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Quick Facts

Countries	Nigeria
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Approved
Bank Risk Rating	B
Voting Date	2020-05-28
Borrower	ZENITH BANK PLC
Sectors	Education and Health, Finance
Investment Type(s)	Loan
Investment Amount (USD)	$ 100.00 million
Loan Amount (USD)	$ 100.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	$ 100.00 million

Project Description

According to IFC webste, the proposed investment consists of a one-year, renewable unsecured senior loan of up to US$100 million to Zenith Bank Plc under the FIG COVID-19 Emergency Response Working Capital Solutions Envelope (WCS Envelope). The WCS Envelope is designed to provide funding to existing IFC client banks in emerging markets that will then extend new trade-related or working capital loans to companies whose cash flows have been disrupted by the global outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic. The WCS facility will support the Bank in increasing its lending to FMCG companies importing raw materials, petroleum products, goods and commodities traders, corporates and Small and Medium Enterprises.

This project or financing is part of IFC's COVID-19 response, as stated on the IFC website. You can find additional information at: https://www.ifc.org/wps/wcm/connect/news_ext_content/ifc_external_corporate_site/news+and+events/covid-19/covid-19-projects.

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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.

- Zenith Bank Plc (Financial Intermediary)

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- IFC-45971 WCS CR Zenith