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Quick Facts

Countries	Cook Islands
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2017-12-15
Borrower	Government of Cook Islands
Sectors	Communications
Investment Type(s)	Grant, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 15.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 25.00 million

Project Description

According to bank documents, the project will support the Cook Islands' share in the Manatua cable system (MCS), a regional submarine internet cable system that will link Samoa and French Polynesia (non-ADB member), with additional spurs and branching units to link Rarotonga and Aitutaki in the Cook Islands, and Niue (non-ADB member). ADB financing will cover (i) the design and construction of the spurs and branching units for Rarotonga and Aitutaki, and (ii) the Cook Islands' share in the design and construction of the MCS. The Government of New Zealand, represented by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, will provide grant cofinancing to the government for the project.

Investment Description

- Asian Development Bank (ADB)

Co-financing

Government of New Zealand Grant US$ 10 million

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