EIB to launch new bank lending survey for Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe - Friday 12 June 2020



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A new European Investment Bank (EIB) report, the **CESEE Bank Lending Survey**, provides insights into banking group activities and business expectations in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe (CESEE). The report analyses portfolios, demand and supply for financing and the development of non-performing loans. The new edition includes a special analysis on banking group expectations regarding the impact of the coronavirus pandemic.

The report is part of regular reporting from the EIB, IMF, EBRD and World Bank for the European bank coordination <u>"Vienna Initiative"</u>, a framework for safeguarding the financial stability of emerging Europe. The EIB survey for the new edition of the report was conducted as the COVID-19 pandemic unfolded. Previous editions are accessible here.

The report will be published on Friday 12 June at 12:00, and will be available here.

The Director of the EIB Economics Department Debora Revoltella and the lead author of the report Luca Gattini will present the report in a webinar on Friday 12 June at 11.30. You can register for the webinar by sending your

name and name of organisation to the EIB press team: press@eib.org

Requests to receive advance copies of the report under embargo, ahead of release time, should be sent by e-mail to press@eib.org. Journalists requesting an electronic version in advance of the release time agree to respect the embargo and publication time of 12.00, on Friday 12 June 2020.

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Background information

About the Economics Department of the EIB

The EIB Economics Department provides economic research and studies, as well as unique analysis of investment activities in the EU and beyond, and supports the Bank in its operations and in the definition of its positioning, strategy and policy. Chief Economist Debora Revoltella heads the Department, a team of 40 economists.

About the EIB CESEE Bank Lending Survey

The EIB CESEE Bank Lending Survey is a unique, bi-annual survey of some 90 local banks, banking groups and financial institutions in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. It collects information on credit standards, credit terms and conditions, approval rates as well as the various factors that may be responsible for their changes, including domestic and international elements. Demand for loans is also investigated in terms of loan applications as well as their quality. The survey also includes specific questions on credit quality and the funding conditions for banks. It is designed to build a panel of observations to support time series analysis, observations that can provide an almost real time assessment of the health of the banking sector in the CESEE region. The CESEE bank lending survey was developed and is managed by the Economics Department of the EIB, and is part of a series of reports by the EBRD, IMF and World Bank for the Vienna Initiative (http://vienna-initiative.com)

For more information see:

https://www.eib.org/en/about/economic-research/surveys.htm