

 Early Warning System

DFC-2024-PEZESHAAFRICA

Pezesha Africa Limited TA



Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	Pezesha Africa Limited
Sectors	Finance, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Grant
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.50 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1.00 million



Project Description

According to the Bank's website, DFC is providing Pezesha with a pre-investment technical assistance grant over fifteen (15) months to scale up its credit scoring framework and better position Pezesha for a potential DFC debt investment. This TA will focus on the technical development of Pezesha's credit scoring framework, specifically for its embedded financing product. The TA will include data science capacity building, credit model development, tracking credit model performance, improving data management, and building a fraud detection and prevention model. As a result of the TA, Pezesha will be equipped with more accurate, efficient, and effective lending models – enabling Pezesha's leaders to make more sustainable lending decisions and better serve MSMEs in the region.



Investment Description

- US International Development Finance Corporation (DFC)

DFC Contribution: \$500,000 (a pre-investment technical assistance grant over fifteen (15) months)

All-Source Funding Total: \$1,000,000



Private Actors Description

Pezesha Africa Limited is a capital enablement lending infrastructure platform in sub-Saharan Africa focused on increasing access to finance for retail trade MSMEs by integrating financial services into existing supply chain verticals.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Pezesha Africa Limited	Client	-



Contact Information

No contacts available at the time of disclosure.

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

Unlike many other development finance institutions, DFC does not currently have an access to information policy.

Under the United States Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), DFC is obliged to respond to reasonably formulated requests for Agency records. However, DFC may apply exemptions from release to certain types of information and may charge fees in responding to requests. DFC has a designated FOIA officer who is trained in how to respond to requests and implement the law. You can learn more about filing a FOIA request at: <https://www.dfc.gov/foia>

ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION (DFC)

The Office of Accountability is an independent office that addresses complaints about environmental or social issues related to DFC-supported projects. The office provides communities an opportunity to have concerns independently reviewed and addressed. If you submit a complaint to the Office of Accountability, it may assist you by either seeking to address your problems by facilitating a problem solving dialogue between you and those implementing the project and/or investigating whether the DFC complied with its policies to prevent environmental, social, human rights, and labor harms.

You can find more information about the Office of Accountability at: <https://www.dfc.gov/who-we-are/office-accountability>



Bank Documents

- [Project Disclosure](#) [\[Original Source\]](#)