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Urban Electric Mobility Initiative (UEMI) was initiated by UN-Habitat and the SOLUTIONS project and launched at the UN Climate Summit in September 2014 in New York.

UEMI aims to help phasing out conventionally fueled vehicles and increase the share of electric vehicles (2-,3- and 4-wheelers) in the total volume of individual motorized transport in cities to at least 30% by 2030. The UEMI is an active partnership that aims to track international action in the area of electric mobility and initiates local actions. The UEMI delivers tools and guidelines, generates synergies between e-mobility programmes and supports local implementation actions in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America.

Future Research, Advanced Development and Implementation Activities for Road Transport (FUTURE-RADAR) project will support the European Technology Platform ERTRAC (the European Road Transport Research Advisory Council) and the European Green Vehicle Initiative PPP to create and implement the needed research and innovation strategies for a sustainable and competitive European road transport system. Linking all relevant stakeholders FUTURE-RADAR will provide the consensus-based plans and roadmaps addressing the key societal, environmental, economic and technological challenges in areas such as road transport safety, urban mobility, long distance freight transport, automated road transport, global competitiveness and all issues related to energy and environment.

FUTURE-RADAR will also facilitate exchange between cities in Europe, Asia and Latin America on urban electric mobility solutions. The FUTURE-RADAR activities include project monitoring, strategic research agendas, international assessments and recommendations for innovation deployment as well as twinning of international projects and comprehensive dissemination and awareness activities. Overall it can be stated that FUTURE-RADAR provides the best opportunity to maintain, strengthen and widen the activities to further develop the multi-stakeholder road transport research area, for the high-quality research of societal and industrial relevance in Europe.

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Future Radar

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Name of the Initiative

Short description

Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)

The IDB Group is composed of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB), IDB Invest and the Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF), a fund administered by the IDB. The IDB, the oldest and largest regional multilateral development bank, is the main source of multilateral financing for economic, social, and institutional development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

With a history dating back to 1959, the IDB's aim is to achieve sustainable and climate-friendly development in the region. It provides loans, grants, technical assistance, and conducts extensive research. It maintains a strong commitment to achieving measurable results and the highest standards of increased integrity, transparency, and accountability.

BID goals are:

- Reducing poverty and social inequalities;
- Addressing the needs of small and vulnerable countries ;
- Fostering development through the private sector;
- Addressing climate change, renewable energy and environmental sustainability; and
- Promoting regional cooperation and integration.

The MIF is the innovation lab for the IDB Group. It conducts high-risk experiments to test new models for engaging and inspiring the private sector to solve economic development problems in Latin America and the Caribbean. The IDB obtains its own financial resources from its 48 member countries, borrowings on the financial markets and trust funds that it administers, and through co-financing ventures.

Latin America and the Caribbean – 26 borrower countries

UEMI countries

Brazil

Projects completed: 969

Active loans portfolio: USD 12.3 billion

Main sector: Transport

Ecuador

Projects completed: 776

Active loans portfolio: USD 2.85 billion

Main sector: Energy

Mexico

Projects completed: 704

Active loans portfolio: USD 3.98 billion

Main sector: Environment and natural disasters

- **Transport**

Yes, through Non-Sovereign Guarantee and Non-reimbursable loans

While a majority of IDB staff works in Washington, D.C., the Bank posts specialists in its country offices to foster closer cooperation with clients and partners. Approximately one-third of its staff is in the region, allowing for a more agile and effective institution.

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Geographic Scope

Brazil

Ecuador

Mexico

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Area

Directly accessible
for cities - YES

Focal point at the
national level

Funding focus

Public sector financing

Funding focus

Financing is offered via a variety of structures including loans, partial credit guarantees, grant financing and political risk guarantees. Loans are made on project finance or on a corporate finance basis. Partial credit guarantees help improve placement of bonds with investors and enable clients to have access to better financing terms from domestic and foreign investors. Grant financing is available to private and state owned enterprises for pre-investment activities of selected highly developmental projects. Political risk guarantees are provided to eligible foreign debt investors for qualified investments in borrowing member countries.

General financing terms

- Loans carry fixed or floating interest rates and are priced according to existing market conditions, reflecting the overall characteristics of the underlying project and client.
- Partial credit guarantees carry fees or premiums that are market based and depend on the risk covered and market benchmarks.
- Grant financing requires counterpart financing.
- Political risk guarantees carry fees determined on a case-by-case basis depending on the risk covered and the nature of the guarantees' structure.

Public sector financing

Total number of projects financed in the past 5 years: 384

Amount financed in the past 5 years: USD 43.66 billion

Average size of project: USD 114 million

The Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) currently has three lending categories based on the development purpose, eligibility, and disbursement requirements of the loan, as well as the criteria for determining the size of the loan amounts and the financial terms. Each lending category includes different types of lending instruments and approaches.

Lending Categories

Investment lending to IDB borrowing member countries finance goods, works, and services to promote social and economic development. This category includes specific instruments to support IDB borrowing member countries in the event of a natural disaster.

Policy-based lending provides the Bank's borrowing member countries with flexible, liquid (fungible)

funding to support policy reforms and/or institutional changes in a particular sector or subsector. The country and the IDB discuss and agree upon those reforms or changes.

Special development lending supports borrowing countries during a macroeconomic crisis and mitigate the effects on the countries' economic and social progress.

Guarantees Instruments for Sovereign Guaranteed Operations

In addition to the three lending categories the IDB can guarantee loans made by private financial sources in public sector projects. Guarantees seek to improve financing conditions for projects in Latin America and the Caribbean and help promote investment in borrowing countries. [Click here to learn more.](#)

The Flexible Guarantee Instrument (FGI) is the IDB's guarantee policy for sovereign guaranteed operations. The FGI is a single platform that allows borrowing member countries, subnationals, and local governments to structure partial credit guarantees and partial risk guarantees, both for investment projects and policy based interventions.

Private sector funding

Total number of projects financed in the past 5 years: 105

Amount financed in the past 5 years: USD 2.03 billion

Average size of project: USD 19 million

These instruments are also known as Non-Sovereign Guaranteed Loans (NSG).

- **A/B Loans and Syndications:** The IDB can attract banks and institutional investors to co-finance private sector projects through the subscription of A/B loans. Corporations, banks, public and mixed capital entities are eligible for this kind of loan.
- **Small enterprise:** The FOMIN Small Enterprise Investment Facility (SEIF) is designed to provide financing to broaden the participation of smaller entrepreneurs in their local economies.
- **Social Entrepreneurship Program:** This program promotes the implementation of financing mechanisms that provide sustainable solutions to socioeconomic problems affecting marginalized populations.
- **Opportunities for the Majority Initiative:** Pro-

Private sector funding

notes and finances market-based, sustainable business models that engage private sector companies, local governments and communities in the development and delivery of quality products and services for the majority of the population of Latin America and the Caribbean. Its purpose is to improve the quality of life of low-income communities.

Grant

Total number of projects financed in the past 5 years:
1,675

Amount financed in the past 5 years: USD 1.30 billion

Average size of project: USD 776,000

Grants are non-reimbursable funds provided for technical cooperation programs. Some grants may be repaid to the IDB if the program eventually obtains a loan, either from the Bank itself or another source. Grants can be financed by the IDB's own financial resources or funds from third parties.

Trust Fund Grants

Trust funds, which are generally established by a country or group of countries and entrusted to the IDB to administer, can finance grants. These grants go primarily to the relatively less developed member countries.

All legally constituted public and private organizations are eligible to receive trust fund resources, although some funds limit their support to specific geographic areas and sectors. The funds have different limits on the size of individual projects.

MIF Grants

The Multilateral Investment Fund (MIF) grants support small-scale, targeted interventions that pilot new approaches and act as a catalyst for larger reforms. The MIF, an autonomous fund member of the IDB group, is a major source of technical assistance grants for private sector development in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Depending on the scope of the proposed project, the MIF can provide resources to both public and private sector organizations. Private sector agencies can include non-governmental organizations, industry associations, chambers of commerce, etc.

Grant

Social Entrepreneurship Program

The IDB has a Social Entrepreneurship Program, which provides grants to private, non-profit, community based organizations and public local development institutions. Program resources may be used for technical assistance, training, investment in productive or basic services infrastructure, procurement of equipment and materials, working or operating capital, and/or marketing.

The Emerging and Sustainable Cities Program (ESC)

The ESC is the IDB's non-reimbursable technical assistance program providing direct support to national and subnational governments in the development and execution of city Action Plans. Until 2017, 77 Latin American cities had joined the Program.

ESC employs a multidisciplinary approach to identify, organize and prioritize urban interventions to tackle the main roadblocks that prevent the sustainable growth of emerging cities in Latin America and the Caribbean. This transversal approach is based on three pillars: (i) environmental and climate change sustainability, (ii) urban sustainability, and (iii) fiscal sustainability and governance.

ESC's Methodology is organized in a two-stage, five phase process. Stage one begins by executing a rapid diagnostic tool to identify the sustainability challenges of a city. Afterwards, topics (i.e. water, air quality, transparency, etc.) are prioritized through the use multiple filters – environmental, economic, public opinion and sector specialist expertise – to identify issues that pose the greatest challenges in a city's pathway towards sustainability. Finally, an Action Plan is formulated, containing prioritized interventions and a set of strategies for their execution across the short-, medium- and long-term. In stage two, the execution phase begins with the preparation of pre-investment studies for prioritized interventions and the implementation of a citizen monitoring system.

Scope of funding

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In 2017, the Bank continued to support infrastructure initiatives and projects that contribute to closing the basic services gap and supporting the integration of the countries of the region.

Transport projects included connectivity improvements through the development and management of primary, secondary, and tertiary road systems in countries that included Bolivia, Haiti, and Paraguay; logistics infrastructure development in interurban and urban areas, as in the case of Brazil; and urban transportation improvements through passenger rail systems, as in the case of Argentina.

Support continued for energy infrastructure development to narrow the access gap while increasing the sector's efficiency and reliability, in countries such as Brazil, Ecuador, and Honduras. Other initiatives supported implementation of the necessary sector reforms and policies to consolidate sustainable energy sectors in countries that included Colombia, Nicaragua, and Panama.

In water and sanitation, efforts focused on increasing access in rural and peri-urban areas, in countries such as Haiti, Nicaragua, and Peru; improved quality of potable water services through enhancements in system resilience and operator efficiency, as in Bolivia and Panama, respectively; and improved environmental conditions in urban areas through wastewater treatment in Argentina, remediation of locations degraded by solid waste in Peru, and integrated flood prevention and sanitation interventions in Brazil.

Moreover, In 2017, the Climate Change and Sustainable Development Sector's (CSD) work program and resources focused on strengthening programs and instruments for mainstreaming sustainability and climate change considerations in all operational areas of the IDB Group.

Eligibility

The following entities within the region are eligible for IDB Public financing:

- Governments and governmental institutions: central, state, provincial, and municipal government structures, as well as decentralized government organizations such as state banks, development corporations, public sector companies and universities.
- Civil society: Civil society organizations having a national government guarantee are eligible for IDB lending.
- Sub-regional organizations
- Financial intermediaries

Private Sector Loans and Guarantees may be made directly to project developers / businesses without government guarantees on the basis of market-based pricing, typically for infrastructure-- energy, transportation, sanitation or communications-- and capital market development projects and for export financing.

Budget available and time frame

The IDB offers different types of loans or instruments within this lending category and may be made for short-term, medium-term, or long-term needs. The size of the loan is based on the estimated cost of the project. Disbursements are made when the borrower submits proof of eligible expenditures.

Institutions typically involved in the implementation

The IDB Group provides financial and non-financial resources to national and subnational governments, businesses, and civil society organizations in its 26 borrowing member countries.

Website: <https://www.iadb.org/en>

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More Information

Implementing
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