Early Warning System

# EBRD-51413

## FIF - Universal Bank MSME Loan



## **Quick Facts**

Countries	Uzbekistan
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2022-10-04
Borrower	UNIVERSAL BANK JSC
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 2.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 2.00 million



## **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the project consists of the provision of a senior loan of up to US\$ 2 million equivalent in the local currency (MSME loan) in favour of the Joint Stock Commercial Bank "Universal Bank" to support private micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) in Uzbekistan. The loan will be accompanied by Technical Cooperation funds.

The MSME loan will allow Universal Bank to diversify its funding base and expand lending to private MSMEs with a focus on attracting new clients and reaching borrowers located outside the capital city of Tashkent.

## **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.

• UNIVERSAL BANK JSC (Financial Intermediary)



## **Contact Information**

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### **Bank Documents**

- Translation: FIF Universal Bank MSME Loan (Russian)
- Translation: FIF Universal Bank MSME Loan (Uzbek)