

EXPORT CREDIT GUARANTEES OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

Hermes Cover

New opportunities with Hermes Cover in challenging markets

Package of Measures

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Why Export Credit Guarantees?







German Government:

Support for the German export industry primarily in emerging markets

Exporters/Banks:

Secure transactions with the support of the federal government based on attractive financing options Foreign customers:

German goods and services reliably with payment terms

Hermes cover = decisive building block for your success



Package of Measures Overview

Extended eligibility for cover

 flex&cover complements 49 PLUS rules on foreign content with a company-based audit approach

Improved Shopping Line Cover

Creates incentives for sourcing in Germany
 contract structures for EPC transactions

Forfaiting Guarantee

Extended and easier use of the Forfaiting Guarantee



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Counter Guarantee

- ✓ Improved Counter Guarantees
 - in particular maximum amount per exporter



Defence

 Adaptation of the coverage policy for the security and defence sector

flex&cover

Introduction of a **company-specific eligibility test** in addition to the existing approaches (such as 49 PLUS).

Focus on **the company's contribution to prosperity and growth** in Germany from covered and uncovered business.

The exporter demonstrates this during the application process (separate from applications for transactions) on the basis of specified criteria.



Criteria relevant to the decision are: research & development, taxes, investments, company headquarters, number of employees, education, regional significance of German production sites.

Validity of the eligibility commitment: 3 years, calculated from the decision.



As a result, no more transaction-related checks on foreign content.







Strengthen exports with Shopping Line Cover

- Making best possible use of Germany's broad export base
- With Hermes cover, you benefit from Germany's **AAA rating** for your financing
- **Exporters** deliver as usual to their foreign customer with a strong credit rating and receive their payment directly from him
- With shopping line cover, numerous deliveries and services **from different exporters can** be secured quickly and unbureaucratically with just one credit line.
- Your foreign customer combines the deliveries in **tranches** and calls them up from the Federal Government via the financing bank.





Incentives for sourcing in Germany



Improvement and flexibilization of shopping line coverage as an easy-to-use product of market development for German exporters (including e.g. match-making events).



Increased attractiveness by **simplifying conditions**, **auditing and loan processing**.



Two-year introductory phase, in which the improvements will be further developed on the basis of concrete individual cases in order to achieve a competitive design in this respect.

Starting points are, for example, more flexible importer's access, earlier drawing option, simplified / flat-rate payment requirements, more risk-oriented payment due dates).



Flexibilization of the coverage of contract structures for larger projects, including EPC contractors.



Inclusion of **independently contracted supply components** from abroad, which complement those of the German exporter within the framework of the overall project.



Shopping Line Cover (SLG) – Structure

Shopping Line Cover (e.g. EUR 300 million)

Request for LOI	Offer of Cover	Final Commitment	Importer is using SLG (one or various drawdowns, flexible repayments, according to OECD Arrangement)
Explanations: - Requested amount of the credit line	Formal application of the bank	Cover of the credit line (technically: Buyer Credit Cover modified by Special Terms and Conditions)	Bank informs EH about drawings, premium paid on the amount of each drawing (upfront on request), no formal approval necessary
 Previous purchases in Germany Future purchases in Germany 	Basis for discussions: ECA Term Sheet		Monitoring report of the bank once a year (based on importer's data)
	Currencies: EUR, USD	Importer signs Importer's Declaration	Experiences of this SLG are incorporated into the application for subsequent cover



Package of measures foreign content – basic information

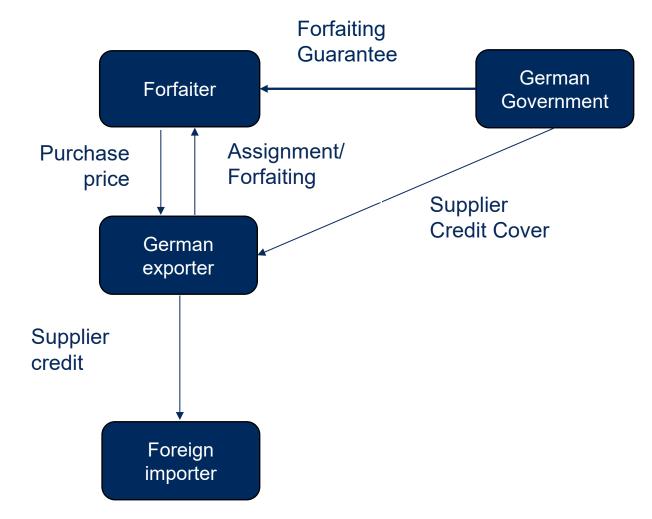
Adjustment of the regulations for single transaction coverage

Certificate of origin (unc	changed)	49 PLUS / Climate strategy (unchanged)	
No further examination if a German certificate of origin		- Up to 49% withou - Over 49% in indiv	al cases with justification oreliminary request possible)
is available.	Foreign Content Rules		- Climate strategy (up to 70%)
flex&cover (new)			Signing of a contract abroad
Company-specific eligibility assessment based on several qualitative criteria that assess the company's positive contribution to value creation for the German national economy; valid for 3 years		 Generally by German exporter In individual cases also possible by the company of the German exporter in the country of order New: independently contracted abroad, as part of an overall project (e.g. EPC) 	



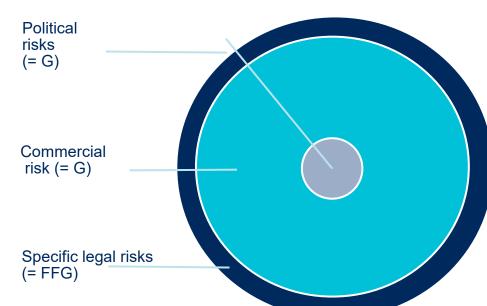
Forfaiting Guarantee Structural Scheme





Forfaiting Guarantee Overview Risks (Beneficiary's View)





G = Supplier Credit Cover FFG = Forfaiting Guarantee



Specific legal risks

- Effectiveness of supplier credit claim
- Validity of the assignment (if not under German law)
- Violations of obligations by the exporter

Claims procedure

- Waiting period protracted default 1 month
- Claims processing period 1 month

Forfaiting Guarantee

The aim is to **increase the marketability of the Forfaiting Guarantee** through various improvements (maximum amount EUR 10 million).



Flexibilization of the time of payment of the forfaited claim

Access to the product for **trading companies** in the case of business eligible for support

Increase in **cover ratio** from 80% to **95%**



Banks with a licence to issue German covered bonds ("Pfandbriefe") can obtain **additional Covered Bond Guarantee (PfD-FFG)** for covered export credit receivables that are to be refinanced in the bank's own Pfandbrief business.







Counter-Guarantee



Improvement of the possibilities of using the Counter-Guarantee

General **increase of the maximum amount from EUR 80 million to EUR 120 million per exporter**, in individual cases even higher



Determination of a **higher maximum amount** at exporter level for **particularly eligible transactions on a case-by-case basis** for the period of proven increased guarantee requirements



Reasons for this can be climate **transformation** or another increase in contract value that contributes to strengthening **resilience and technological/transformative sovereignty of Germany as a business location**.

Security and defence industry



Expansion of cover options for arms exports



Decisions on exports of military goods will be expanded.

This applies in particular to the goods and **recipient countries that** can be insured.



There will also be no cover options for exports of military goods to **embargoed countries** in the future.

In addition, the conditions will be improved by making it possible to secure **long-term financing** in the future.



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Matching opportunities are created for specific competitive situations.

In addition, the conditions of the primary insurer will generally be followed **in future for reinsurance business.**

On the procedural side, there will be simplifications.





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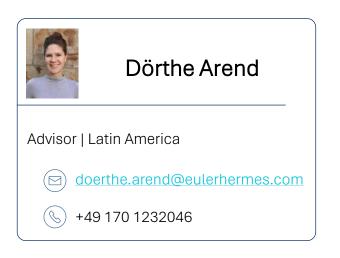


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Cover from the Federal Republic of Germany for foreign business

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 rote 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.



Export Credit Guarantees and Untied Loan Guarantees: instruments to promote foreign trade and investment provided by the



Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action

Commissioned to implement the federal funding instruments Export Credit Guarantees and Untied Loan Guarantees:



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