The role of the EIB in the agri-food sector

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**EIB products to catalyse investment**

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Our goal: Attracting FUNDING for long-term growth in the green and blue sectors
EIB Group products to catalyse investment in the EU

New finance mechanisms in cooperation with EU Commission and Member States

- EIB’s loan products
- European Investment Fund (EIF)
- InnovFin – EU Finance for Innovators
- European Fund for Strategic Investment (EFSI)
- European Structural Investment Funds - Financial Instruments

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EIB finance to bio-based value chains

**EUR 24bn**
financing investments throughout the bio-based value chains and in natural capital protection over 2011-2015

**40 000 loans**, worth EUR 4.6bn, for agriculture and fisheries provided through our partner banks over 2011-2015
Advantages of EAFRD Financial Instruments:

✓ Greater access to a wider range of financial tools for policy delivery.
✓ Leveraging private sector funds to help boost RDP impacts.
✓ Allowing for re-use of the funds to increase investment potential.
EIB’s activities outside the Union

EIB in China (Forestry)

EIB in Mauritius (Sugar)

EIB in Senegal (Rice)