

 Early Warning System

IADB-BL-T1201

Activating the Innovation Ecosystem in Belize via Academia



### Quick Facts

Countries	Belize
Financial Institutions	Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	U
Voting Date	2025-11-17
Borrower	Government of Belize
Sectors	Finance, Technical Cooperation
Investment Type(s)	Advisory Services
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 0.80 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 1.10 million



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### Project Description

According to the IADB, the objective of this project is to activate Belize's startup ecosystem through the creation of Belize's first startup community and incubator led by academia. The project will foster an entrepreneurship culture among youth, catalyze the first cohorts of startup founders, deploy early-stage pre-seed funding (ideation awards), and build an interconnected startup community.



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### Contact Information

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