

 Early Warning System

DFC-2021-STICHTINGCORDA

Stichting Cordaid



## Quick Facts

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| <b>Countries</b>               | Burkina Faso, Guinea, Mali, Sierra Leone  |
| <b>Financial Institutions</b>  | US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)                                      |
| <b>Status</b>                  | Active  |
| <b>Bank Risk Rating</b>        | C   |
| <b>Borrower</b>                | Stichting Cordaid (Guaranteed Party); Cordaid Investment Management B.V. (Facility Manager) |
| <b>Investment Type(s)</b>      | Loan  |
| <b>Investment Amount (USD)</b> | \$ 14.75 million  |
| <b>Loan Amount (USD)</b>       | \$ 14.75 million  |
| <b>Project Cost (USD)</b>      | \$ 32.50 million  |



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## Project Description

Loan portfolio guaranty to catalyze lending to small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and microfinance institutions (MFIs) in West Africa.

This transaction is expected to have a highly developmental impact on Sierra Leone, Mali, Burkina Faso and Guinea, which are all low-income countries, through support for MSMEs in the region where financing availability is limited. According to the SME Finance Forum, the MSME credit gap in these countries is over \$3 billion, with the gap in Burkina Faso the largest at \$1.6 billion. In addition to the MSME credit gap, there is limited domestic credit, with lending to the private sector only 16% of GDP on average for the four countries. For both Guinea and Burkina Faso, this figure is less than 10% of GDP.



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## Investment Description

- US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

Proposed DFC Loan/Guaranty \$14,750,000

All-Source Funding Total \$32,500,000



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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 |
|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| -               | -                    | -                      | -        | Cordaid Investment Management B.V. | Client               | -                      |
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## Contact Information

*No contacts available at the time of disclosure.*

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