Early Warning System

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#### **Quick Facts**

Countries	Singapore
Specific Location	Southeast Asia, India
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	FI
Voting Date	2017-04-04
Borrower	Seedplus Singapore L.P.
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 30.00 million

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#### **Project Description**

According to IFC website, this investment will fall under the IFC Startup Catalyst program, which supports entrepreneurs and early stage companies through investments in various seed stage structures. The expected development impacts are:

- i. Address funding gap for seed stage investments: Seeplus will support upto 20 early stage companies, helping to fill the void of early stage capital. More broadly, IFC would like to help build and support local, sustainable ecosystems for entrepreneurship and venture capital.
- ii. Job creation: Seedplus expects its graduated companies to create 100+ new jobs in the near term.
- iii. Support local entrepreneurship: Through its relatively long acceleration cycles, Seedplus with help support entrepreneurship by offering deep engagement on operations, access to networks and follow on funding through the Jungle Ventures platform



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#### **Investment Description**

• International Finance Corporation (IFC)

SeedPlus Singapore L.P. ("SeedPlus") is a Singapore based accelerator that is raising SGD 25 million to support 20 early stage companies in South East Asia and India, primarily in the ICT sector.

#### **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.

- Jungle Ventures (Financial Intermediary)
- SeedPlus Singapore Pte Ltd (Financial Intermediary)

#### **Private Actors Description**

SeedPlus will be managed by a full time operating team headed by Michael Smith of Jungle Ventures Pte Ltd.

Jungle Ventures is a Singapore based registered fund management company founded by Amit Anand and Anurag Srivastava in 2012.

#### **Contact Information**

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#### **ACCOUNTABILITY MECHANISM OF IFC**

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