Early Warning System

IFC-46313 ISC VP Fund IV



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## **Quick Facts**

Countries	Nigeria
Financial Institutions	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Status	Active
Bank Risk Rating	В
Voting Date	2022-01-25
Borrower	VENTURES PLATFORMS LIMITED
Sectors	Finance, Industry and Trade
Investment Type(s)	Equity
Investment Amount (USD)	\$ 5.00 million
Project Cost (USD)	\$ 30.00 million

#### **Project Description**

According to the Bank's website, the investment proposal is for up to US\$5 million in equity into Ventures Platform Fund IV, an African seed fund that is raising US\$30 million to make early-stage investments, primarily in Nigeria and the Rest of Africa. The Fund is focused on making early-stage investments (pre-seed to series A) in tech and tech-enabled startups targeting the mass market in Africa. The Fund had a first close in December 2021 of US\$14.9 million. The Fund will be supported by the Blended Finance Facility (BFF) of the IDA 19 IFCMIGA Private Sector Window (IDA PSW), created by the Word Bank Group to catalyze private sector investment in IDA countries, with a focus on fragile and conflict-affected states.



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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.

• Ventures Platform Limited (Financial Intermediary)

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