Early Warning System

IFC-25292 Ahli United Bank



Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Completed
Bank Risk Rating	FI
Voting Date	2006-11-16
Borrower	Ahli United Bank BSC
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Equity, Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 240.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	\$ 200.00 million

Project Description

According to bank website, the project consists of: 1) a tier 2 eligible convertible subordinated term loan to Ahli United Bank (AUB or the Bank), the third largest commercial bank in Bahrain; and 2) an equity investment in Delta International Bank of Egypt (DIB) which has recently been acquired by AUB and a consortium of GCC institutional investors.



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Equity \$40M

Loan \$200M

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.

• AHLI UNITED BANK B.S.C. (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

According to the IFC, the Ahli United Bank (AUB) is a bank holding company and a commercial bank, incorporated in the Kingdom of Bahrain and has banking subsidiaries and affiliates in Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Egypt, Iraq and the United Kingdom. The major shareholders of the Bank are:

- The Public Institution for Social Security of Kuwait;
- Tamdeen Investment Company; and
- The Civil and Military Pension Funds of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Their aggregate ownership stake in AUB is approximately 44%.

As of 30 September 2006, AUB had approximately \$19.1 billion in assets and \$1.8 billion in equity.

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Campaign Documents

- Banktrack: Ahli United Bank
- Uncalculated Risks Report Coalition for Human Rights in Development