

 Early Warning System

DFC-2023-EDPARTNERSAFR

Ed Partners Africa



Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Borrower	Ed Partners Africa Limited
Sectors	Education and Health, Finance
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 9.52 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 13.40 million



Project Description

As stated by the DFC, DFC will provide a local currency loan guarantee to a local financial institution in Kenya, which will in turn extend a loan denominated in Kenyan Shillings to Ed Partners Africa Limited to expand their portfolio of loans to affordable private schools in Kenya.

The demand for education in Kenya is increasing rapidly, with 65% of Kenya's population under 25. This demand for quality, affordable education outstrips the Government of Kenya's ability to provide it through the public educational system. Affordable private schools offer an alternative, but these schools are capital constrained and traditional banking institutions do not service this customer segment. The DFC-backed investment guaranty will allow EPA to grow its book of loans substantially over the next several years.



Early Warning System Project Analysis

Projects that will fund loans that may include construction at small educational facilities are screened as Category B projects under DFC's environmental and social policies.



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The guarantee will have US\$476,200 in currency appreciation cover.

Financial Intermediary

Financial Intermediary: A commercial bank or financial institution that receives funds from a development bank. A financial intermediary then lends these funds to their clients (private actors) in the form of loans, bonds, guarantees and equity shares. Financial intermediaries include insurance, pension and equity funds. The direct financial relationship is between the development bank and the financial intermediary.

- [Ed Partners Africa Limited](#) (Financial Intermediary)



Private Actors Description

As stated on the company's website, Ed Partners Africa is a non-banking financial institution that transforms the education sector through working with school owners of affordable schools by providing financial solutions.



Contact Information

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

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Bank Documents

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