



# InvestEU Programme

## Fact Sheets

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## What is InvestEU?

The InvestEU Programme (2021–2027) is the European Union's flagship investment instrument to mobilise private and public capital for sustainable projects. With an EU budget guarantee of €26.2 billion, InvestEU is expected to trigger at least €372 billion in additional investment across Europe.

It replaces and consolidates earlier instruments (such as the European Fund for Strategic Investments – EFSI), providing a single framework to boost investments in line with the EU's Green Deal, REPowerEU, and climate neutrality goals for 2050.

### **Relevance for geothermal sector**

InvestEU funding is deployed via implementing partners (e.g., European Investment Bank, national promotional banks). For geothermal, this means:

- De-risking early-stage projects through guarantees, reducing financial barriers linked to exploration and drilling.
- Blending with grants from Horizon Europe, LIFE, or national funds to cover R&I and demonstration phases.
- Facilitating access to finance for SMEs and start-ups developing geothermal technologies.
- Scaling district heating networks and renewable heat infrastructure using long-term loans with reduced interest rates.

### **Opportunities for stakeholders**

- Municipalities & regions: develop geothermal heating networks.
- Industry & SMEs: commercialise drilling, reservoir and heat pump technologies.
- Research organisations: partner with industry to bring innovation to market.
- Investors: leverage InvestEU guarantees to enter high-potential geothermal markets.