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Quick Facts

Countries	Armenia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	Amber Capital
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 5.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 30.00 million

Project Description

As stated by the EBRD, this project finances an investment in a private equity fund as part of the Small and Medium Enterprise Finance and Advice Facility, a joint initiative between EBRD and the European Union focused on private sector development in Armenia and, specifically, improving access to finance for Armenian small and medium-sized enterprises.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

The EBRD categorized the project risk as 'FI'.

Investment Description

- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

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.

- Amber Capital (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, the Fund will be managed by Amber Capital, a London-based investment firm, supported by a dedicated team in Armenia.

Contact Information

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ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF EBRD

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Bank Documents

- Project Summary Document (Armenian) [Original Source]