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Quick Facts

Countries	Tunisia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2017-09-22
Borrower	Government of Tunisia
Sectors	Transport
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 187.34 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 216.61 million

Project Description

A loan of up to EUR 160 million for the benefit of Societe Nationale des Chemins de Fer Tunisiens ("SNCFT") to finance a network upgrade programme to double and electrify the final section of the Suburban Southern coastal (Sahel) rail line between Moknine and Mahdia, and to upgrade and realign the Western-Southern rail line between Tunis and Kasserine as well as to purchase six Electric Multiple Units ("EMUs"). The objective of the project is to support the upgrade and renovation of the railway network in different parts of Tunisia to enhance the network's capacity, performance, reliability and safety. The Bank's engagement will entail the introduction of a Corporate Development Programme (CDP) to support SNCFT in its railway restructuring efforts and in adopting and implementing measures to improve its financial sustainability and operational efficiency. The Project will also contribute to lowering carbon emissions by; i) preventing a modal shift to road by creating additional capacity in the railway network to address the expected passenger and freight growth via infrastructure investments and acquisitions of EMU's; ii) shifting traffic from road to rail by optimising journey times; and iii) electrifying parts of the railway network which will directly contribute to energy savings. The planned investment in the signalling equipment will also improve rail safety and optimise operations.

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Bank Documents

• Project Information