AFCC2/RI-Central African Backbone SOP5 (P132821)

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Implementing Agencies: COPIREP

Key Dates

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Bank Approval Date:16-Jul-2014
Planned Mid Term Review Date:30-Jun-2017
Original Closing Date:31-Dec-2019

Effectiveness Date:22-Jan-2015
Actual Mid-Term Review Date:-Revised Closing Date:31-Dec-2019

Project Development Objectives

Project Development Objective (from Project Appraisal Document)

The development objective of the proposed project is to contribute to increase the geographical reach and usage of regional broadband infrastructure and to reduce the price of services so that more people in the DRC can access information and communication technology (ICT) services.

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

Components

Name

Public Disclosure Authorized

Component A - Emergence of an Inclusive Digital Economy: (Cost \$13.20 M)

Component B - Construction, Management and Commercialization of the CAB5 Infrastructure through a PPP Scheme:(Cost \$71.60 M)

Component C - Enabling Environment and Regulatory Effectiveness:(Cost \$7.30 M)

Overall Ratings

| Name | Previous Rating | Current Rating |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Progress towards achievement of PDO | Moderately Satisfactory | Moderately Satisfactory |
| Overall Implementation Progress (IP) | Moderately Unsatisfactory | Moderately Unsatisfactory |
| Overall Risk Rating | Substantial | Substantial |

Implementation Status and Key Decisions

The fulfillment of all disbursement conditions remains the project's top priority: (i) the recruitment of the main staff for SPN is now finalized, and the cooperation agreement is being drafted, but in order to be effective, the General Assembly has to be convened by the Minister of PORTFOLIO; (ii) the adoption of the new legal and regulatory framework by the Government and its presentation at the current Parliamentary session, is progressing well. The revised legal package should be presented to the Ministers Council by June 30; and (iii) the draft of the roadmap for SCPT restructuring and the launch of the preparatory work (technical studies and bidding documentation) for the rehabilitation of Moanda-Kinshasa link are underway: major studies have now been launched and consultants should deliver the reports within the coming months.

The recruitement of key staff (dated legal covenants in the Financing Agreement): SPN General Manager, Procurement specialist, Financial management specialist, Accounting and Assistant, and project focal points is now complete (last no-objection for the recruitment of SPM and RAF haven been provided May, 31, 2016).

The Investment Bank in charge of structuring the future PPP between the SPN and private operators in currently in the field. The official decision by the Government regarding the formal adoption of route for the Western, Eastern and Southern cluster was shared by COPIREP to the World bank team and Transaction adviser on February 19, 2016. The technical studies (surveys) on the Kinshasa Moanda axe have been finalized and the surveys for the East and South clusters will be initiated in July 2016. The consultants in charge of drafting the SCPT restructuring roadmap and those in charge of the rehabilitation of the Moanda Kinshasa are in the field and produced a first set of deliverables. The MINPTT, the SCPT, the Ministry of Portfolio are supporting the consultants working on these aspects obtain all information necessary to their outputs.

The Investment Bank has delivered to SOCOF and COPIREP (i) a draft technical specification/bidding documentation April 20, 2016 and (ii) a "PPP structuring option" report May 11, 2016. Both documents received comments from the ICT team and safeguards specialists from the World bank. SOCOF and COPIREP staff should rapidly organize the transition of project coordination from the COPIREP to the newly created company. All technical assistance and the preparation of the bidding process for the first link to be built, should be closely supervised.

Risks

Systematic Operations Risk-rating Tool

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

| Other | Substantial | Substantial |
|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Overall | Substantial | Substantial |

Results

Project Development Objective Indicators

▶ Impact on Telecom sector of World Bank Technical Assistance (composite score: 1- low impact to 5-high impact) (Number, Core)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 4.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

▶ Access to Internet Services (number of subscribers per 100 people) (Number, Core)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 2.00 | 3.23 | 3.23 | 20.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

▶ Retail Price of Internet Services (per Mbit/s per Month, in US\$) (Amount(USD), Core)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 2000.00 | 2000.00 | 2000.00 | 200.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

▶ Geographical reach of mobile services (Percentage, Custom)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 25.00 | 35.38 | 35.38 | 50.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

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| ▶ Direct project beneficiaries (Number, Core) | | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------------|------------------|-------------|--|--|
| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target | | |
| Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5000000.00 | | |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 | | |
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| | ▲ Female beneficiaries (Percentage, Core Supplement) | | | | | |
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| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target | | |

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Overall Comments

Value

Intermediate Results Indicators

| ▶ Length of Fiber Optic Network Built (km) (Kilometers, Core) | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|--|
| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target | |
| Value | 600.00 | 600.00 | 600.00 | 3400.00 | |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 | |

| ▶ Private Capital Mobilized (Amount(USD), Core) | | | | | |
|---|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|--|
| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target | |
| Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 2000000.00 | |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 | |

| Number of Manpowe | r Trained under the | Project (number | of people) | (Number, Co | ore) |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|------|
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------|------------|-------------|------|

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 100.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

▶ Impact on IT/ITES Sector of World Bank Technical Assistance (composite score: 1 # low impact to 5 # high impact) (Number, Core)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target | |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|--|
| Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 4.00 | |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 | |

▶ Number of MoUs reached between DRC and neighboring countries to implement of a regional interconnection Regime (Number, Custom)

| | Baseline | Actual (Previous) | Actual (Current) | End Target |
|-------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------|
| Value | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.00 |
| Date | 24-Feb-2014 | 30-Nov-2015 | 01-Jun-2016 | 14-Mar-2019 |

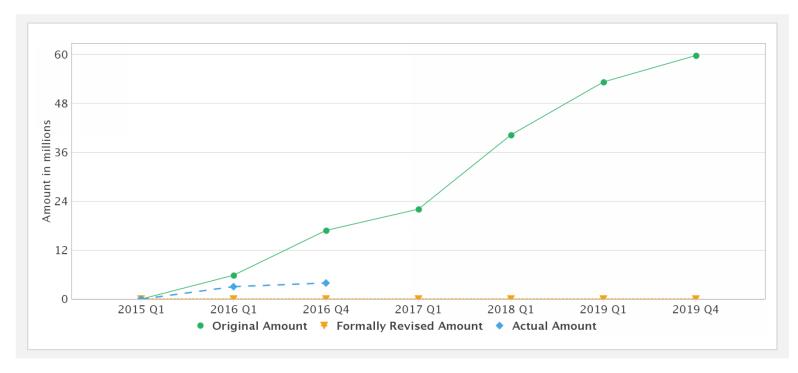
Overall Comments

Data on Financial Performance

Disbursements (by loan)

| Project | Loan/Credit/TF | Status | Currency | Original | Revised | Cancelled | Disbursed | Undisbursed | Disbu | ırsed |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|----------|-----------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|-------|
| P132821 | IDA-H9810 | Effective | XDR | 59.80 | 59.80 | 0.00 | 3.90 | 55.90 | | 7% |
| Key Dates (by Ioan) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Project | Loan/Credit/TF | Status | Approval Date | e Signir | ng Date I | Effectiveness [| Date Orig. | Closing Date | Rev. Closing Date | 3 |
| P132821 | IDA-H9810 | Effective | 16-Jul-2014 | 25-Jul | l-2014 2 | 22-Jan-2015 | 31-De | c-2019 | 31-Dec-2019 | |

Cumulative Disbursements



Restructuring History

There has been no restructuring to date.

Related Project(s)

There are no related projects.