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Quick Facts

Countries	Colombia
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2015-12-09
Borrower	BANCO DE LAS MICROFINANZAS BANCAMIA S.A.
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 20.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 20.00 million

Project Description

This project provides funds to BANCO DE LAS MICROFINANZAS BANCAMIA S.A., a Colombian bank specializing in financing to rural areas. Specifically, the funds will go towards micro-financing of small and medium sized enterprises in rural Colombia.

People Affected By This Project

The development impact of the project is expected to be high as IFC''s investment will enhance Bancamia''s ability to support productive micro-enterprises which will in turn stimulate growth, employment generation and poverty reduction. Additionally, the Bank will be able to increase its outreach and sustainability by incorporating new entrepreneurs into Colombia''s formal financial sector. Bancamia is committed to targeting the bottom of the pyramid, as evidenced by its low US$1,160 average loan size. With IFC''s support, the Bank should be able to directly reach more than 100,000 individual micro-entrepreneurs.

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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.

- Banco de las Microfinanzas Bancamía S.A. (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

Bancamia’s largest shareholder is Fundación Microfinanzas BBVA (“FMBBVA”) with a 47.6% equity stake. FMBBVA is a non-profit institution created in 2007 by the BBVA Group to promote sustainable and inclusive economic and social development through productive finance. It focuses its activity by supporting the integration and development of microfinance institutions in Latin America.

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