### Early Warning System

# EIB-20230077 CERUDEB UGANDA MICROLOAN



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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Uganda
Financial Institutions	European Investment Bank (EIB)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2023-12-19
Borrower	CENTENARY RURAL DEVELOPMENT BANK LTD
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 54.89 million

#### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the operation consists of a senior loan financing the microcredit portfolio of the Ugandan credit institution Centenary Rural Development Bank (CERUDEB).

The aim is to support investments and working capital needs of micro-entrepreneurs and micro-enterprises with less than 10 employees. A specific focus will be on businesses in rural areas owned, run or managed by women (50%) and to borrowers operating outside the country's capital Kampala.

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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.

• Centenary Rural Development Bank (CERUDEB) (Financial Intermediary)

#### **Private Actors Description**

Centenary Bank is a commercial bank in Uganda licensed by the Bank of Uganda, the central bank and national banking regulator.

Parent organization: Centenary Rural Development Group Limited

Headquarters: Kampala, Uganda

#### **Contact Information**

No contacts available 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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http://www.eib.org/attachments/strategies/complaints mechanism policy en.pdf

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#### **Bank Documents**

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#### Media

• Uganda: microbusinesses receive €100 million in support via EIB Global and Centenary Bank partnershi