

 Early Warning System

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Acelen: Brazil's SAF Breakthrough for Greener Aviation



Quick Facts

Countries	Brazil
Specific Location	State of Bahia
Financial Institutions	IDB Invest (IDBI)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	A
Voting Date	2026-03-10
Borrower	Acelen Energia Renovavel SA
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 200.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 255.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 200.00 million



Project Description

Acelen Industrial will design, build and operate an integrated seed-to-fuel solution to produce Sustainable Aviation Fuel (SAF) and renewable diesel using Hydrotreated Esters and Fatty Acids (HEFA) technology. The new greenfield refinery, adjacent to the Mataripe Refinery in Bahia, aims to become Latin America's largest renewable facility, leveraging vegetable oils, used cooking oil, and tallow as feedstocks. With an estimated investment of US\$1.3 billion, the Project targets international markets and seeks to deliver biofuels at globally competitive costs, supporting Brazil's energy transition.



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