



## Elia signs first credit facility with pricing mechanism linked to sustainable performance targets

- Agreement signed with a consortium of seven banks for a €650 million revolving credit facility (RCF)
- Signature of an RCF linked to the achievement of sustainable performance targets confirms Elia's commitment to social responsibility

**Elia Transmission Belgium (Elia), operator of the Belgian high-voltage grid, today announced it has signed a €650 million revolving credit facility (RCF) agreement that is tied to three of Elia's sustainability performance targets. As a first step towards a sustainable financing strategy, the agreement shows that Elia aims to be more ambitious and explicit about the importance of its Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG).**

The sustainability performance targets that impact the credit facility's pricing mechanism are related to the company's efforts to fight **climate change** and its **health and safety** performance. As a transmission system operator, Elia plays a crucial role in the decarbonisation of the energy sector and society in general by incorporating increasing volumes of renewable energy. Safety is one of the company's top priorities and is deeply embedded in its corporate culture. Elia applies the highest safety standards and aims to ensure that all our employees and everybody we work and collaborate with go home safe and sound every day.



*As a company providing a service for society, we have a duty to be more explicit about our targets and actions with regard to reducing CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and achieving carbon neutrality, the circularity of our assets, safety, environmental and diversity targets, and ethics/compliance objectives. We want to make our company more resilient and more transparent to our internal and external stakeholders. Without compromising the safety of our employees and the grid, we are making our processes more sustainable and aim to be completely climate neutral by 2040. Signing this first line of credit linked to sustainability performance targets is fully in line with this commitment.*



**- Catherine Vandenborre, CFO of Elia Group**

The three-year revolving credit facility has two one-year-extension options and can be used for general corporate purposes. The banks taking part in the single-tier RCF are Belfius, BNP Paribas ((Sustainability) Coordinator), ING Bank, KBC, NatWest, Rabobank (Agent) and SMBC.



For further information please contact:

Investor Relations

Yannick Dekoninck | M +32 (0) 478 90 13 16 | [investor.relations@eliagroup.eu](mailto:investor.relations@eliagroup.eu)

Stéphanie Luyten | M +32 (0) 467 05 44 95 | [investor.relations@eliagroup.eu](mailto:investor.relations@eliagroup.eu)

## About Elia Group

### One of Europe's top five players

Elia Group is active in electricity transmission. We ensure that production and consumption are balanced around the clock, supplying 30 million end users with electricity. With subsidiaries in Belgium (Elia) and northeast Germany (50Hertz), we operate 19,271 km of high-voltage connections. As such, our group is one of Europe's top 5. With a reliability level of 99.999%, we give society a robust power grid, which is important for socio-economic prosperity. We also aspire to be a catalyst for a successful energy transition towards a reliable, sustainable and affordable energy system.

### We make the energy transition happen

By expanding international high-voltage connections and integrating ever-increasing amounts of renewable energy production, Elia Group promotes both the integration of the European energy market and the decarbonisation of our society. Elia Group is also innovating its operational systems and developing market products so that new technologies and market parties can access our grid, thus making the energy transition happen.

### In the interest of society

As a key player in the energy system, Elia Group is committed to working in the interest of society. We respond to the rapidly changing energy mix, i.e. the increase in renewable energy, and constantly adapt our transmission grid. We also ensure that investments are made on time and within budget, with a maximum focus on safety. When we carry out our projects, we manage stakeholders proactively by establishing two-way communication with all affected parties very early on in the development process. We also offer our expertise to our sector and relevant authorities to build the energy system of the future.

### International focus

In addition to its activities as a transmission system operator, Elia Group provides various consulting services to international customers through its subsidiary Elia Grid International (EGI). Elia is also part of the Nemo Link consortium that operates the first subsea electrical interconnector between Belgium and the UK.

Elia Group is a listed company whose core shareholder is the municipal holding company Publi-T.

**More information: [elia.be](https://www.elia.be) - [eliagroup.eu](https://www.eliagroup.eu)**

### Contact

#### Investor Relations

Yannick Dekoninck | **M** +32 (0) 478 90 13 16 | [investor.relations@eliagroup.eu](mailto:investor.relations@eliagroup.eu)  
Stéphanie Luyten | **M** +32 (0) 467 05 44 95 | [investor.relations@eliagroup.eu](mailto:investor.relations@eliagroup.eu)

#### Elia Transmission Belgium SA/NV

Boulevard de l'Empereur 20 | Keizerslaan 20 | 1000 Brussels | Belgium

