Early Warning System

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Quick Facts

Countries	Kenya
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	C
Voting Date	2021-03-31
Borrower	ANTLER EAST AFRICA
Sectors	Finance
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 30.00 million

Project Description

IFC anticipates that the project would result in increased access to pre-seed stage equity and increased ability for startups to scale operations and receive follow-on funding in East Africa. Based on the Fund's track record, it is expected to train and provide networks to East African entrepreneurs, especially encouraging women founders, that will launch startups in the region. Beyond the Project, this investment has the potential to increase the competitiveness of the local start-up ecosystem and venture capital market in East Africa, especially Kenya, through demonstration and capacity building effects.

Investment Description

• International Finance Corporation (IFC)

According to the IFC, The Fund is seeking to raise US\$15 million in capital commitments. IFC has proposed an equity investment of up to US\$1.5 million (not to exceed 20% of total commitments) through Catalyst and US\$0.5 million in the through We-Fi.

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.

• Antler East Africa General Partner Limited (Financial Intermediary)

Private Actors Description

According to the IFC, Antler East Africa Fund I LP is structured as an exempted limited partnership domiciled in the Cayman Islands. The General Partner is Antler East Africa General Partner Limited, an exempted company incorporated with limited liability in the Cayman Islands.

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