

# Ukraine: two renovated schools in Vinnytsia Oblast open for new school year with EIB support

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Two schools in Ukraine's Vinnytsia Oblast have reopened after significant renovations, just in time for the new school year.

The two schools – the Lyceum №2 in Stryzhavka village and Miziakivsko-Khutirskyi Lyceum in Miziakivski-Khutory village – have been equipped with energy-efficient technologies, including upgraded wall and roof insulation and new energy-efficient windows and doors.

The school renovation projects, costing together €585,000, were carried out under the Ukraine Recovery Programme, a joint initiative of the European Union and its bank, the European Investment Bank (EIB), aiming to help Ukrainian municipalities to rebuild social infrastructure. The programme is being implemented in partnership with Ukraine's Ministry for Communities and Territories Development, Ministry of Finance, and local authorities – in this

case, the Vinnytsia Regional State Administration – with technical assistance from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Ukraine.

*“Against the backdrop of the shocking daily reports of destruction in Ukrainian cities, the reopening of these schools in Vinnytsia Oblast stands as a powerful symbol of the resilience and determination of Ukrainians, who continue their important work,”* said EIB Vice-President Teresa Czerwińska, who is responsible for the Bank’s operations in Ukraine. *“Our goal is to help rebuild a stronger, more resilient Ukraine and to contribute to the investments needed on its path to EU accession.”*

To date, seven recovery projects are currently in progress in Vinnytsia Oblast under two EIB programmes – the Ukraine Early Recovery Programme and the Ukraine Recovery Programme. These projects encompass four schools, two critical pieces of infrastructure, and one public building with two sub-projects already completed and others at various stages of construction.

The follow-up programme (Ukraine Recovery III) is expected to be announced soon, and communities will be able to submit applications for small-scale reconstruction projects in the education, health, heating, public housing, water and wastewater sectors.



