

EDC's **Bonding Services** come into play in many international transactions, particularly those involving capital equipment as well as projects where customers may require exporters to post bonds guaranteeing their bid, performance or any advances received from them. Performance Security Insurance protects exporters from wrongful calls made on their bonds. Guarantees, on the other hand, provide banks with coverage against any calls pursuant to the guarantees issued on an exporter's behalf. In transactions where the exporter is required to post surety bonds instead of bank letters of guarantee, EDC may issue the bond directly to the buyer.

Political Risk Insurance is available to support Canadian companies with investments in foreign countries and to support lenders who finance transactions pursued by Canadian companies abroad. EDC's cover protects against political risks such as: transfer difficulties, whereby an investor is unable to convert local earnings into hard currency or repatriate hard currency; expropriation, whereby an investor is unable to use its assets or conduct business due to the direct or indirect actions of the host government; war, revolution and insurrection, whereby the project's assets are destroyed or business operations are discontinued due to politically motivated conflict.

EDC may also provide **Equity** and other forms of related investments in projects or international companies through participation in market- or sector-focused investment funds. This allows EDC to offer broader support to Canadian firms, attract additional sources of financing, foster cooperation among Canadian firms and their partners and assist Canadians to compete globally.

EDC aims to provide the highest quality service to Canada's export and trade community for the benefit of Canada.

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