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Quick Facts

Countries	Tunisia
Financial Institutions	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	A
Borrower	Ministry of Energy of Tunisia
Sectors	Energy, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services

Project Description

According to bank provided information, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (the "EBRD" or the "Bank") is providing technical support to the Ministry of Energy ('MoE' or the "Ministry') of Tunisia for the development of private renewable energies projects.

The Renewable Energy Law of 2015 envisages three potential options for project development from the private sector: (a) export projects, (b) self-consumption projects; and (c) local consumption projects (falling under the "authorisation regime" for smaller projects, and the "concession regime" for larger capacity).

The Bank has been actively engaged in a policy dialogue with the Tunisian authorities on different aspects of the renewable energy development in the country. The pre-qualification phase launched in May 2018 was followed by a qualification phase in order for the Ministry to select project developers (the "Developer"). For the solar projects, the Developers have been selected and are seeking for international financing to build and operate the renewable energy plant.

An Environmental and Social scoping study concluded that one of the solar projects - Tataouine - is a Category A project (as per EBRD Environmental and Social Policy -2019 version). This means that, for this project, a comprehensive Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) must be carried out, followed by its public disclosure. Information on this solar site and associated transmission line will be provided to Consultant in the Terms of Reference.

It has been agreed between the Bank and the Ministry to have the assistance of a consultant ("the Consultant") to carry out Environmental and Social Impact Assessments for the Tataouine project (the "Assignment").

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