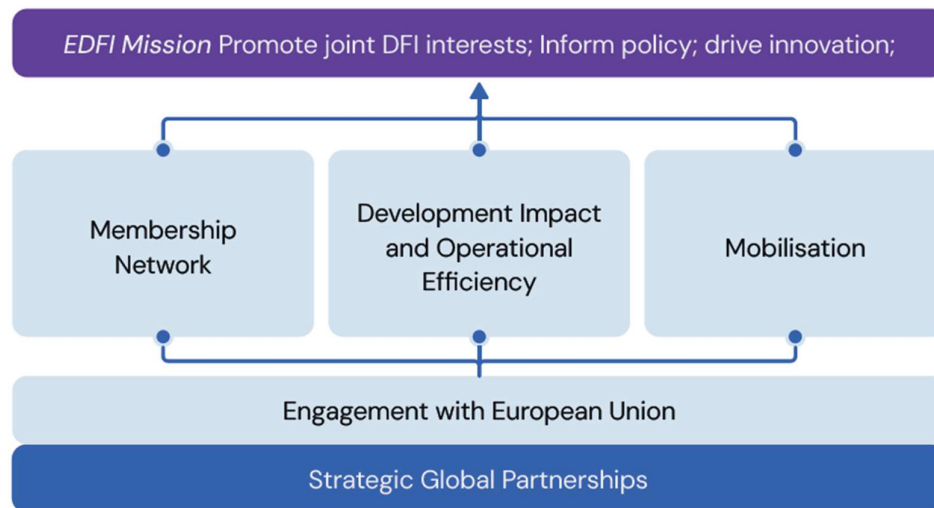


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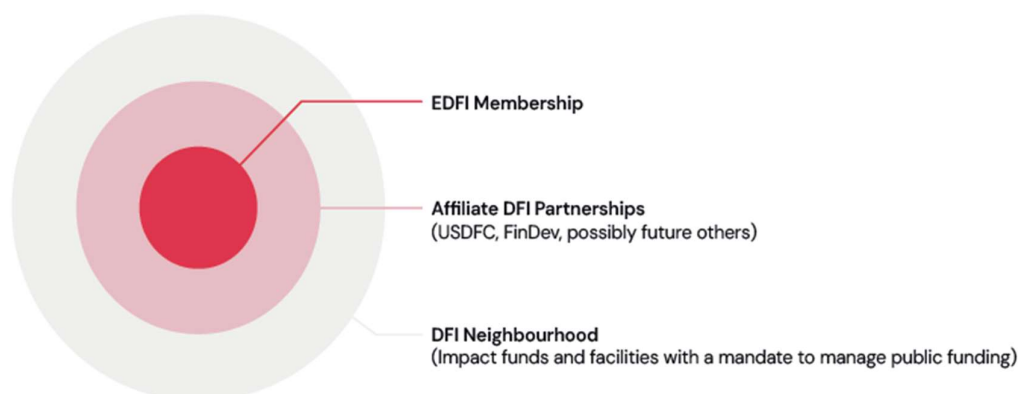
The EDFI strategic plan provides direction to the Association of European Development Finance Institutions from 2024 to 2027. Approved at the Annual General Meeting, it focuses on promoting development impact and operational efficiency, accelerating collective mobilising power to increase private finance for sustainable development and support the achievement of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, all while improving the EDFI Membership Network.

More than 3000 people work in our member organisations. These individuals form a unique, powerful, and agile community of change. Every working day they aspire to harness the good power of finance for climate action and reducing inequality. Through a diverse set of tools, they mobilise finance, skills and knowledge that help improve the lives of millions of people in developing countries and bring hope, optimism and stability to households and societies.



- **Promoting Development Impact and Operational Efficiency:** Advocating for improved regulatory frameworks, especially sustainable finance regulations, and for establishing incentives to enhance sustainable finance practices in the countries where EDFI operates, with a focus on driving development impact and operational efficiency.
- **Accelerating Collective Mobilising Power:** Significantly increasing the mobilisation of private finance for sustainable development to support the achievement of the 2030 Agenda goals, emphasising the importance of scaling up private capital mobilisation strategies.
- **Improving the EDFI Membership Network:** Enhancing the structure and practices within the EDFI Membership Network to foster creativity, innovation, and focused action, aiming to connect better and drive impactful outcomes.
- **Intensify partnership with the European Union** as a global player, be it (i) setting sustainable finance standards; (ii) providing innovation and instruments in the global development finance architecture; and (iii) using its geopolitical and economic weight to defend multilateralism, democracy, and free markets.
- Crosscutting these pillars are EDFI's **engagement with the European Union and strategic global partnerships**.

Structuring the entire DFI Community



EDFI Affiliate Partnerships: as EDFI operations and instruments have gained prominence in development finance in general, their global role requires structured affiliate partnerships to facilitate close cooperation with other DFIs, such as DFC and FinDev Canada. To that end, we will set up affiliate partnership agreements that will define the mutual benefits and govern the access of these DFIs to the Membership Network and products of the EDFI Association.

EDFI Neighbourhood: Harness a broader ecosystem of (semi-)private impact funds and facilities, called the DFI 'neighbourhood', who have more distance from the public arena. The EDFI Association will help maintain member connections to the public development agenda while harnessing the potential of this ecosystem through knowledge sharing, innovation initiatives, and intensified joint advocacy. Doing so accelerates global impact investing and contributes to making all finance sustainable.

Goals for 2024-2027

Development Impact and Operational Efficiency

- **Position DFIs as a key reference for the ongoing development of sustainable finance policies and regulations** affecting investments in developing markets.
- **Cost- and operational-efficiency** via targeted collaboration on DFI impact management, measurement, and reporting.
- **Position EDFI as a thought leader** in relation to sustainable finance, impact, and blended finance as a means of elevating the profile of the Association and enhancing advocacy and partnerships.

Mobilisation

- **Support emergence of replicable mobilisation strategies**, including structures, vehicles, and processes.
- **Scale up market creation** to ensure absorption capacity for mobilised funds.
- **Boost transparency & harmonisation of definitions** to attract private investors, extend knowledge.

Membership Network

- **Improve health of EDFI Membership network** through better focus, transparency, and oversight to boost coordination among EDFI bodies such as the CEO Forum, EDFI Board, and CIO Platform.
- **Boost and expand EDFI Academy** to stimulate networking, best practices sharing, and a sense of common purposes and values. Explore synergies with members' academies offering.

Engagement with the European Union

- **Ensure the European Union remains a key partner** in DFI strategy implementation.
- **Enhance active participation and visibility within Team Europe/Global Gateway strategy** and the broader EU external action/development policy sphere.
- **Consolidate EDFI's prominent role and place as a strong network of impact investors** within the European Financial Architecture for Development (EFAD) governance and strategic development.
- **Help position DFIs for the future Multi-Annual Financial Framework and in EFAD.**

Global partnerships

- **Optimise the influence of EDFI on the global development finance architecture in a more focused manner**, with a view to accelerating the SDGs.