Early Warning System

EIB-20180642 OFF-GRID SOLAR UGANDA ACCELERATION



Quick Facts

Countries	Uganda
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2019-11-26
Borrower	FENIX INTERNATIONAL UGANDA LTD
Sectors	Energy
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 12.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 25.00 million

Project Description

The project will finance Fenix International's deployment of solar home systems in Uganda. The operation is expected to have overall significant positive environmental and social impact by providing clean energy to households that are currently unserved or under-served by the grid and mostly reliant on polluting and dangerous energy sources. Limited negative environmental impacts could arise from health & safety issues related to the inappropriate handling of batteries (notably at the time of disposal) and disposal of old devices (e.g kerosene lanterns, candles, flashlights and generators for lighting). Considerable e-waste is only expected to arise from the operation in five to seven years and the promoter is looking into potential process of e-waste handling schemes in the country/in the region, to ensure the maximisation of the re-use of some components, whilst ensuring the appropriate handling of more polluting items like batteries.



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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

• Project Information