### Early Warning System

# EIB-20170305 GAMBIA RENEWABLE ENERGY FRAMEWORK



#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Gambia
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	NATIONAL WATER AND ELECTRICITY COMPANY LTD
Sectors	Energy
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 41.32 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 100.34 million

#### **Project Description**

The project will consist of three components: (1) a grid-connected photovoltaic (PV) power plant with a total installed capacity of 10 MW including an associated battery energy storage Ssation (BESS), (2) a number of off-grid PV and BESS units for rural health clinics, secondary schools and food manufacturing and storage facilities and (3) power grid reinforcement investments to improve security of supply, reduce technical losses and increase its renewable energy take-up capacity. The development of solar PV energy in The Gambia contributes to EU and national targets for renewable energy generation and the Bank's renewable energy and energy efficiency and climate objectives. It is consistent with the objectives of the Cotonou Agreement, and in line with the Bank's policies of supporting renewable energy development and combating climate change. Improving energy infrastructure is consistent with the EU "Agenda for Change" policy, which identifies energy as an essential driver of economic growth. The project will contribute to reducing the existing electricity supply gap in The Gambia using sustainable solar energy resources.



#### **Investment Description**

• European Investment Bank (EIB)

#### **Contact Information**

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#### **Bank Documents**

• Project Information