

 Early Warning System

EBRD-55750

FIF - MSME - Bank of Georgia



Quick Facts

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| Countries | Georgia |
| Financial Institutions | European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) |
| Status | Approved |
| Bank Risk Rating | U |
| Voting Date | 2024-10-22 |
| Borrower | Bank of Georgia JSC |
| Sectors | Finance, Industry and Trade |
| Investment Type(s) | Loan |
| Investment Amount (USD) | \$ 100.00 million |
| Loan Amount (USD) | \$ 100.00 million |
| Project Cost (USD) | \$ 100.00 million |



Project Description

According to the EBRD, the project consists of a senior, unsecured, multicurrency loan to Bank of Georgia in the amount of up to USD 100 million equivalent under Financial Intermediaries Framework for on-lending to private micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) in Georgia.

The project will enhance access to finance for MSMEs, which are one of the key contributors to real economy, in Georgia. The loan will enable Bank of Georgia to increase the outreach and focus more on regional and peri-urban small and medium sized businesses promoting local currency lending and simplifying access to finance for new clients (largely to regional customers by means of digital channels).



Early Warning System Project Analysis

The EBRD categorized the project risk as FI.



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.

- [JSC Bank of Georgia](#) (Financial Intermediary) **is owned by** [Bank of Georgia Group PLC](#) (Parent Company)



Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, Bank of Georgia is one of the largest, systemically important universal banks, in Georgia, holding over one-third of the banking sector's assets. Bank of Georgia is fully owned by Bank of Georgia Group PLC, UK incorporated holding company included in the FTSE Small Cap and FTSE ALL-share Index Funds on London Stock Exchange.



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