## Early Warning System

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### **Quick Facts**

Financial Institutions	Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2017-12-14
Borrower	Financial Inclusion Vehicle
Sectors	Finance
Ring Fence	No Restrictions
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 20.00 million



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### **Project Description**

This fund will work under the name of FIVE. While FIVE is an abbreviation of Financial Inclusion Vehicle, it symbolically signals the ambition to increase the current financial inclusion in Africa fivefold (from 20% now to ideally 100%). The fund will focus on Tier II and III financial institutions throughout Africa. The fund is the successor of the Africinvest Financial Sector Limited (AFSL), that FMO (from Massif) and Africinvest launched in 2007.



#### **Investment Description**

• Netherlands Development Finance Company (FMO)

#### **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.

• Africinvest Financial Sector Holding Fund (AFSH) (Financial Intermediary) is owned by Africinvest (Parent Company)



#### **Private Actor Relationship**

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.



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#### **Contact Information**

#### **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.