

EBRD-55236
OSHEE Sustainability Project



# Early Warning System OSHEE Sustainability Project

# **Quick Facts**

Countries	Albania
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2025-01-29
Borrower	Operatori i Shperndarjes se Energjise Elektrike (OSHEE)
Sectors	Energy, Law and Government
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 89.62 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 89.62 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$89.62 million

## **Project Description**

As stated by the EBRD, the project consists of a sovereign-guaranteed loan of up to EUR 81.5 million to be provided to Operatori i Shperndarjes se Energjise Elektrike (OSHEE), the state-owned distribution operator and retail supplier of Albania. The loan proceeds themselves will be used to refinance and lengthen the tenors of short term sovereign guaranteed overdrafts which OSHEE has entered into with commercial banks on an emergency basis and require annual reapproval. The loans were necessary to fund electricity imports at the time of energy crises.

The project will enable the restructuring of OSHEE's balance sheet giving it greater control over its financial situation, and indirectly fund crucial green capital expenditures. The EBRD investment will be conditioned upon an agreed plan for a corporate program of reforms of which will have a significant impact on the development, management, and operational efficiency of OSHEE and by extension, the power sector in Albania.

TC engagements include: (i) aligning the Albanian Distribution Code, a key piece of secondary legislation for energy system operations, with international best practices and commitments under the Energy Community Treaty and EU accession process; (ii) improving long-term network investment planning to support RES penetration; (iii) establishing a Sector Skills Council in Energy to identify market skill needs and facilitate dialogue between companies, government, and education providers; and (iv) supporting the creation of an in-house Training Academy within OSHEE.

# **Investment Description**

• European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

# **Private Actors Description**

As stated by the EBRD, OSHEE is the 100% state-owned electricity distribution and retail supply company of Albania. OSHEE supplies all Albanian regulated customers and acts as the supplier of last resort for unregulated customers. OSHEE is responsible for the distribution network and acts as the off-taker of electricity produced by most of the IPPs in Albania.



Private Actor 1	Private Actor 1 Role	Private Actor 1 Sector	Relation	Private Actor 2	Private Actor 2 Role	Private Actor 2 Sector
-	-	-	-	Operatori i Shperndarjes se Energjise Elektrike (OSHEE)	Client	Energy



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# **Bank Documents**

• Translation: OSHEE Sustainability Project (Albanian)