



City of Venlo



Project Profile

The city of Venlo is financing its street lighting upgrade in order to equip around 16,000 lighting points with LED lights, which represent approx. 73% of the total lighting points of the city.

The city of Venlo has 100,000 inhabitants and is among the first cities in the Netherlands to have initiated climate and energy programmes, starting in 2004. The city's existing public lighting is the biggest consumer of electricity on its electricity bill. The city therefore prioritized upgrading its street lighting in order to reduce both its energy consumption and CO₂e emissions, as well as to save costs for the public budget.

The project is a further proof of the city's commitment to environmental sustainability, including its support for the principle of "cradle-to-cradle" as one of the first cities in the world.

Key figures	
Country	The Netherlands
Sector	Energy Efficiency/Street lighting
Type of investment	Senior debt
Total project size (€ m)	9.1
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Maturity	15 years
Estimated (t) CO ₂ e emission savings (p.a.)	427

Project Highlights

The Venlo transaction is the Fund's first direct lending structure to a municipality, and demonstrates the wide variety of financial products eeef can offer.

This street lighting project is linked to the preparation works resulting from technical assistance, as financed by the EC TA Facility. This enabled the city to tender and select the equipment manufacturer for the provision of the LED equipment.