



Dem Rep Congo - Western Growth Poles (P124720)

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Implementing Agencies: Ministry of Finance

Key Dates

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Board Approval date:11-Jun-2013

Effectiveness Date:16-Oct-2013

Planned Mid Term Review Date:16-Nov-2016

Actual Mid-Term Review Date:--

Original Closing Date:30-Aug-2019

Revised Closing Date:30-Aug-2019

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The proposed Project Development Objective (PDO) is to increase productivity and employment in selected value chains in target zones.

Has the Project Development Objective been changed since Board Approval of the Project Objective?

No

Components

Name

Agriculture Value Chains Development in Bas-Congo:(Cost \$48.00 M)

Special Economic Zone of Maluku:(Cost \$27.00 M)

Proactive Business Development:(Cost \$16.00 M)

Coordination, Monitoring, Communication and Impact Assessment:(Cost \$8.00 M)

Overall Ratings

Name	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Progress towards achievement of PDO	● Satisfactory	● Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Implementation Progress (IP)	● Satisfactory	● Moderately Satisfactory
Overall Risk Rating	--	● High



Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The project was signed on July 22, 2013 and declared effective on October 16, 2013. The Project Coordination Unit (PCU) is anchored in the Cellule d'exécution des financements en faveur des états fragiles or CFEF, within the Ministry of Finance. Additional staff have been competitively recruited to strengthen the CFEF which is fully operational since February 2014. The project was launched officially in Kinshasa on April 26, 2014 and launched in the Bas-Congo in September 2014.

IMPLEMENTATION PROGRESS: PCU staff have been receiving regular training in procurement and financial management. A communication strategy has been prepared in close collaboration with the Bank's senior communication officer. A results monitoring system is put in place, in parallel with the Impact Evaluation (IE) work being carried out by the Bank's PREM team (Gender Lab), focusing on impact of project activities under Component 1 on beneficiaries of agricultural extension services and rural roads rehabilitation in the Bas-Congo, with a special focus on women's productivity. The IE team has made tremendous progress in designing the evaluation and attended the project launch in Bas-Congo.

The project has been making progress in the implementation of all components.

For Component 1 (Agriculture Value Chains Development in Bas-Congo), contracts have been signed with key agencies involved in the implementation of Component 1, as follows:

- MoU with INERA on the production of basic seeds and seedlings;
- MoU with SENASEM on the certification of seeds produced by INERA and registration of agricultural multipliers;
- MoU with DVDA on the monitoring of rehabilitation and maintenance of rural roads and capacity building of beneficiaries and structures.

An independent firm (INADES) has been hired to conduct a diagnostic of the main farmers' organisation involved in the implementation of project activities in the Bas-Congo (FOPAKO) and of other existing organizations in order to develop an action plan for the structuring and professionalisation of farmers. The diagnostic has been completed and will be presented in a workshop in the coming days.

All technical studies for the 500 km of rural roads that will be rehabilitated under this project have been prepared and reviewed by the Bank. The next step is to launch the bidding process, in collaboration with DVDA. Eligible community organizations are currently being registered as potential providers of rehabilitation (construction and maintenance) services for each 5 km stretch of road to be rehabilitated. Technical specification for all rural electrification works have also been finalized and are ready for implementation in synch with the other infrastructure improvements.

For Component 2 (Special Economic Zone of Maluku), an independent consultant was hired by the CFEF to help in the drafting of key ToRs, including for the transaction adviser that will assist the Government in competitively selecting a private developer for the SEZ. He also helped define the structure and modus operandi of the AZES, unit that will be put in place to implement SEZ activities at the national level. A government decree for implementing the resettlement plan for the SEZ is in final round of cabinet approval.

On Component 3 (Proactive Business development), the team is examining alternative options to anchor the Project Development Fund that will aim to support SMEs in the preparation of business plans. The recruitment of firms that will work on trade facilitation at the Port of Matadi and business reforms is underway.

PAD can be disclosed any time.

Compliance with effectiveness conditions can be disclosed.

Declaration of effectiveness can be disclosed.



Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

Risk Category	Rating at Approval	Previous Rating	Current Rating
Political and Governance	--	--	● Substantial
Macroeconomic	--	--	● Moderate
Sector Strategies and Policies	--	--	● Moderate
Technical Design of Project or Program	--	--	● High
Institutional Capacity for Implementation and Sustainability	--	--	● High
Fiduciary	--	--	● High
Environment and Social	--	--	● High
Stakeholders	--	--	● High
Other	--	--	--
Overall	--	--	● High

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

► Number of jobs created in select value chains (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	11000.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▲ Of which female (Percentage, Custom Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019



► Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Core)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	50000.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▲ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Core Supplement)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

► Productivity of food crops in select value chains inter-alia: (Metric ton, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	--	--	--	--
Date	--	--	--	--

▲ (iii) Palm oil (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	3.00	3.00	3.00	15.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▲ (ii) Rice (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)



	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1.80	1.80	1.80	3.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▲ (i) Cassava (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	8.00	8.00	8.00	20.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

Overall Comments

Intermediate Results Indicators

► Volume of food crops produced by the supported farmers organizations and agro-industrial farms, inter-alia: (Metric ton, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	--	--	--	--
Date	--	--	--	--

▲ (iii) Palm oil (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	100.00	100.00	100.00	750.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019



▴ (ii) Rice (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	20.00	20.00	20.00	37.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▴ (i) Cassava (Metric ton, Custom Breakdown)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	1000.00	1000.00	1000.00	3900.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2018

▴ Value of private investment flows in the targeted value chains facilitated by the project (Amount(USD), Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	1000.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

▴ Volume of food processed at technical food processing centers (Metric ton, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	5000.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019



► Rural roads rehabilitated to link production centers to markets (Kilometers, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	31-Dec-2018

► Number of enterprises in the SEZ (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

► Number of feasibility studies supported by the project which resulted in investments (Number, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	0.00	0.00	0.00	40.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	15-May-2014	30-Aug-2019

► Time to export (Doing Business) (Days, Custom)

	Baseline	Actual (Previous)	Actual (Current)	End Target
Value	44.00	44.00	44.00	7.00
Date	11-Jun-2013	15-May-2014	16-Dec-2014	30-Aug-2019

Overall Comments

Data on Financial Performance



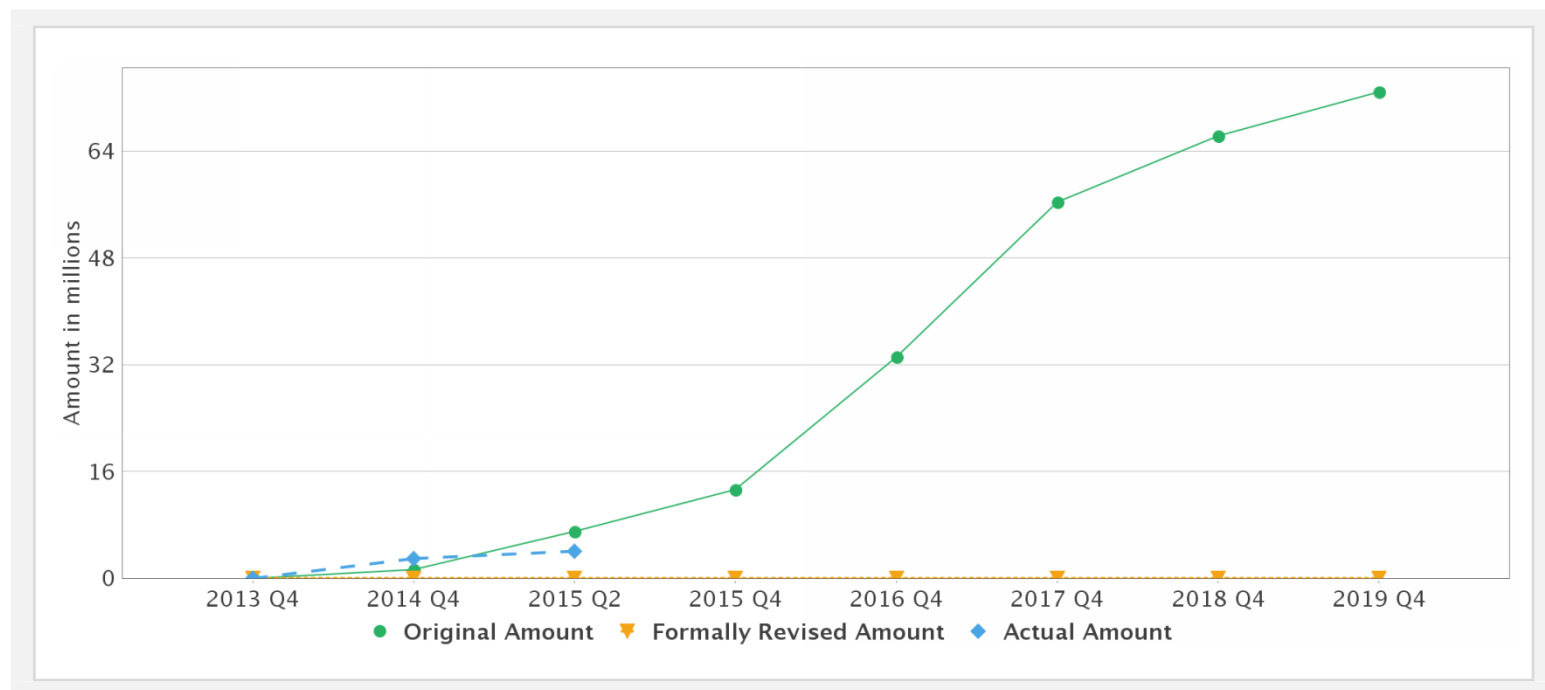
Disbursements (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Currency	Original	Revised	Cancelled	Disbursed	Undisbursed	Disbursed
P124720	IDA-H8600	Effective	XDR	72.90	72.90	0.00	4.00	68.90	5%
P124720	IDA-Q8050	Effective	USD	2.00	2.00	0.00	0.11	1.89	5%

Key Dates (by loan)

Project	Loan/Credit/TF	Status	Approval Date	Signing Date	Effectiveness Date	Orig. Closing Date	Rev. Closing Date
P124720	IDA-H8600	Effective	11-Jun-2013	22-Jul-2013	16-Oct-2013	30-Aug-2019	30-Aug-2019
P124720	IDA-Q8050	Effective	27-Feb-2012	27-Feb-2012	27-Feb-2012	31-Mar-2013	31-Mar-2013

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)



There are no related projects.
