

 Early Warning System

EBRD-52538

FIF - Egypt WiB - Reefy Microfinance



Quick Facts

Countries	Egypt
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2021-09-21
Borrower	Reefy Microfinance Enterprise Services
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 109.27 million



Project Description

According to bank documents, the investment involves the provision of a senior unsecured loan of up to EGP 80 million in favour of Reefy Microfinance Enterprise Services ("Reefy") under the Women in Business ("WiB") programme to support women-led MSMEs. The Programme will be supported by donor funds from the European Union SEMED MSME Financial Inclusion Programme ("EU SEMED MSME FIP") for a portfolio-based, risk-sharing component.

The EBRD loan will support Reefy's lending activities and expand access to finance for underserved women-led micro-enterprises, particularly in remote regions.



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Private Actors Description

Founded in 2007, Reefy is Egypt's first licensed microfinance institution and one of the leading players in the Egyptian market. Operating through a wide and well-diversified network of 105 branches, Reefy is focused on untapped, low-income individuals located mostly in rural areas. As of end-June 2021, Reefy's outstanding portfolio stood at EGP 1.3 billion (ca. USD 83 million).



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