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KEY CHARACTERISTICS	
Nature of the guarantee	Irrevocable
Primary beneficiaries	Confirming Banks members of Proparco's Trade Program
Final beneficiaries	Issuing Banks and their affiliates
Eligible instrument*	Letters of credit, Standby Letters of Credit, Bills of Exchange, Promissory Notes
Coverage	Up to 100%
Eligible goods	Soft commodities, medical goods and equipment, fertilizers, construction equipment, machinery, refined oil products**
Eligible currencies	EUR, USD
Maturity of transactions guaranted	Up to 3 years (payment term)
Facility amount	Min 10 MEUR (or USD equiv.)
Facility maturity	Min 2 years (renewable)
Quick turnaround of guarantee issuance	Max 48 hours (from reception of the official guarantee issuance request)
Legal documentation	Proparco's Master Agreements (Term and conditions)
Fees	<ul> <li>Due by Issuing Banks: <ul> <li>Mandate Fee: none</li> <li>Legal costs: 8/10 KUSD</li> </ul> </li> <li>Due by Confirming Banks: <ul> <li>Mandate fee: none (joining the program is only subject to the acceptation of Proparco's Master Agreement)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Guarantee Fee: 70% of the confirming fee applied per transaction covered (% p.a, due on a quarterly basis)</li> </ul>

<sup>\*</sup>Available from H2 2024: Irrevocable Reimbursement Undertaking (IRU), Trade Loans

<sup>\*\*</sup> On a case by case basis



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# SENEFITS



The programme enables members to access a global network of partnerships. It offers maximum flexibility thanks to:

- A large range of products supported (from commodities to equipment, machinery and consumer goods)
- Various underlying trade instruments covered (letters of credit, stand-by letters of credit, bills of exchange)
- Coverage up to 100 % of the face value of the trade instruments
- From 2 months up to one year (including payment terms)
- Short response time: 48 hour maximum-turn-around (request for guarantee made by either IB or CB)

#### **BENEFITS TO ISSUING BANKS**

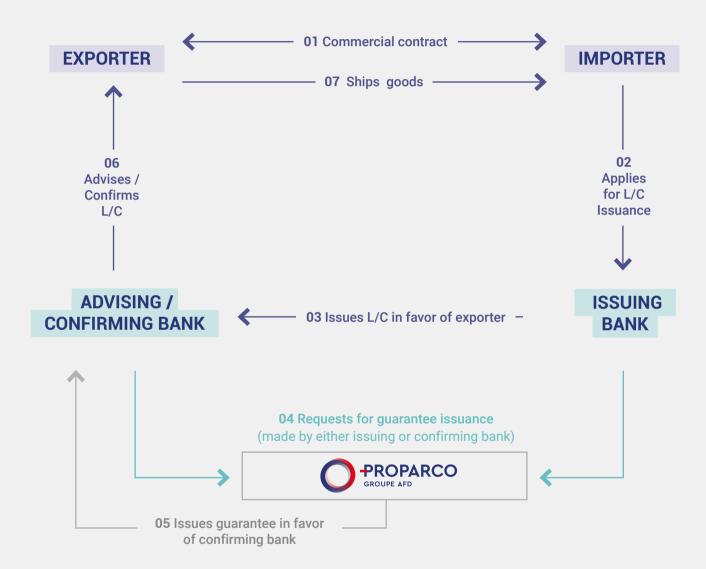


- · Reduction of cash collateral needs
- · Increased opportunities to develop new banking relationships
- Access to a wide range of financial growth support solutions offered by the group (debt, equity, products, etc).

#### **BENEFITS TO CONFIRMING BANKS**



- Access to new or challenging markets on a low-risk basis
- Opportunities to develop new banking relationships
- · Mitigation of Basel capital requirement
- · Larger geographical coverage for servicing export clients



The programme is governed by master agreements for issuing and confirming banks that ensure a fast and efficient process.

# **HOW TO JOIN**



**AS AN ISSUING BANK:** 

Screening Committee

Due Diligence Credit Committee Formalisation and signature



**AS A CONFIRMING BANK:** 

Acceptance of the Master Agreements

Formalisation and signature

### **COMPANY BRIEF**

EUR 8.2bn balance sheet at 31/12/2023 Standards & Poor's: AA/A-1+



450+ employees



13 regional offices and 10 local branches around the world



150 countries of operation

# NORTH AND SOUTH SHAREHOLDING



79.76% Agence française de

développement (AFD) French financial institutions 10.03% International financial institutions

1 37% 0.60%

Companies Ethical funds and foundations



# OUR MANDATE

Proparco contributes to financing and supporting companies and financial institutions in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East.



# **OUR TOOLS**

- · Loans · Equity · Quasi-equity
- · Investment funds · Guarantees
- Technical assistance
- · Delegated funds
- Concessional financing



# **OUR ACTION**

Proparco focuses on key sectors for development: infrastructure with a focus on renewable energies, agro-industry, financial institutions, health, education.



# **OUR ASSETS**

- + Multi-sectoral and geographical expertise
- + International presence
- + Financial strength (AFD Group)
- + Advice for structuring complex projects
- + Mobilization of third parties
- + Risk management

# **CONTACT US**

If you are a bank interested in participating in Proparco's Trade Guarantee Programme, please contact the Trade Finance team based in Paris.

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