Early Warning System

IFC-39771 Africa's Talking Ltd



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Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Proposed
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2017-10-11
Borrower	AFRICA'S TALKING LTD
Sectors	Communications
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 6.00 million

Project Description

Africa's Talking Ltd. ("the Company" or "AT") is a leading pan-African provider of Communication Platform as-a-Service (cPAAS) solutions focused on the fast-growing developer community in Africa. AT caters to the growing digitization of services and mobile-first trend in Africa by enabling high growth African companies to better communicate and engage with their customers. The Company provides a cloud-based platform that enables developers across Africa to integrate messaging, voice, and video communications capabilities into their apps via its self-provisioning, unified access, and easy-to-use application programming interface ("API). AT serves as a bridge between mobile network operators ("MNOs") and developers, offering access to locally relevant MNO services/means of communications such as SMS (bulk and premium), USSD, Short codes, Airtime, Voice, Real-Time Communication, Sender IDs, Keywords, and mobile money.

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Contact Information

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Bank Documents

• Project Information