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Quick Facts

Financial Institutions US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

Status Approved

Bank Risk Rating U

Borrower Solidarité Internationale Pour Le Développement et L'Investissement (S.I.D.I.)

Sectors Agriculture and Forestry, Finance, Technical Cooperation

Investment Type(s) Advisory Services, Grant

Investment Amount (USD)\$ 1.51 millionLoan Amount (USD)\$ 1.51 millionGrant Amount (USD)\$ 1.51 millionProject Cost (USD)\$ 3.76 million

Project Description

As stated by the DFC, the project consists of a five-year post-investment grant to FEFISOL II Fund's Technical Assistance Facility ("TAF") to fund projects for FEFISOL II investee companies to improve their social, environmental, core business performance.

TA activities will help investee MFIs and agricultural MSMEs and cooperatives: improve their financial and non-financial products and services for vulnerable population and small enterprise clients; improve the social performance and inclusiveness of agricultural MSMEs' and cooperatives' relationships with suppliers (typically smallholder farmers); implement projects and practices that mitigate environmental risk and enhance climate change mitigation or adaption; and strengthen overall business capacity and resilience.

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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.

• SIDI (Solidarité Internationale pour le Développement et l'Investissement) (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

As stated on the company's website, [since 2021] SIDI and Alterfin, have been actively working on the creation of FEFISOL II, which aims to be even more ambitious in terms of social and environmental performance. FEFISOL II will start operations in 2022. Eventually, it will be implemented in over 28 African countries, and should support 110 microfinance institutions or agricultural entities certified as fair trade and organic and sourcing from smallholders.

Contact Information

No project contacts provided at the time of disclosure.

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Bank Documents

• Project Disclosure [Original Source]

Other Related Projects

• DFC-2023-FONDSEUROPEEN Fonds Europeen de Financement Solidaire II (FEFISOL II) S.A., SICAV-RAIF