Early Warning System

AFDB-P-GA-F00-008

Gabon - Kinguele Aval Hydropower Project

Quick Facts

Countries	Gabon
Specific Location	Mbei River
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-06-30
Borrower	Asonha Energie S.A.
Sectors	Energy
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 23.20 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 196.34 million

Project Description

According to the bank website, the project entails the design, construction, and operation of Kinguélé Aval hydropower plant, with an estimated installed capacity of 34.1 MW and net annual gross output of 203 GWh. The project will be located c. 90 km from Libreville on the Mbei River, located next to the Monts de Cristal (Estuaire region, North - West of Gabon). Two hydro dams, built upstream in the Mbei Valley, are regulating the river namely Kinguélé Amount (57.6 MW), 10km upstream and Tchimbélé (68MW), 50km upstream. All electricity generated by the Project is expected to be sold to the Government of Gabon (“GoG”) on a Take or Pay basis.

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Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Gabon Power Company	Parent Company	-
-	-	-	-	Meridiam SAS	Parent Company	-

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Bank Documents

- Appraisal report (en)
- Appraisal report (fr)
- Environmental Study (en)
- Environmental Study (fr)
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