate Action, Supporting Small Islands and Fragile nations, No Green without Blue - Oceans and the Economy, Innovative Climate Finance getting the private sector on Board, 10 years on how can Green Bonds help deliver the Paris Agreement.

Links for more information:

The EIB and over 25 other leading financial institutions from around the world adopted a set of <u>voluntary climate mainstreaming principles</u> in 2016 with the aim of improving the effectiveness and transparency of climate action.

The EIB and climate action

Green Bonds

http://www.eib.org/infocentre/blog/all/green-bonds-turn-gold.htm?f=search&media=search

http://www.eib.org/investor_relations/cab/ten-years-of-green-bonds/index.htm

Climate in Everything we do

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Global Capital article on the EIB's investment in climate action