

 Early Warning System

IADB-GY-L1059

Enhancing the National Quality Infrastructure for Economic  
Diversification and Trade Promotion



## Quick Facts

<b>Countries</b>	Guyana
<b>Financial Institutions</b>	Inter-American Development Bank (IADB)
<b>Status</b>	Active
<b>Bank Risk Rating</b>	B
<b>Voting Date</b>	2016-11-30
<b>Borrower</b>	Cooperative Republic of Guyana
<b>Sectors</b>	Industry and Trade
<b>Investment Type(s)</b>	Loan
<b>Investment Amount (USD)</b>	\$ 9.00 million
<b>Project Cost (USD)</b>	\$ 9.00 million



## Project Description

The program's objective is to support economic diversification and exports through the enhancement of the National Quality Infrastructure (NQI) and through a National Export and Investment Promotion Strategy. Specific objectives are: (i) to enhance the capacity of the NQI; (ii) to improve facilities for the NQI; and (iii) to enhance the capability of the Guyana Office for Investment for export and investment promotion.

The program's expected outcomes are: (i) increase in the average annual flow of value of exports of non-traditional products per exporter; (ii) increase in the average annual flow of volume of exports of non-traditional products per exporter; (iii) decrease in the testing costs for non-traditional exporters; and (iv) decrease in the rejection rates of fruits and vegetables exports to the US. The impact of the project is the increased participation of the non-traditional products in Guyana's export basket.

The program is classified as Category "B". The main direct impacts of the project relate to: (i) increased air pollution during construction (dust, toxic fumes from vehicular traffic and vehicular waste); (ii) noise; (iii) waste disposal; (iv) soil erosion; (v) contamination from chemical and biological waste, toxic waste from construction; (vi) chemical storage, increased flooding due to water diversion and increased run off; (vii) water pollution; (viii) ecological damage from route deviation, construction works and clearance; (ix) effects on fish life; (x) congestion and increased traffic during construction and (xi) damage to streets. During operation, the main impacts identified are: (i) increased noise; (ii) increased congestion; (iii) ground water pollution; (iv) increased conflicts with patrons using the same access road; and (v) increased pollution and indiscriminate waste disposal.



## Investment Description

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This operation is a specific investment loan, with a total cost of US\$9 million, to be disbursed over a period of 5.5 years. The IADB will finance US\$4.5 million with resources from the Fund for Special Operations and US\$4.5 million from resources of the Ordinary Capital.



## Contact Information

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## Bank Documents

- [Analysis of Project Cost and Economic Viability](#)
- [Donnor Coordination](#)
- [Draft Operating Manual](#)
- [Enhancing the National Quality Infrastructure for Economic Diversification and Trade Promotion](#) [Original Source]
- [Enhancing the National Quality Infrastructure for Economic Diversification and Trade Promotion LP](#) [Original Source]
- [Environmental and Social Analysis & Environmental and Social Management Plan](#) [Original Source]
- [Environmental and Social Management Report \(ESMR\)](#)
- [Environmental and Social Management Report \(ESMR\)](#)
- [Gaps and Needs Assessment for the State of the Art Laboratory](#)
- [Guyana National Quality Infrastructure. Ministries and Agencies](#) [Original Source]
- [Institutional Analysis/Personnel, Procedures other Aspects of Implementation Capacity \(Draft version\)](#)
- [Legal and Regulatory Assessment of GNQI](#) [Original Source]
- [Mejora de la Infraestructura Nacional de la Calidad para Promover la Diversificación Económica y el](#) [Original Source]
- [Monitoring and Evaluation Arrangements](#)
- [Pluriannual Execution Plan - Annual Operational Plan - Detailed Budget - Procurement Plan](#)
- [Pursuing Economic Diversification In Guyana. The Role Of The National Quality Infrastructure](#) [Original Source]
- [Recommendations for Improving the NQI in Guyana](#)
- [Safeguard Policy Filter \(SPF\) and Safeguard Screening Form \(SSF\)](#) [Original Source]
- [Schematic Representation of a National Quality Infrastructure](#) [Original Source]