Early Warning System

EBRD-56190

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Quick Facts

Countries	Armenia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-09-24
Borrower	ACBA Bank
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Guarantee
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 58.26 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 58.26 million

Project Description

As stated by the EBRD, the project consists of a Portfolio Risk Sharing ("PRS") in the form of an unfunded guarantee of up to EUR 50 million provided by the EBRD in favour of ACBA Bank. The guarantee will cover up to 50% of the credit risk for newly generated MSME loan portfolio originated by ACBA Bank.

The project will enable ACBA Bank to expand lending to underbanked MSMEs with a focus on rural areas. By sharing credit risk, the guarantee from EBRD will free ACBA's capacity for growth, contribute to closing the MSME financing gap, and promote inclusive regional economic development.

Early Warning System Project Analysis

The EBRD categorized the environmental and social risk of the project as 'FI'.



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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.

• ACBA BANK OJSC (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

As stated by the EBRD, ACBA Bank is one of the key players in Armenia's banking sector, ranking 3rd by total assets, gross loan portfolio, and deposits, with a market share of over 8% as of YE2024 in each segment. The bank operates through 65 branches in all regions across Armenia employing over 1800 employees.



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Bank Documents

• PSD Translation (Armenian)