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Quick Facts

Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2016-08-05
Borrower	Latin American Agribusiness Development Corp S.a
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 50.00 million
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Project Description

According to IFC website, the investment consists of long-term loan to Latin American Agribusiness Development Corporation S.A. (LAAD) and its fully owned subsidiary LAAD Americas N.V. to support growth of its portfolio of medium and long-term loans to agribusiness SMEs in Latin America and the Caribbean. This project is expected to have development impact in the following areas:

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People Affected By This Project

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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.

- Latin American Agribusiness Development Corporation S.A. (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

Latin American Agribusiness Development Corporation S.A. (LAAD) , an IFC investee company and portfolio client, is a non-bank financial institution specialized in lending to agribusiness SMEs in LAC. LAAD was incorporated in 1969 by a number of major multinational companies engaged in the agribusiness supply chain and financial services with the goal to increase prosperity among rural communities in the region.

LAAD’s shareholders include Monsanto, Cargill, Rabobank, Bank of America, Deere & Company, DEG, Dole, Nestle, Goodyear, JP Morgan, Unilever and IFC, all with equal shares (8.33%).

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