Early Warning System

EBRD-54931 GCF GEFF Regional - Jordan - HBTF



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Quick Facts

Countries	Jordan
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2023-11-21
Borrower	Housing Bank for Trade and Finance
Sectors	Energy, Finance, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 11.25 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 11.25 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 15.00 million



Project Description

As stated by the EBRD, the project consists of the provision of a senior unsecured loan to Housing Bank for Trade and Finance under the GCF-GEFF Jordan Programme of up to USD 15 million, of which up to USD 11.25 million is expected to be provided by EBRD. Envisaged tenor for the facility is 5 years including 2 years grace period for principal repayment.

The EBRD loan will enable Housing Bank for Trade and Finance to support on-lending to eligible private sector sub-borrowers for investments in high performance technologies and services in a gender-responsive manner supporting green economy transition. Also, HBTF will commit to develop a transition plan, as defined in the EBRD's Paris alignment methodology for indirect finance, as well as improve their ESG practices and prepare for upcoming climate related requirements.

The project supports the Green TI quality by facilitating the direction of funding towards climate mitigation and adaptation technologies and services that will drive the transition to environmentally sustainable, low-carbon and climate-resilient economies. The project offers a combination of longer-term financing and bespoke technical cooperation into a package that promotes targeted investment in sustainable energy in Jordan in a gender-responsive way. The Project's use of proceeds may include solar sub-projects.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

The EBRD categorized the project risk as FI.

Investment Description

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

According to the EBRD, up to USD 3.75 million is expected to be co-financed by Green Climate Fund.

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.

• Housing Bank for Trade and Finance (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, the Housing Bank for Trade and Finance was established in 1973 as a public shareholding limited company headquartered in Amman. The bank is the second largest one in Jordan by total assets and is listed on the Amman Stock Exchange. HBTF is a universal bank offering banking services to retail, corporate, government and public sector and SME clients through its large branch network of 109 branches in Jordan and 57 branches distributed between the foreign branches and the subsidiaries.



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Bank Documents

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