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# Financial Instrument for Urban Rehabilitation and Revitalization IFRRU 2020

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### What is the importance of IFRRU 2020?



# REHABILITATE REGENERATE REUSE

# a way forward to a circular economy

50% of the world population lives in cities and Portugal is one of the countries who has a larger number of houses per inhabitant

The population is not increasing in Portugal

New construction is more demanding in resources consuming 28% of the primary energy consumption comes from housing and services sectors – the most relevant sectors in urban hubs.

Over a million buildings need rehabilitation works strong focus on energyefficient urban rehabilitation

IFRRU 2020 is focused on the sustainable development strategy designed by each Municipality for their territory, for both action programs: urban renovation and support to disadvantage communities

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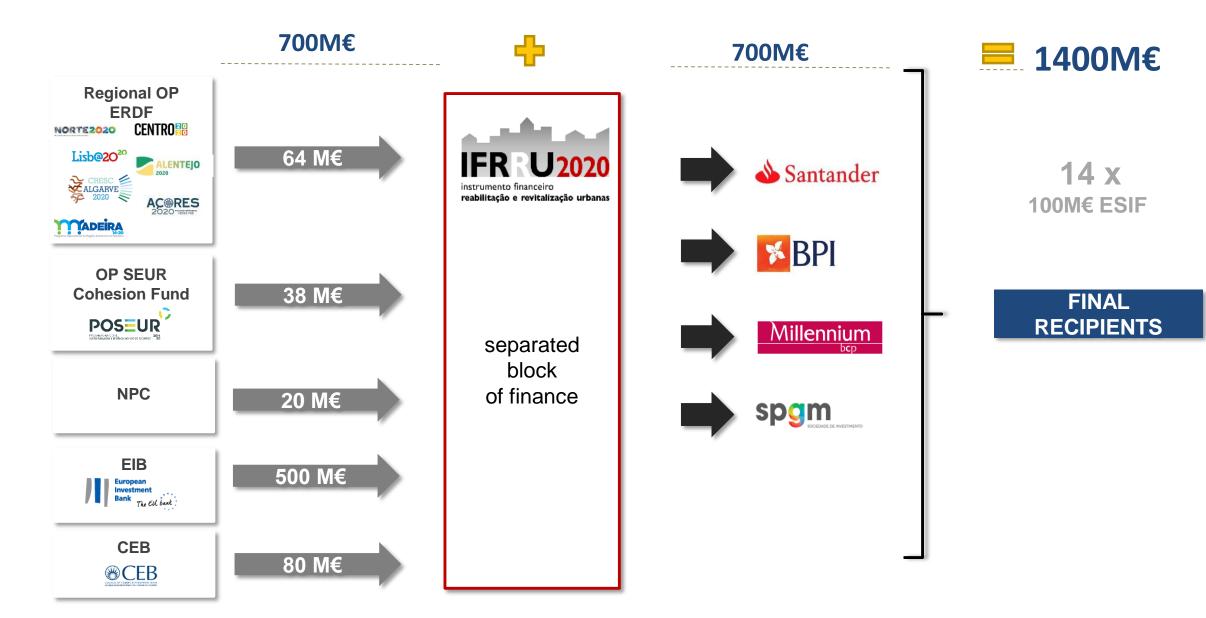
## **Step-by-step - establishing the instrument**



Ex-ante Assessment	Fund of Funds		
Decision regarding the use/selection of FoF	Governance Establish separate block of finance Management and control system Transfer of resources (from Funders to FoF)	Financial Intermediation Selection of Financial Intermediaties - Restricted procedure (International Public Tender with prior qualification) Transfer of resources (from FoF to Fin. Intermed.)	ediaries Final Recipients
			Call for the selection Assessment of applications from Final Recipients Sign contract between Fin. Intermed. and Final Recipient
			Disbursements to Final Recipients (from Fin. Intermed.)

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# How does IFRRU 2020 work in this specific sector?



### Overall rehabilitation of buildings aged 30 years or more

Rehabilitation of abandoned industrial spaces or units

Rehabilitation of private units integrated in an overall rehabilitation of a social housing building

The renovated buildings **can be used for any purpose**, such as housing, economic activities and equipment for collective use.

## **Types of support**

#### Loans:

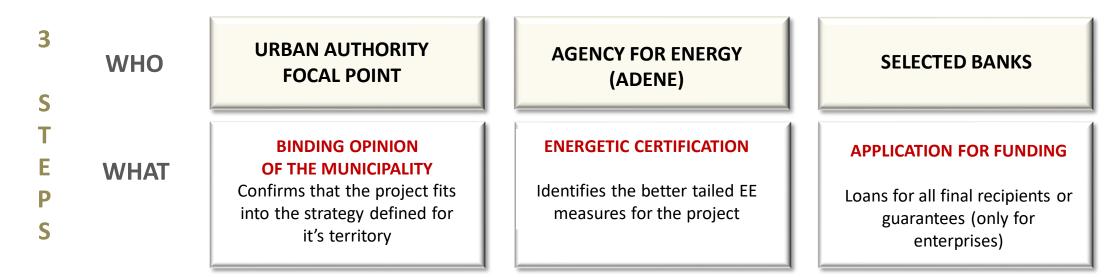
- 50% public funds + 50% funds from the Bank Maturity Up to 20 years;
- Grace period= Investment period + 6 months (máx. 4 year);
- Interest rates well below market prices.

**Guarantees** (only for enterprises): to make possible the granting of loans by selected banks that, due to lack of guarantee,

could not access them

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### Promoting partnership

- All projects must be assessed by the Municipality (as Urban Authorities) where the project is located In each municipality there is a "focal point" a person or department dedicated to IFRRU 2020 that accompanies the projects
- All projects supported by IFRRU 2020 must contribute for increasing the energy performance of the renewed building made by an expert qualified by ADENE – National Energy Agency
- The application shall be submited to the Bank (choose by FR) which offers the best condictions for financing the concret project



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IFRRU 2020 Implementation – 31/05/2019 – In 41 urban centers

50 buildings for housing

117 Financing contracts

67 enterprises supported

358 M€ Investment

> 25 M € Investiment Energy Efficiency

### **Critical factors**



#### Governance and management model

- Management body fully dedicated to the implementation of the FI
- Management body Expertise financial, ESIF and State aid
- Working in a network: Municipalities, Banks and Funders
- Procedures with clear rules and daily feedback for all partners
- IT system for management and monitor tasks

#### • Clear information and easy access for potential candidates

- Simplified procedures for applications
- Webpage refreshed focused in the potential candidate

#### Communication and promotion

- Roadshow all over the country spreading information close to the main actors of the sector: every Municipality, main national sectoral associations (engineers, arquitects, etc.)
- International promotion Protocol with AICEP: spreading information by consulates/embassies and the Portuguese emigrant communities
- Creation of webpages, brochures and films in other languages english, spanish and french



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# Thank you!

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