

Mitrovica and Gjilan Wastewater Treatment Plants and Sewerage Network Extension and Rehabilitation

Project Financing

EBRD	Loan		€ 10,000,000
WBIF	Grant	TA3-KOS-ENV-01	€ 375,000
EIB	Loan		€ 10,200,000
WBIF	Grant	WB-IG04-KOS-ENV-01	€ 2,550,000
SECO	External Grant		€ 300,000
EIB	Loan		€ 13,440,000
EBRD	Loan		€ 13,500,000
WBIF	Grant	WB-IG05-KOS-ENV-01	€ 5,204,082
EBRD/EIB External Grant			€ 300,000
WBIF	Grant	TA3-KOS-ENV-01	€ 375,000
WBIF	Grant	WB20-KOS-ENV-01	€ 728,000
Total			€ 56,972,082
Total Grants			€ 9,232,082
Total Loans			€ 47,140,000

Project Description

Water pollution in Kosovo has reached alarming levels. The water quality of streams and rivers has deteriorated over the years and is heavily polluted due to a lack of treatment of wastewater and indiscriminate disposal of solid waste. The Government of Kosovo is very concerned about the threat this poses to the economic and social welfare of the inhabitants of Kosovo and has taken action to remedy this poor state of affairs through – inter alia – WBIF assistance.

The WBIF, a longstanding supporter of the difficult environmental situation in Kosovo, has provided two technical assistance (TA) grants (worth approx. €2.5 million) to this project in 2009 and 2018, respectively. The initial WBIF TA support focused on developing feasibility studies for various wastewater treatment plants in Kosovo; the grant awarded by the WBIF in December 2018 focuses on providing implementation support to the Project Implementation Units (both in Mitrovica and Gjilan) to bring the Project to full maturity, prepare tender documents including support during the whole tendering process, and overall implementation support until project completion.

These investments will mitigate environmental pollution both in Kosovo and downstream in the region, and provide several other benefits such as:

Results and Benefits

- Protection of surface and underground water quality;

- Ensuring safe drinking water for citizens;
- Protection of aquatic flora and fauna (aquatic ecosystem);
- Minimisation of pollution and polluting effects in relation to border states.

- **Countries:** Kosovo*
- **Code:** PRJ-KOS-ENV-012
- **Sector:** Environment
- **Lead IFI:** EBRD, EBRD
- **Status:** Tender Preparation
- **Beneficiary:**