### Early Warning System

# EIB-20160758 AFRICA TECHNOLOGY VENTURES



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#### **Quick Facts**

Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2018-03-15
Borrower	Africa Technology Ventures
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Equity, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 12.31 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 12.31 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 50.46 million



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#### **Project Description**

According to EIB website, the project consists of an equity participation in Africa Technology Ventures, a USD 50m venture capital fund focusing on high potential innovative technology-based startups in Sub-Saharan Africa. The fund aims to generate a substantial return on investment for its investors coupled with a significant developmental impact such as:

- · Businesses providing innovative and affordable solutions for the base of the pyramid
- · Potential to create quality jobs
- Provision of seed and early stage financing to African companies
- Technical support to innovative businesses

The overall environmental and social rating of the project is thereforeconsidered to be acceptable for the Bank's financing.

#### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

#### **Contact Information**

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

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http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints mechanism policy en.pdf

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#### **Bank Documents**

• Environmental and Social Data Sheet