

Durrës Wastewater Management Project

Project Financing

WBIF	Grant	WB25-ALB-ENV-01	€ 520,088
AFD	Loan		€ 28,000,000
Anticipated WBIF INV Grant	External Grant		€ 12,000,000
Total			€ 40,520,088
Total Grants			€ 520,088
Total Loans			€ 28,000,000

Project Description

Durrës is the main seaport and city on the Adriatic coast in Albania. The city is home to over 175,000 people.

The city's infrastructure has benefited from investments in recent years. Nevertheless, the wastewater collection system is obsolete, prone to infiltration and flow disruption, and only the south part of the city has a separate stormwater and sewage network. Furthermore, only half of the city's wastewater reaches the treatment plant, the rest being discharged untreated in the Adriatic, and around 20% of households use septic tanks.

The WBIF supports the preparation of the feasibility study, preliminary design, and environmental and social assessment to rehabilitate and develop a separate stormwater and wastewater network for the city.

Results and Benefits

- Separate collection and treatment of stormwater and sewage in the city
- Improved health and living conditions for the people living in the city
- Protection of water resources and pollution prevention, biodiversity protection of Adriatic ecosystems in the coastal area
- Increased resilience to climate change of the city's infrastructure and public services
- Compliance with the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive 91/271/EEC and EU standards

- **Countries:** Albania
- **Code:** PRJ-ALB-ENV-030
- **Sector:** Environment
- **Lead IFI:** AFD
- **Status:** Preparation
- **Beneficiary:** Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy