## Early Warning System

FMO-52926 JSC Credo Bank



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## **Quick Facts**

Countries	Georgia
Financial Institutions	Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO)
Status	Completed
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2018-04-12
Borrower	JSC Credo Bank
Sectors	Finance
Ring Fence	No Restrictions
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 20.00 million

## **Project Description**

According to FMO's website, this project provides financing in Georgian Lari to JSC Credo Bank to support its institutional growth.

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### **Investment Description**

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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.

• JSC Credo Bank (Financial Intermediary)

### **Private Actor Relationship**

#### **FMO NV**

There is often limited information publicly available about what development banks are funding through financial intermediaries. In 2021, the Early Warning System partnered with Oxfam International to incorporate information on high-risk projects being funded by financial intermediaries receiving funding from the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and the Dutch Development Bank (FMO).

The information listed below describes the relationship between the different private actors linked to high-risk sectors and subprojects of IFC and FMO's financial intermediary investments and/or the financial intermediary's parent companies made from 2017 through 2020, including any associated ring fences.

The database, however, does not explicitly or implicitly imply that IFC or FMO have material exposure to or are contractually or legally accountable to the sub-projects financed by their financial intermediaries or the financial intermediary's parent companies. It only shows a seemingly financial relationship among the different private actors, the financial intermediaries, and IFC or FMO.

#### **Private Actors Description**

"JSC Credo Bank is a Georgian bank, which operates under a banking license since March 2017. The bank serves  $\sim 200$  thousand customers and has a loan portfolio of  $\sim USD$  198 m. It has a wide regional outreach via 59 branches and specialized products serving the needs of Georgian MSME businesses, most of them are active in agriculture and rural areas."

#### **Contact Information**

No contact information available at time of writing.

#### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

As part of FMO's ex-ante disclosure (disclosure of transactions before contracting), you can send requests or questions for additional information to: disclosure@fmo.nl

#### **ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF FMO**

Communities who believe they will be negatively affected by a project funded by the Dutch Development Bank (FMO) may be able to file a complaint with the Independent Complaints Mechanism, which is the joint independent accountability mechanism of the Dutch Development Bank (FMO) and the German Investment Corporation (KfW). A complaint can be filed in writing, by email, post, or online. The complaint can be filed in English or any other language of the complainant. The Independent Complaints Mechanism is comprised of a three-member Independent Expert Panel and it can provide either problem-solving, compliance review or both, in either order. Additional information about this accountability mechanism, including a guide and template for filing a complaint, can be found at: https://www.fmo.nl/independent-complaints-mechanism



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## **Other Related Projects**

- FMO-49498 JSC MICROFINANCE ORGANIZATION CREDO
- FMO-55168 JSC CREDO BANK
- FMO-57514 JSC CREDO BANK