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Reopening of La Bourse to the public: the culmination of a major project supported by the EU

With support of 18 million euros, the European Union is one of the main partners in the renovation of the Brussels Stock Exchange. The support is part of the desire to preserve this emblematic building of the cultural and architectural heritage of Belgium. He is also driven by the ambition to preserve the environment while promoting sustainable economic growth.

This ambitious renovation is supported by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) and the Recovery and Resilience Facility (RRF) as part of the European recovery plan NextGenerationEU and co-financing provided by regional authorities.

These funds have been strategically invested to improve energy efficiency, promote entrepreneurship and stimulate the development of small and medium-sized enterprises.

During the official opening, Mr. Johannes Hahn, European Commissioner for Budget and Administration, underlined: "La Bourse is a real Belgian-European project. I am therefore delighted that the Facility for Recovery and Resilience instrument is helping to open up a new "bièreiode" for this Brussels monument. I am certain that La Bourse will be the new meeting place for Belgians, Europeans and tourists from all over the world. »

The stock market surfed the Renovation Wave

The energy renovation of public and private buildings is an important aspect of the European recovery plan NextGenerationEU, in order to make Europe more sustainable.

The European funds used for the energy renovation of La Bourse will make it possible to meet a triple objective: to minimize CO2 emissions and thus preserve the environment, to reduce the energy bill and to improve the comfort of visitors and occupants of the premises.

La Bourse as a showcase for Belgian know-how: the ERDF supports SMEs

The scholarship project is part of the Brussels-Capital Region's ERDF Program aimed at "strengthening entrepreneurship and improving the development of SMEs in promising sectors".

The realization of this project makes it possible to actively support companies and employment in the brewing sector in the Brussels Region. It also constitutes a real opportunity for the Belgian beer market and its specificity in relation to the international, national and Brussels market. The Stock Exchange therefore becomes a showcase for Belgian know-how and, through its support action, a springboard for SMEs.

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The European Recovery Plan: [NextGenerationEU](#) is a temporary recovery instrument of over €800 billion to help repair the economic and social damage caused by the coronavirus pandemic. The centrepiece of NextGenerationEU is the [Recovery and Resilience Facility \(RRF\)](#), an instrument offering grants and loans to support reforms and investments in EU Member States, the total value of which amounts to 723.8 billion euros. More information on the project as part of the plan for recovery and resilience in Belgium:

The European Regional Development Fund: The [ERDF](#) is one of the main instruments of the Union's cohesion policy. Its objective is to contribute to reducing the disparities between the levels of development of European regions and to improving living conditions in the less favoured regions.

More information on the ERDF in the Brussels-Capital Region: https://be.brussels/about-the-region/international-brussels/erdf-getting-assistance-from-the-european-union?set_language=en