



Multilateral Organisations

Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank











A new multilateral bank for sustainable infrastructure financing in Asia

The Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) aims at fostering sustainable economic development, creating wealth and improving connectivity in Asia through sustainable infrastructure projects. The AIIB is an important partner for Switzerland to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Its activities focus on projects in transportation, energy and water supply, as well as on urban development and digital connectivity. Thanks to its AAA credit rating the AIIB is able to borrow at attractive interest rates on global capital markets and lend to its borrowers at favourable conditions.

Besides using its own resources to provide loans, issue guarantees and invest in equity capital, AIIB also mobilises public capital and private investments. AIIB also aims at significantly expanding its private sector financing to reach half of its total financing. It prioritises transactions that can be replicated and scaled-up and are likely to generate additional investments in order to multiply impact.

AIIB strategic priorities: Green and resilient connectivity for Asia

Thematic priorities	Institutional priorities
 Green infrastructure	 Achieving impact at scale
 Connectivity and regional cooperation	 Adding value along the project cycle
 Technology-enabled infrastructure	 Building an inclusive corporate culture
 Private capital mobilisation	 Establishing a strong market position

Regional development focus
Asia

Headquarter
Beijing, China

Established in
2015

Member countries
92, organised into 12
voting groups

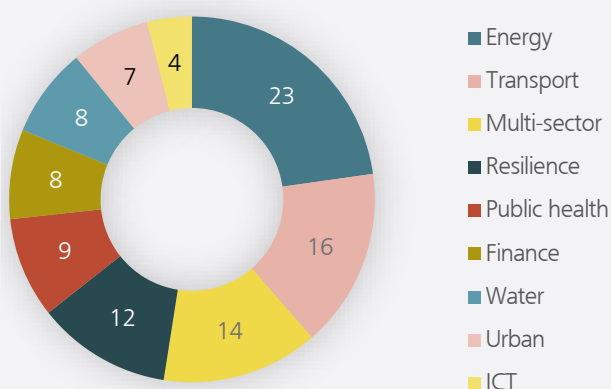
Borrowing countries
33

Lending volume in 2022 (USD)
7.4 billion

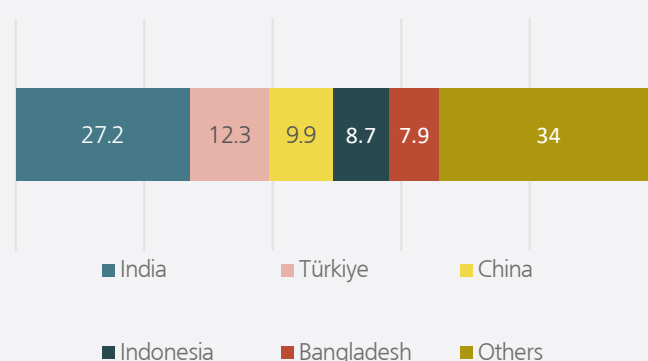
Total portfolio 2022 (USD)
38.8 billion

AIIB portfolio: Core infrastructure in Asia

Main sectors (in %, 2022)



Main borrowers (in %, 2022)



AIIB: A key regional partner for Swiss development cooperation and foreign economic policy

Switzerland is a founding member of the AIIB. As a priority organisation in Switzerland's International Cooperation Strategy 2021–2024, the AIIB supports Swiss development goals in the region. The Bank has strong multilateral governance and oversight mechanisms. It adopts strict environmental and social standards in its projects, equivalent with its peer international financial institutions. As a member of a voting group in the governing body of the AIIB, Switzerland actively participates in the discussions and decisions of the AIIB to fulfil its supervisory role as a shareholder. Switzerland is committed to:

- promoting results-orientation, effectiveness and targeted financing according to the AIIB's core expertise and strategic priorities;
- supporting the AIIB's commitment to develop, improve and comply with international environmental, social and governance standards;
- encouraging the AIIB to focus on the most sustainable development solutions, in particular by financing renewable energy projects and to support its recipient countries' exit strategies from fossil fuels;
- ensuring an adequate capitalisation and maintaining the AIIB's AAA credit rating.

The State Secretariat for Economic Affairs and the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation jointly determine the positions Switzerland adopts at the AIIB. Switzerland's interests are represented by a Governor appointed by the Federal Department of Economic Affairs, Education and Research and an Alternate Governor appointed by the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs.

Swiss accession

2016 (founding member)

Swiss voting group

Denmark, Hungary, Iceland, Norway, Poland, Romania, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom

Swiss voting share

0.82 per cent

Swiss paid-in capital up to 2022 (USD)

141.3 million

Switzerland's share of voting rights in the AIIB (in %, 2022)



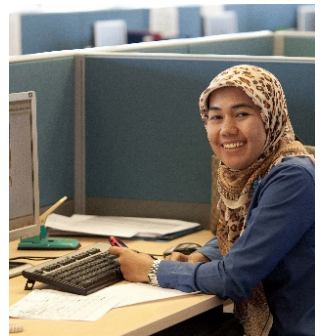
Climate finance: Driving Asia's green recovery and transition

In many Asian countries there is positive momentum to invest in sustainable infrastructure, but the actual volume of investment is still well below desired targets. To sustain efforts to deliver local environmental improvements and support global climate action, AIIB prioritises green infrastructure investments. These include renewable energy, low-carbon public transportation as well as water management, sanitation and pollution control. AIIB aims at targeting 50 per cent of overall investment toward climate finance by 2025. In 2022, AIIB achieved a climate-related finance share of 49 per cent, excluding emergency finance.



Project example: Connectivity for the 21st century – Digital Infrastructure

The AIIB is the first multilateral development bank to adopt a digital infrastructure strategy. The AIIB supports digital connectivity projects that promote inclusion in both urban and rural populations. These projects contribute to improving the competitiveness of the economy and the efficiency and sustainability of traditional infrastructure. For example, the AIIB approved a USD 150 million loan in 2020 for a multi-functional satellite public-private partnership project. The project, financed together with the Indonesian government, private and public banks, will provide much-needed broadband internet service to more than 149,400 unserved public service points, including schools, hospitals and local government locations. It will connect 45 million people in some of the least developed regions of the country.



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