### Early Warning System

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#### **Quick Facts**

Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	U
Borrower	TLCOM CAPITAL LLP
Sectors	Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 30.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 150.00 million

#### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the operation consists of an equity participation of up to USD 30m in a closed-end venture capital fund investing in scalable start-ups across sectors leveraging digital technologies.

The fund aims to provide equity and quasi-equity to start-ups in sub-Saharan Africa and Egypt. The fund will support the growth of the private sector in Africa and the digitalisation of the African economy. The fund will support the achievement of a number of sustainable development goals (SDG) including SDG 8 (Decent work and economic growth), as well as SDG 9 (Industry, innovation and infrastructure).

Moreover, digital technologies are a powerful catalyst for socio-political, economic empowerment and participation of women and girls, given their potential to reduce economic and social disparities. As a result, this fund will also pursue SDG5-gender equality.

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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.

• TLCOM CAPITAL LLP (Financial Intermediary)

#### **Contact Information**

No contact information provided at the time of disclosure.

#### ACCESS TO INFORMATION

You can submit an information request for project information at: https://www.eib.org/en/infocentre/registers/request-form/request-form-default.htm

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