

 Early Warning System

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RWANDA - Rwanda Energy Sector Results Based Financing (RBF II)



Quick Facts

Countries	Rwanda
Financial Institutions	African Development Bank (AFDB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2025-07-14
Borrower	Government of Rwanda
Sectors	Energy, Hydropower, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 202.79 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 202.79 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 304.19 million



Project Description

According to the AfDB, the program development objective is “to increase access to reliable, clean electricity and energy services including clean cooking”, which is of strategic relevance to both the AfDB, AIIB and Rwanda, in terms of sectoral and institutional context, gender mainstreaming, environmental considerations, and in mitigating the impacts of climate change.

The proposed program is a results-based financing (RBF) operation and is anchored on Rwanda’s Energy Sector Strategic Plan (ESSP II) 2024–2029. The program will support the country in carrying out its electrification program with the aim of improving the quality of life of residents and promoting businesses, thus contributing to economic growth and poverty reduction in Rwanda. The proposed RBF will be the Bank’s second in Rwanda’s energy sector following the first one that is a three (3) year program based on the Country’s ESSP 2018/19 – 2023/24 adjudged “Satisfactory”.

In summary, the first RBF has contributed to an additional 83,891 household grid connection, 354,145 off-grid household connections, 3,125 productive use connections, and at the level of outcomes contributed to increasing the national electricity access rate from 44% in 2018 to 78.9% in 2024 and reducing the power system losses from 21% to 18% during the same period.

The new RBF builds on the lessons of this first RBF and will continue to support the government in accelerating access targets. The proposed EUR 260.76 million RBF II will be implemented over a period of 2025/26 to 2029/30 fiscal years with three main Results Areas which will all contribute directly to the achievement of the ESSP-II.



Investment Description

- African Development Bank (AFDB)

According to the information provided by the AfDB, the AfDB is co-financing the programme with an investment of ~US\$ 100 million.



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Bank Documents

- [Environmental and Social Management Plan \(ESMP\)](#)
- [ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SYSTEM ASSESSMENT \(ESSA\)](#)
- [PROGRAM APPRAISAL REPORT FOR RESULTS BASED FINANCING OPERATIONS](#)
- [RAPPORT D'EVALUATION DU PROGRAMME DE FINANCEMENT AXE SUR LES RESULTATS](#)

Government Documents

- [ENERGY SECTOR STRATEGIC PLAN \(ESSP\) 2024-29 - Government of Rwanda](#)



Other Related Projects

- WB-P162671 Rwanda Energy Sector Development Policy Loan
- WB-P166458 Second Rwanda Energy Sector Development Policy Operation
- WB-P169040 Third Rwanda Energy Sector Development Policy Operation
- AIIB-001016 Rwanda: Rwanda Energy Results-Based Financing Program