Early Warning System

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Quick Facts

Countries	Turkiye
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	FI
Voting Date	2016-07-20
Borrower	TURKIYE VAKIFLAR BANKASI T.A.O.
Sectors	Energy, Finance
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 54.00 million

Project Description

The EBRD has approved EUR 50 million (or its USD or TRY equivalent) financing to Turkish lender Vakifbank under the Turkey Sustainable Energy Financing Facility Framework Ext I (TurSEFF II). This is a follow-up transaction with Vakifbank under TurSEFF II and builds on the company's successful track record in on-lending funds to private sector borrowers for energy efficiency and small-scale renewable energy investments. The project can be funded through a range of financing instruments, including but not limited to senior notes issued under the company's existing Diversified Payment Rights programme or residential mortgage covered bonds.

Investment Description

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

TURKIYE VAKIFLAR BANKASI T.A.O., listed on Borsa Istanbul, is a full-service commercial and retail bank in Turkey with a wide regional network. The company is a quasi-state-owned entity as it is indirectly majority-owned (58.5%) by the General Directorate of Foundations, a governmental institution. 16.1% are owned by the employees' pension fund and another 25.2% are publicly traded on Borsa Istanbul. Vakifbank is the seventh largest commercial bank by assets and the third largest state-controlled bank in Turkey and is currently rated Baa3 by Moody's and BBB- by Fitch.

TurSEFF II is supported by a comprehensive technical cooperation programme of EUR 5.4 million to provide implementation support to participating financial institutions and sub-borrowers. Funding is provided by the EU, initially from the EU/EBRD SME Finance Facility (2006 sub-account) and since July 2015, from the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance (IPA) agreement "Enhancement of Turkish Energy Sector in line with EU Energy Strategies".

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