Early Warning System

EBRD-54365 DFF - PROCANEQ



# **Quick Facts**

Countries	Morocco			
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)			
Status	Approved			
Bank Risk Rating	В			
Voting Date	2024-02-27			
Borrower	PROCANEQ Marocco			
Sectors	Mining			
Investment Type(s)	Loan			
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 14.92 million			
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 33.67 million			



# **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the project consists of the provision of up to MAD 150m (ca. EUR 13.6m equivalent) senior loan in favour of PROCANEQ to finance the purchase of new equipment for the extraction and transport of phosphate ore into the processing facilities in 3 phosphate mines, owned and operated by Office Cherifien des Phosphates ("OCP"), one of the world's largest producers of phosphate. The new equipment to be financed by the Bank will be more energy efficient using less diesel, therefore achieving lower GHG emissions.

The project will support the Company's strategic plan, which aims to i) replace the existing equipment with more energy efficient one that is utilizing less diesel hence decreasing GHG emissions; ii) conduct exploration activities on three additional mines for OCP; iii) create more jobs in the sector by doubling its work force to more than 440 people; and iv) increase reporting quality and disclosures by adopting IFRS using the Bank's technical assistance.



# Early Warning System Project Analysis

Category B (2019) and considered high-medium risk. The project involves providing mining services (excavating and hauling waste rock and phosphate onsite to the crushing operations) and equipment to the owner/licence holder for several large currently operating (ie, brownfield) phosphate mines. The area around the mines has a long history of mining and mine rehabilitation in these areas is not completed to international standards. There are no complex operations performed on these sites, only the physical extraction, crushing, beneficiation and transportation of phosphate rock to offsite locations for further processing or shipping.

## **Investment Description**

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

EBRD Finance Summary

EUR 13,765,139.01

An up to MAD 150m (ca. EUR 13.6m equivalent) senior loan in favour of PROCANEQ.

Total Project Cost

### EUR 31,069,985.69

The total project cost is ca. EUR 30.4m to be financed along with BMCI (BNP Paribas Moroccan subsidiary) which are participating through a parallel loan for an equal amount up to ca. EUR 13.6m (MAD 150.0m). The remainder of ca. EUR 3.2m will be covered by the Company's own funds.



## **Private Actors Description**

PROCANEQ Maroc is a subsidiary of PROCAN Group, a company serving the mining industry. Established in 2016 and based in Morocco, PROCANEQ has been providing mining subcontracting services for OCP SA (a world leader in the mining industry with 40 Mt of phosphate rock produced) since 2018.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	PROCANEQ Maroc	Client	-

## **Contact Information**

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## **Bank Documents**

• Translation: DFF - PROCANEQ (Arabic)