

 Early Warning System

ADB-58247-002

Samoa : Preparation of the Sun Pacific Solar Expansion Project



Quick Facts

Countries	Samoa
Financial Institutions	Asian Development Bank (ADB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-04-01
Borrower	Sun Pacific Energy Ltd
Sectors	Energy, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.23 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 0.23 million



Project Description

As stated by the ADB, the proposed small-scale technical assistance (SSTA) aims to provide the necessary resources to prepare the SAM: Sun Pacific Solar Expansion Project for ADB's proposed financing. The SSTA will fund due diligence expenses required by ADB. Due to the small size of the transaction, the transaction costs are disproportionately high and warrant the use of grant financing. High diligence costs are a common barrier to nonsovereign financing in the Pacific. The TA will cover costs for (i) due diligence for environmental and social safeguards (E&S), (ii) legal due diligence, and (iii) the lender's technical advisor (LTA). Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is providing funding for the SSTA through the Australian Climate Finance Partnership.



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Funds, in the amount of US\$ 225,000.00, will be provided by the Australian Climate Finance Partnership.



Private Actors Description

According to information provided by the ADB in [a related project disclosure](#), the company implementing the solar power project is Sun Pacific Energy Ltd, a company linked to individuals involved in corruption scandals, as exposed by the [ICIJ's Paradise Papers](#).



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Sun Pacific Energy Limited	Client	Energy



Contact Information

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information at: <https://www.adb.org/forms/request-information-form>

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Other Related Projects

- ADB-49339-001 Solar Power Development
- ADB-58247-001 Sun Pacific Solar Expansion Project