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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Bahamas
Financial Institutions	IDB Invest (IDBI)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2025-03-18
Borrower	Sygnus Credit Investments Limited
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 10.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 10.00 million



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#### **Project Description**

As stated by the IDB Invest, the bank is considering a US\$10 million Working Capital ("WC") line to Sygnus Investment Bahamas Inc. with a 5-year tenor to finance Small and Medium-Sized Enterprise ("SME") receivables in The Bahamas. The loan will be 100% guaranteed by Sygnus Credit Investments Ltd. Initially the obligator will be the government of The Bahamas, but they plan to gradually onboard stable blue chip private sector companies.

This solution is anticipated to provide liquidity to SMEs in The Bahamas by purchasing short-term receivables with maturities ranging from three months to less than a year. Additionally, this WC line will deepen the local capital market by introducing new securities that offer liquidity to SMEs without them incurring additional debt. The IDB Invest will be providing funding as well as support to Sygnus in offering this flexible financing solution that traditional banks may be reluctant to support.

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#### **Investment Description**

• IDB Invest (IDBI)

#### **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.

• Sygnus Capital Ltd (Financial Intermediary)



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#### **Private Actors Description**

According to Sygnus website, Sygnus Credit Investments Limited is the Caribbean leader in Private Credit investments, dedicated to providing alternative financing to middle market firms, across the region

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#### **Bank Documents**

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