Export Credit Guarantees

Export cover

with the support of the federal government

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Instruments to promote foreign trade and investment

- **Hermes Cover**
  - To protect export transactions, in particular in difficult and high-risk markets, against a payment default for commercial / political reasons.

- **Untied Loan Finance**
  - To support the external financing of raw materials projects abroad which are eligible for cover and secure the supply of the German industry with raw materials.

- **Direct Investments Abroad**
  - To protect direct investments of German companies in emerging markets and developing countries against political risks.

- **The Foreign Trade and Investment Agency of the Federal Republic of Germany**
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- **Bundling of institutions, organisations and networks**
  - Bundling of institutions, organisations and networks to support German companies in their foreign business activities.
Involvement of Export Credit Agencies

Exporters are confronted with various risks that can be mitigated and managed with the help of an ECA - ECAs help strengthen exports to difficult markets.

- Export transactions involve higher risks than domestic transactions...
- … these types of risk are partially not marketable and thus lead to a market failure ...
- … this is where state-supported credit insurances step in and provide cover.

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<th>Commercial risks</th>
<th>Political risks</th>
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<td>Protracted default</td>
<td>Convertibility and transfer risk</td>
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✓ ECAs are governmental institutions and play a major role in the international export finance community
✓ They intend to only offer support which is not available on the private market
Euler Hermes is mandated by the German government to manage the German Export Credit Scheme and to support German exporters.

- Exposure limit EUR 150 bn
- Indemnification is directly paid from the federal account
- Premium and fees are directly paid to the federal account
- Risk exposure is directly booked against the federal budget ("below-the-line" exposure limit in the budget law)
- German companies and financial institutions
- Administration is handled by the mandataries

Contract between government and mandataries
German suppliers offer a diverse range of goods and services – we support (almost) all industries, sectors and/or structures.
Why Export Credit Guarantees?

Federal Government:
Support for German exports to emerging markets

Exporters:
Produce and trade safely with the support of the federal government

Foreign customer:
German goods and services reliable with payment term

Hermes Cover as an important building block of the exporters success!
German ECA Competence Abroad

Objective: Permanent strong presence of competence centres in key markets

- Increasing consulting needs in local markets (One-Stop-Shop)
- Start of „Hermes Desk Turkey“ in May 2022, after successful pilot in Dubai
- Development of increasing local presence of other ECA's / international competition

2023: Côte d'Ivoire
Interministerial Committee - IMC

**Mandatory**
Euler Hermes Aktiengesellschaft

**Experts**
KfW IPEX-Bank
AKA
export and banking industry

**BMWK**
Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action (in charge)

**BMF**
Federal Ministry of Finance

**BMZ**
Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development

**AA**
Federal Foreign Office
2022 – Business performance at a glance

Cover volume
14,9 EUR bn (2021: 20,2)
- 26%

Claims payments
196 EUR m (2021: 289)
- 32%

Cover applications
Volume
23,7 EUR bn (2021: 40,3)
- 41%

Number
6301 (2021: 8,211)
- 23%

Financial result
+413 EUR m (2021: +465)
- 11%
Risks in export transactions

**Fabrication**
- Embargo
- Rescission of contract

**Delivery**
- Loss of proceeds for political reasons
- Embargo
- Rescission of contract

**Payment**
- Conversion and transfer risks
- Suspension of payment

**Anytime**
- Debtor’s insolvency
- Legislative or administrative measures
- War, warlike events, riot, revolution
- Un-favourable circumstances
Objectives of the Export Credit Guarantees

Promotion of German exports through coverage against political and commercial risks in favour of exporters and banks

Objectives

- Protection against bad debt losses
- Support for the opening up of new markets
- Maintaining trade relations in difficult economic circumstances
- Safeguarding German workforce
- Facilitating the financing of exports
- A level playing field for German exporters
- Subsidiarity to the private insurance market
Requirements for cover

Certain requirements have been defined, which need to be met in order to receive cover

The transaction is eligible for support and/or deserves particular promotion.

The risk is justifiable, i.e. there is a reasonable prospect for the execution of the transaction without the occurrence of a claim.

The terms of the contract are in accordance with international rules (OECD/BU) and basic agreements for export business (common practice).

The provisions of the Federal Budget Law are observed (in particular with regard to general and country specific budget limits).
Forms of cover

**Wholeturnover and revolving cover**
- Wholeturnover Policy
- Wholeturnover Policy light
- Revolving supplier credit cover
- Revolving buyer credit cover
- Framework credit cover

**Single transaction cover**
- Manufacturing risk cover
- Supplier credit cover
- Buyer credit cover
- Export credit cover for service providers
- Constructional works cover

**Special sectoral provisions**
- Airbus Guarantee
- Project financing
- Ship financing
- Renewable energy, climate protection, climate change mitigation and water projects

**Supplementary forms of cover**
- Credit confirmation risk cover
- Counter-guarantee
- (rev.) Confiscation risk cover
- Leasing cover
- Securitisation Guarantee
- Securitisation Guarantee for the KfW Refinancing Programme
- Contract bond cover
Financing options
Buyer Credit Cover (Bank to Buyer)

Cover in the event of borrowers default on loans extended to finance procurement of goods; revolving buyer credit cover and framework credit cover.

- **buyer**
- **exporter**
- **bank**

Diagram:
- Export contract/delivery from exporter to buyer.
- Buyer price payment from buyer to exporter.
- Loan contract/Payment installments from bank to buyer.
- Commitment declaration from exporter to bank.
- Hermes Cover

Relationships:
- Buyer credit cover (bank to buyer)
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Supplier Credit Cover

Foreign buyer

Delivery (e.g. 3 years credit)

repayment of loan (in 6 semiannual instalments for principal plusdegressive interest)

Supplier Credit Guarantee from the Federal Government

Exporter

Refinancing (if applicable)

Lending bank or forfaiting house
Local costs – i.e. supplies and services sourced in the buyer’s country – can be included in cover. Pursuant to the OECD Consensus OECD-Consensus such an inclusion is possible in connection with credit-funded transactions with a repayment term of more than two years up to a maximum amount of 28.6% (for OECD high-income countries) or 33.3% (for all other countries) of the total order value.
Business in practice
### Top 5 countries

**Latin America** (in million EUR)

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<td>Hong Kong (China)</td>
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<td>49,7</td>
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**Top 5 countries 2022:** 2,298,6 171,8

**Share 2022:** 82,8% 68,3%

**Total 2022: (100 %)** 2,774,5 251,7

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**Share 2022:** 84,9% 99,0%

**Total 2022: (100 %)** 1,358,4 694,1

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**Note:**
- **Short**, **Medium a. long**: Short-term, Medium and Long-term.
Chile
Volume of Cover and Policy

The country is a high-income country of the OECD or the Eurozone, which has not been classified by the OECD with regard to its risk.

Short-term & medium/long-term Business:
There are no formal restrictions on cover.
Collateral is not normally required.

Country Risk Category: ./ of 7
Vietnam
Volume of Cover and Policy

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Collateral:
For short-term transactions bank security is required if the foreign buyer's creditworthiness is inadequate. As a rule, bank security is required for medium/long-term transactions.

The assessment of a bank for acceptance as a guarantor or borrower is carried out case by case on the basis of informative documents and taking into account the risk involved.

Country Risk Category: 4 of 7
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Top 5 countries 2022: 605,7 million EUR
Share 2022: 58,8% short-term, 81,7% medium and long-term
Total 2022: (100 %) 1,029,8 million EUR
Cover Policies

Egypt (Compact with Africa Country)

Short-term Business
For transactions with public buyers cover facilities are available on a case-by-case basis

This applies preferably to:
- transactions which promote the country’s economic development and domestic production (productive projects)
- transactions which contribute to an improvement of the institutional environment
- infrastructure and environmental projects
- transactions generating foreign exchange.
For transactions with private buyers cover facilities are available for transactions with credit periods of up to 360 days if informative information material on the buyer is available which, subject to the application of strict criteria, justifies the granting of cover. Besides, cover is available for affiliated companies or companies belonging to an international group the creditworthiness of which is beyond doubt.

Medium/long-term Business
For transactions with public buyers cover facilities are available on a case-by-case basis

This applies preferably to:
- transactions which promote the country’s economic development and domestic production (productive projects)
- transactions which contribute to an improvement of the institutional environment
- infrastructure and environmental projects
- transactions generating foreign exchange.
There are no formal restrictions on cover for transactions with private buyers.

Collateral
For medium and long-term transactions bank security has to be provided if the buyer’s creditworthiness is inadequate.

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Country Risk Category: 6 of 7

Kenya

Short-term Business
There are no formal restrictions on cover.

Medium/long-term Business
Cover facilities are available on a case-by-case basis.
In addition, cover is available for project finance and other structured finance deals, where necessary based on countertrade transactions.

Collateral
For transactions with credit periods of less than 360 days collateral is not normally required.
As a rule, guarantees from the Ministry of Finance or the central bank are required for medium/long-term transactions with public buyers.

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Country Risk Category: 7 of 7
Thank you for your attention!

Cover from the Federal Republic of Germany for foreign business

Export Credit Guarantees and Untied Loan Guarantees have been established and effective foreign trade promotion instruments of the Federal Government for decades. Export Credit Guarantees (so-called Hermes Cover) protect German exporters and banks financing exports against political and commercial risks. Untied Loan Guarantees are to support raw material projects abroad regarded as eligible for promotion by the Federal Government. Both promotion instruments play an important role in fostering economic growth as well as in protecting and creating jobs. Federal Government commissioned Euler Hermes Aktiengesellschaft to manage the federal funding instruments Export Credit Guarantees and Untied Loan Guarantees.

Information on other foreign trade promotion instruments of the Federal Government can be found at www.bmwk.de/en under the heading Promotion of Foreign Trade and Investment.

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