AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

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PROJECT SUMMARY NOTE

ECOWAS BANK FOR INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (EBID)

Strengthening EBID's Financial Capacity in Support of ECOWAS agenda for Greater Economic and Financial Integration

REGIONAL

June 2026

Facility for Strengthening EBID's Financial Capacity in Support of the Agenda for Consolidating ECOWAS Economic and Financial Integration	
Project description	The project consists of providing the ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID) with: (i) an equity investment of USD 30 million, thereby making the Bank the largest non-regional shareholder and granting it a seat on EBID's Board of Directors; and (ii) a USD 70 million credit line, with a 15-year maturity including a 2-year grace period, aimed primarily at supporting the financing of projects along the clean energy production value chain in West Africa.
Client	Established in 1999 and headquartered in Lomé, Togo, EBID is the financial arm of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS). It operates through two windows: "private sector operations" and "public sector operations." As of 31 December 2025, its authorised capital stood at USD 3.4 billion, with 70% reserved for regional members (ECOWAS Member States) and the remaining 30% open to non-regional members. EBID currently has only regional members. Since December 2023, Moody's has upgraded EBID's rating from B2 (negative outlook) in 2022 to B2 with a stable outlook to date. Fitch has assigned a B rating with a positive outlook since April 2026. EBID's strong local knowledge, proven experience, and expanded mandate are key elements of its competitiveness in accessing strategic projects in West Africa. As of end-2025, EBID's total loan portfolio stood at approximately USD 2.05 billion, with the public sector accounting for 51% (USD 1.05 billion) and the private sector for 49% (approximately USD 1 billion).
Project cost structure and financing plan	By 2030, EBID plans to raise approximately USD 2.7 billion from strategic partners, including DFIs and commercial banks. The Bank's funding strategy is based on two pillars: (i) securing capital contributions from countries and highly rated DFIs, and (ii) mobilizing credit lines under the most favourable market conditions.
The Bank's role	The Bank's role consists of providing: (i) an equity investment of USD 30 million and (ii) a USD 70 million credit line to finance clean energy production projects, with a 15-year maturity including a 2-year grace period, to be disbursed in two equal tranches.
Implementation arrangements	The implementation of the Facility will be governed by the signing by both entities of: (i) the Loan Agreement setting out the terms and conditions of the loan, and (ii) the Subscription Agreement governing the AfDB's equity participation in EBID's capital.
The market[1]	ECOWAS economic growth is estimated at around 4.3% in 2026, marking a slight slowdown compared to 2025 (4.5%). This deceleration is driven by a more uncertain global environment, particularly rising energy prices and geopolitical tensions, as well as persistent domestic constraints in several economies across the region. Despite this slowdown, growth continues to be supported by the major West African economies, notably Nigeria (3.2%), Côte d'Ivoire (6.3%), Ghana (3.5%), and Benin (6%), alongside sustained momentum in the services sector and public investment. West Africa continues to face shared challenges, particularly in infrastructure modernization and energy transition. In this context, EBID would strengthen its capacity to finance large-scale regional projects, thereby promoting economic integration and investments in key sectors such as energy and infrastructure. A partnership with the AfDB would help catalyze private investment and support inclusive, resilient, and sustainable growth in West Africa.
Strategic alignment	The Facility is fully aligned with the Bank's long-term strategic objectives (2024–2033), as well as the four Cardinal Points, namely "Scaling up access to financing," "Reforming Africa's financial architecture," and "Building resilient infrastructure." It also supports the NAFAD initiative by providing capital to African DFIs such as EBID, thereby strengthening their regional footprint and their capacity to finance a greater number of projects within the ECOWAS region. Furthermore, it is consistent with (i) the West Africa RISP strategies, given EBID's mandate, and (ii) the criteria for public sector enterprises under the Non-Sovereign Operations (NSO) policy. It also complements the Bank's Ten-Year Strategy on sustainable access to clean energy, as well as Gender Strategy.
Development outcomes	The Facility is expected to contribute to EBID's objective of reaching a balance sheet size of USD 2.4 billion and disbursements of USD 293 million by 2026. The credit line is expected to mobilize approximately USD 230 million in financing for renewable energy production, including at least four solar and hydropower installations representing an additional capacity of 207 MW. The expected outcomes include improved electricity access for more than 250,000 households, impacting nearly 1.4 million people and mitigating 355,500 tonnes of annual CO_2 emissions. Furthermore, the funded initiatives will drive local skills, development and employment with youth accounting for more than 70 per cent of all newly created permanent jobs.
Environmental and Social Safeguards	The environmental and social category of the project has been confirmed as Category 1 in accordance with the Bank's Integrated Safeguards System (ISS) E&S requirements. EBID's Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS) was previously approved by the Bank under a prior operation. For the present operation, the ESMS appraisal report was disclosed on the Bank's website on 23 June 2025, and the Bank approved the Environmental and Social Management Plan for the Financing Agreement (ESMP-FA) on the same date. The project complies with the Bank's Integrated Safeguards System requirements and is eligible to proceed to the approval stage. The project is considered compliant with the Bank's Integrated Safeguards System.

Gender	A portion of the credit line resources will support women-owned/ led SMEs (WSMEs). EBID will also benefit from the AFAWA Grow FI technical assistance programme to strengthen its capacity for gender-responsive financing.
Climate change and green growth	The project is aligned with the Paris Agreement and the Bank's Climate Change and Green Growth Strategic Framework (2021–2030).

1 Source: African Economic Outlook 2025

Environmental and Social Compliance Note (ESCON)

A. Basic Information[2]		
Project Title: USD 100 million facility for the ECOWAS Bank for Investment and Development (EBID)	**Project SAP or TFMS Code:** P-Z1-HAA-110	
Region: RDGW	**Country:** Multinational	
Project Sector Unit: Financial Sector Development and Inclusion	**Lending Instrument:** Unsecured Non Sovereign Loan	
Appraisal dates: 30-Jun-25 **to** 4-Jul-25	**Estimated Approval Date:** 12-Jun-26	
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E&S Category: Category 1 (High Risk)	**Operation Type:** Non-Sovereign Operation / Private Sector Operation	**Financial Intermediary:** Yes
Categorization Date: 24-May-25	**Categorization Date in ISTS:** 24-May-25	**Categorization Date in SAP:** 24-May-25
Is this project processed under rapid responses to crises and emergencies?	No	
Is this project processed under a waiver to ISS requirement(s) requested by the Borrower/Client and granted by the Board?	No	

B. Disclosure and Compliance Monitoring **B.1 Mandatory disclosure**[3]	
Environmental and Social Assessment/Audit/System/Others: *Environmental and Social Management System Assessment report (01),* ***Environmental and Social Assessment Procedures (01), Environmental and Social Policy (01)***	
Was/Were the document (s) disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Yes
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	2-Apr-22
Date of receipt, by the Bank, of the authorization to disclose	26-Oct-22
Date of disclosure by the Bank	23-Jun-25
Resettlement Action Plan (RAP)[4]**:** Not Applicable	
Was/Were the document (s) disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
Date of receipt, by the Bank, of the authorization to disclose	Click to select the date
Date of disclosure by the Bank	Click to select the date
Stakeholder Engagement Plan (SEP)[5]**:** Not Applicable	
Was/Were the document (s) disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
Date of receipt, by the Bank, of the authorization to disclose	Click to select the date
Date of disclosure by the Bank	Click to select the date

[2] ***Note**: This ESCON shall be appended to project appraisal reports/documents before Senior Management and/or Board approvals.*
[3] *For multiple disclosure dates of the same type of document/instrument (ESIAs, RAPs, etc), please indicate the date of the last disclosure that meets the 50%+1 disclosure requirement.*
[4] *Including Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP)*
[5] *Including Grievance Redress Mechanism (GRM)*

Pest or Vector Management Plan (PMP/VMP): Not Applicable	
Was/Were the document (s) disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
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Vulnerable Peoples Plan (VPP): Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
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Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP)[6]: Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
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Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP)[7]: Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
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Riparian Communities Participation Plan (RCPP): Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
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Emergency Preparedness & Response Plan (EPRP): Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	Click to select the date
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Hazardous/Medical Waste Management Plan (HWMP): Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable

[6] Refer to footnote 212 of the ISS: Depending on the nature and the scale of the risks and impacts of the project, the Biodiversity Management Plan (BMP) may be a stand-alone document, or it may be included as part of the ESMP prepared under OS1. Select this if a standalone BMP is required.

[7] Refer to footnote 190 of the ISS: The Livelihood Restoration Plan (LRP) is normally part of the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP). However, for complex livelihood restoration, a stand-alone LRP can be prepared as part of the ESMP. Select this if a standalone LRP is required.

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Riparian Notification (RN): Not Applicable	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Not Applicable
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Environmental and Social Management Plan of the Financing Agreement (FA-ESMP) [8]	
Was the document disclosed ***prior to appraisal?***	Yes
Date of "in-country" disclosure by the borrower/client	24-Jun-25
Date of receipt, by the Bank, of the authorization to disclose	26-Jun-25
Date of disclosure by the Bank	26-Jun-25
Is in-country disclosure of any of the above required documents not allowed as per the country's legislation or not expected because of crises/emergencies:	Not Applicable
If applicable, please explain below:	
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B.2. Compliance monitoring indicators	
Has satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes
Has costs related to environmental and social measures, including for the running of the grievance redress mechanism, been included in the project cost?	Yes
Is the total amount for the full implementation for the Resettlement of affected people, as integrated in the project costs, effectively mobilized, and secured?[9]	Not Applicable
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	Yes

C. Clearance	
Is the project compliant with the Bank's environmental and social safeguards requirements, and can be submitted to Approval?	Yes

[8] *As referred to in section III.2.3 of the Bank's Environmental and Social Policy (ESP)*

[9] *In case a Resettlement Action Plan (RAP) is/are not required although the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) is/are disclosed, attached the image/picture/photo of the area/site/landscape to evidence that it is free of any encumbrance (simple statement or letter from the borrower does not suffice), in addition to the statement by the Borrower that it is a public-owned land.*

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