

 Early Warning System

AFDB-P-LR-AAD-002

Liberia - Scaling up the participation of SMEs in the secondary wood processing industry (Phase II)



Quick Facts

Countries	Liberia
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2023-06-30
Borrower	Government of Liberia
Sectors	Agriculture and Forestry, Industry and Trade, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 1.38 million
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Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1.58 million



Project Description

As stated by the AfDB, the goal of the project is to promote private sector participation in secondary wood processing for inclusive green growth, employment and economic diversification in the Republic of Liberia.

Secondary wood processing is identified by this project as good entry point for youth involvement because of the potentials for marketing and value chain development through the enhancement of the business and leadership skills of local furniture makers and carpenters. The project will help develop secondary processed wood products and will provide small equipment supports to user groups to successfully manage and market them. Given the current active level of youth participation in the rudimentary wood processing sector in Liberia, they will benefit greatly. The Project will address fragility and build resilience.

The project comprises two main components namely:

- (i) organization, support of local producers; and
- (ii) project management, coordination and support.

The project will ensure the feasibility of using electric tools to replace some of the hand tools through additional training and material supports to beneficiaries. At least 30 women will be empowered through receiving six months intensive vocational training on carpentry and furniture making skills at one of the shared demonstration centres to be established by the project. Other beneficiaries of the project will include students receiving intensive trainings at the shared demonstration centres as well as other carpenters and furniture makers from other parts of Liberia.



Early Warning System Project Analysis



People Affected By This Project



Investment Description

- African Development Bank (AFDB)



Private Actor Relationship

Private Actors Description



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Bank Documents

- [Appraisal report \(English\)](#)



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- AFDB-P-LR-AAD-001 SCALING UP THE PARTICIPATION OF SMES IN THE SECONDARY WOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY